



# NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND CLINICAL & TRANSLATIONAL RESEARCH NETWORK

*Health Equity through Innovative Research*

## NNE-CTR Pilot Project Program Call for Proposals is Currently Open

We are pleased to announce that our [Pilot Project Research Award Applications](#) are now open. Letters of Intent are due September 26, 2022 at 5pm.

The mission of the NNE-CTR, developed collaboratively by Co-PIs Clifford Rosen, M.D., MaineHealth, and Gary Stein, Ph.D., University of Vermont Larner College of Medicine with the NNE-CTR leadership team, is to support clinical and translational investigation that addresses regional health and healthcare challenges. The NNE-CTR infrastructure develops and sustains initiatives in rural health and health care in the IDeA states of Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont. Our NNE-CTR consists of 7 Cores that are committed to the immediate and long range goals of health equity by developing novel strategies to improve the health, health literacy and delivery of health care to Northern New England communities.

Our Pilot Projects are designed to encourage and incentivize new collaborations and multidisciplinary partnerships between laboratory scientists, physician investigators, and rural practitioners initiating clinical and translational research that includes health services, outcomes, quality of care, and implementation science. We provide funding and professional support for clinical and translational research, from project development through completion, for NNE-CTR members. **Preference will be given to grants related to health challenges including Cancer, Cardiovascular Disease and its associated diseases (obesity and diabetes), chronic disease, COVID-19 impacts, substance use disorders, and other research addressing health equity and health care disparities in our predominantly rural Northern New England communities.** Pilot projects that partner the NNE-CTR with the NNE-Practice Based Research Network Coop (PBRN) and INBRE programs will be considered.

For guidance and support in developing a basic, translational or clinical pilot project, contact us for assistance in identifying collaborators to reinforce your initiative and for assistance in developing a competitive and compliant proposal. Our contact information is below.

Maine: [Dr. Joseph Nadeau](#)

Vermont: [Dr. Janet Stein](#)

Visit our [website](#) to learn more about the NNE-CTR Pilot Project Program expectations, eligibility criteria and the grants that we have awarded over the past 5 years. We appreciate your interest in this NNE-CTR funding opportunity and look forward to supporting the development of your proposal.

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