

CWRU School of Medicine

Strategic Plan: Clinical and Translational Research

Objectives	Measurable Results
Expand education about clinical and translational research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Build medical research education modules for all CWRU faculty, including regulatory and compliance requirements.
Develop new strategies and plan timely dissemination of validated translational research findings from project inception to magnify impact.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase multi-site academic and community collaborations. • Create harmonized standard operating procedures and best practices. • Improve access to health interventions that aim to promote health equity.
Establish research equity, accessibility, diversity, and inclusion program, for clinical and translational science, with local, regional, national and international impact	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Build database of resources to support health equity research, including faculty, community organizations, publications, funding opportunities, etc. • Validate and implement locally established models for research equity, accessibility, diversity, and inclusion into a regional, national, or international public health or research environment.
Train a robust diverse workforce at all levels (including community liaisons) who represent the community and academia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish high impact educational and training programs of all disciplines and levels, both in clinical and community settings with new pathways to recruit a diverse research workforce. • Promote early research experience and mentoring for diverse students with special backgrounds. • Attract pipeline (HS, UG) students into healthcare and research careers.
Develop innovative methods for clinical and translational research to increase the participation of all CWRU community, including underrepresented minorities (URM) in pivotal national clinical trials.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Streamline regulatory and operations to facilitate participation of CWRU faculty in clinical trials. • Improve research evaluation of outcomes in clinical practice. • Increase state and federal funding to demonstrate scalable implementation across the country.
Establish and expand a community engagement network for clinical and translational research to position CWRU as the preferred and trusted academic collaborator with local and national community organizations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expand a robust community and stakeholder engagement network that spans existing and emerging priority research communities by 4 entities per year. • Create brand awareness for the CWRU CTSI as a trusted source for scientific information and opportunities. • Focus investments on resources for researchers, clinicians, and community members/organizations to co-create and co-lead projects/studies, compete for research funding, disseminate and implement findings.

