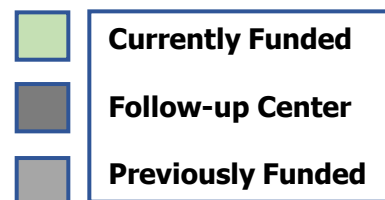
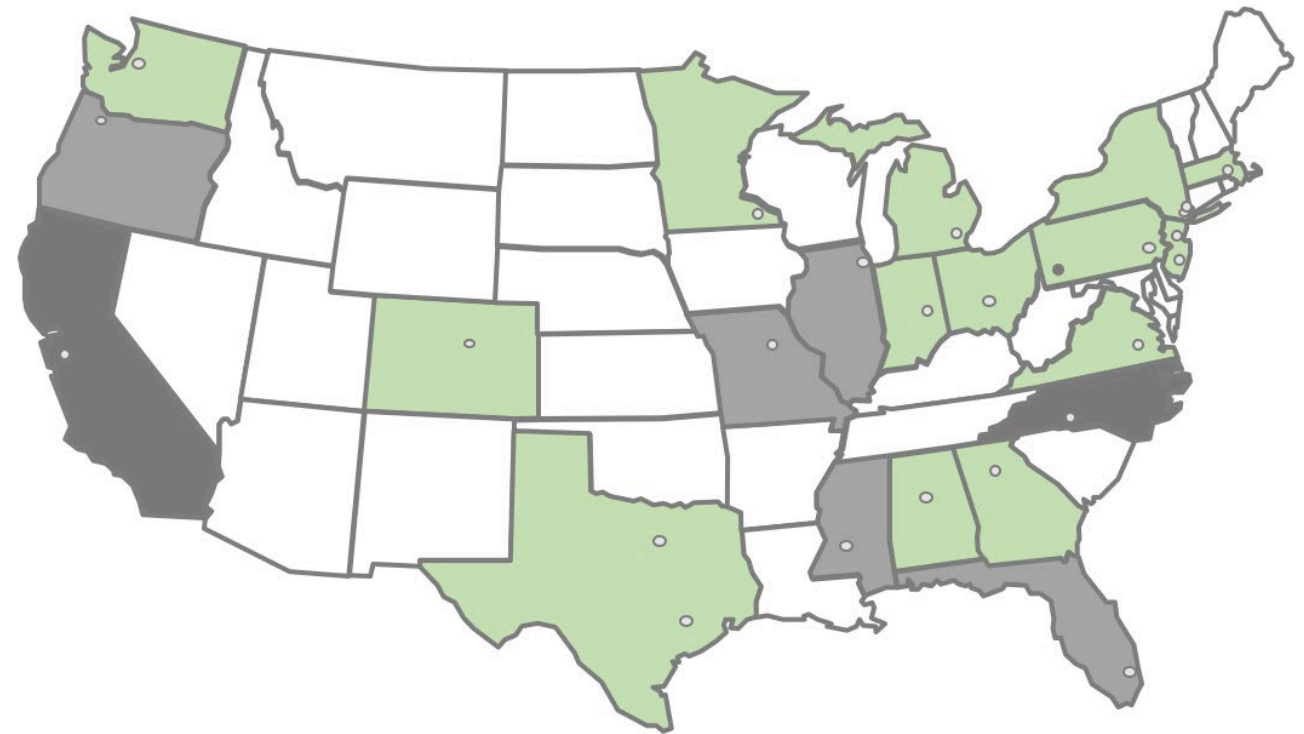


TBI Model Systems Funding

March 25-26, 2025

National Institute on Disability Independent Living and Rehabilitation Research TBI Model Systems Program

- Started in 1987
- 16 sites
- Funded by NIDILLR, ACL, DHHS
- Recompeted every 5 years
- **National database:**
 - >30,000 participants up to 30+ years post-TBI
 - Only non-proprietary longitudinal data on what happens to Americans with brain injury across the lifespan
 - Shaped our current knowledge on TBI long-term outcomes
 - Funding has not increased since 2007: Total funding 7.2 million/year (450K/site). Previously 17 centers.
- **Collaborative research** to improve rehabilitation outcomes
 - Large multi-site studies that advance the evidence to improve TBI rehabilitation outcomes.
 - Funding has decreased over the years. Currently: 1 site funded at \$900K/year. Previously: 2 sites funded at \$900K/year.



TBI Model Systems Funding Asks

- We are asking our members of Congress to support increased funding for the TBI Model Systems program by 6.3 million annually. To support, ...

- Increasing the per-center support by \$200,000 annually and increasing the number of competitively funded centers from 16 to 18 (an additional \$4.5M annually)

and

- Increasing the number of multi-center TBI Model Systems Collaborative Research projects from one to three, each with a budget of \$900,000 annually (an additional \$1.8M annually)

TBI Model Systems Funding

- TBI Model Systems Centers:
 - 16 rehabilitation centers funded on a 5-year cycle through grants administered by the National Institute on Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation Research (NIDILRR) in the Administration for Community Living at the Department of Health and Human Services.
 - Conduct **original research** on TBI rehabilitation, helping the field provide evidence-based rehabilitation.
 - Enroll and follow individuals with TBI over their lifetime via **national database**:
 - Individuals with moderate-severe TBI who receive rehabilitation
 - > 20,000 participants up to 30+ years post TBI
 - Only source of non-proprietary longitudinal data on what happens to people with brain injury across the lifespan.
 - This long-term research is critical to identifying and designing future improvements in brain injury treatment.
 - A major finding has been showing that TBI is a chronic condition that requires lifetime management.
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16 Current TBI Model Systems

- Alabama (UAB)
- Colorado (Craig Hospital)
- Georgia (Shepherd Center)
- Indiana (Indiana University School of Medicine/Rehabilitation Hospital of Indiana)
- Massachusetts (Spaulding Rehabilitation)
- Michigan (Rehabilitation Institute of Michigan)
- Minnesota (Mayo Clinic)
- New Jersey (Kessler)
- New York (Mount Sinai & NYU)
- Ohio (Ohio State University)
- Pennsylvania (Moss Rehabilitation, Jefferson University)
- Texas (Baylor Scott & White Institute for Rehabilitation & TIRR Memorial Hermann)
- Virginia (Shelving Arms Institute, Virginia Commonwealth University)
- Washington (University of Washington)

Former TBI Model Systems

- California (Santa Clara Valley 1987 – 2012)
- Florida (University of Miami 2012 – 2017)
- Illinois (Shirley Ryan Ability Lab 2008 – 2012)
- Mississippi (Methodist Rehabilitation Center 1998 – 2007)
- Missouri (University of Missouri) – 1998 - 2002
- New Jersey (Hackensack Meridian JFK Johnson Rehabilitation Institute 2002-2022)
- North Carolina (Atrium Health Carolinas Rehabilitation 1998 - 2012)
- Oregon (Oregon Health and Science University 1998 - 2002)
- Pennsylvania (UPMC 1998 – 2002; 2012 - 2017)