RHODE ISLAND

Estimated 2022 Population¹: 1,093,734

IMPACT

Economic Impact of Research²

- United for Medical Research reports that in Fiscal Year 2022, NIH funded awards totaling $249 million in Rhode Island, supporting 3,044 jobs and $506 million in economic activity.
- In FY 2022, the biopharmaceutical industry in Rhode Island supported 5,761 jobs and 665 businesses.

Impact of Cancer in Rhode Island³

- In 2023, an estimated 1,958,310 new cancer cases will be diagnosed in the United States. Of these cases, 7,030 will reside in Rhode Island.
- In 2023, an estimated 609,820 Americans will lose their lives to cancer, including 2,150 residents of Rhode Island.

NIH FUNDING

A Strong National Priority⁴

Funding for NIH has increased by $17 billion, or nearly 58 percent, from FY 2015 to FY 2023. Due to this strong support, NIH is able to support more groundbreaking science – but we can’t afford to stop now.

We are advocating for $50.924 billion in FY 2024 appropriations for the NIH.

The Biomedical Research and Development Price Index (BRDPI) measures inflation in the cost of biomedical research. The BRDPI line in the chart above shows the level of NIH funding by year had it kept up with this measure.

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Legorreta Cancer Center at Brown University

The mission of Legorreta Cancer Center is to build world-class cancer research programs that bring basic science discoveries; interdisciplinary research; and innovative therapeutic, disease intervention, and cancer prevention clinical trials to patients in Rhode Island. The center takes a broad-spectrum approach, from working to understand how cancer develops, grows, and metastasizes, to developing new therapeutics for patients in a personalized way that addresses their needs ranging from risk through survivorship. The cancer center focuses on malignancies that are more prevalent in Rhode Island, such as bladder, breast, and lung cancer.

Sources: ¹U.S. Census Bureau; ²United for Medical Research; ³American Cancer Society; ⁴American Association for Cancer Research