

Careers at NINDS

The National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS) seeks bright, creative, and visionary scientists, engineers, and physicians.



Apply to join a highly interactive group of public servants with expertise in all areas of neuroscience to conceive and develop large-scale funding initiatives, organize workshops, and interact with leading neuroscientists.

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For any questions regarding NINDS vacancies, email NINDS Recruitment (nindsrecruitment@mail.nih.gov).

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Program Director

Direct research programs and perform a variety of activities related to overseeing large grant programs, including program planning and development, program management, solicitation, and evaluation.

Experience overseeing an independent research program or grant portfolio is highly recommended.

- [Epilepsy](#)
- [Neural Engineering](#)
- [Neurodevelopment](#)
- [Pain](#)
- [Parkinson's disease](#)
- [Stroke and cerebrovascular biology](#)
- [Vascular contributions to cognitive impairment and dementia \(VCID\)](#)

Division of Translational Research

Director

- [Biologics Therapeutic Development](#)

Scientific Program Manager

- [Biologics](#)

Helping to End Addiction Long-termSM (HEAL) Initiative

Program Director

- [Pain](#)

Scientific Program Manager

- [Pre-clinical screening platform for pain](#)
- [Pain therapeutic development program](#)

Program Manager

Experience managing highly complex and cross-cutting projects is recommended.

Bioinformatics / Data Science

[Data Science Program Manager](#) to NINDS staff and leadership regarding NIH-wide data science policies and the challenges they present; provide recommendations and develop and implement methods to advance and evaluate NINDS data science efforts.

Health Program Specialist

Support, plan, coordinate, and screen proposed research projects relevant to various subject-matter areas (summarized below); assist with the design and detailed analysis of scientific and/or administrative factors affecting research program priorities and performance; evaluate grants programs; and provide guidance to grantees on research objectives, requirements, and compliance.

Experience leading or working on multiple projects, teams and/or timelines is recommended.

- [Neural Environment Cluster](#) – neuroimmunology, neurovirology, neural vascular biology, the blood brain barrier, stroke, multiple sclerosis, brain tumors, neuro-AIDS, neuroinfectious diseases, prion diseases, and CNS infections.
- [Neurodegeneration, Dementia, & Repeat Expansion Disorders Cluster](#) – shared mechanisms of nerve cell death that contribute to many on juvenile- and adult-onset neurodegenerative and neuromuscular diseases; Alzheimer's Disease and Alzheimer's Disease-Related Dementias; NIH NeuroBioBank.
- [Neurogenetics Cluster](#) – genetics, genomics, and molecular basis of normal neural development, glial biology, and neurological diseases; rare neurological, neurodevelopmental, metabolic, and neuromuscular disorders; gene expression, proteomics, and metabolomics; gene therapy.
- [Repair & Plasticity Cluster](#) – spinal cord and traumatic brain injury and functional recovery; nervous system plasticity; stem cell biology; neural prosthesis, neural engineering, and other means of nervous system repair.
- [Systems & Cognitive Neuroscience](#) - learning, memory, attention, language, cognition, sensation, and perception; motor control and complex behaviors; homeostatic regulation of cyclic and appetitive behaviors such as sleep, activity, feeding, and drinking; mechanisms, perception, and alleviation of pain.

- [Pediatric Neuroscience](#) - develops new clinical science initiatives, patient safety monitoring, maintains the scientific integrity of clinical trials, expertise in statistical and clinical trial design to the Institute and to clinical investigators.

Health Science Policy Analyst

Assist in the planning, analyzing, and evaluating of Institute projects, and help communicate about these projects to internal and external stakeholders.

- [Office of Science Policy & Planning \(OSPP\)](#): contact Paul Scott scott@ninds.nih.gov