

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF NURSING RESEARCH

2022–2026 STRATEGIC PLAN

MISSION: Lead nursing research to solve pressing health challenges and inform practice and policy—optimizing health and advancing health equity into the future.

RESEARCH LENSES

Health Equity



Reduce and ultimately eliminate the systemic and structural inequities that place some at an unfair, unjust, and avoidable disadvantage in attaining their full health potential.

Social Determinants of Health



Identify effective approaches to improve health and quality of life by addressing the conditions in which people are born, live, learn, work, play, and age.

Population and Community Health



Address critical health challenges at a macro level that persistently affect groups of people with shared characteristics.

Prevention and Health Promotion



Prevent disease and promote health through the continuum of prevention—from primordial to tertiary.

Systems and Models of Care



Address clinical, organizational, and policy challenges through new systems and models of care.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES FOR RESEARCH

NINR will prioritize research that:



Tackles today's pressing health challenges and stimulates discoveries to prepare for, prevent, or address tomorrow's challenges.



Discovers solutions across clinical, community, and policy settings to optimize health for individuals, families, communities, and populations.



Advances equity by removing structural barriers from research, cultivating diversity in perspectives and ideas, and fostering inclusion and accessibility in designing, conducting, and participating in research.



Is innovative, develops or applies the most rigorous methods, and has the potential for the greatest impact on health.

NINR developed a research framework to achieve its mission that focuses on the context of people's lives and living conditions.

