Standard Language for Researchers

Please use this language when describing the Office of Community Engaged Research (OCER) and the multicultural minority research support efforts.

Multicultural Minority Research

The Mayo Clinic Center for Clinical and Translational Science’s Office for Community Engaged Research (OCER) provides support to clinical and translational investigators seeking guidance on all aspects of conducting clinical research in and with multicultural communities. Specific assistance is offered in understanding cultural factors, developing relationships, providing cultural information and advice on protocol designs and review of grant sections related to minority recruitment for clinical research and clinical training grants. In addition, the OCER assists investigators in making informed decisions about how to address recruitment and retention of diverse populations in their studies by providing advice on the mechanics, barriers, and opportunities of recruiting and retaining diverse populations, guiding investigators on selecting the appropriate communities or multicultural groups for their study, advising and assisting with recruitment strategies specific to the communities and linking and consulting with cultural advisors.

Community-Engaged Research at Mayo Clinic

Through the Office of Community Engaged Research, the Mayo Clinic Center for Clinical and Translational Science has a comprehensive framework to accomplish the goals of fostering collaborative research partnerships and engaging public trust and involvement in clinical and translational research. Its focus is to empower the community to prevent and manage disease, which promotes health in the broadest sense. Resources available include consultations to assist investigators in devising effective and appropriate recruitment strategies for minority populations, a Research Volunteer Resource that serves as the institutional triage point for all inquiries regarding research participation, a collaboration with Mayo Health System to form a Practice-Based Provider Network and ethics consultation services.

Investigators are encouraged to contact the Office of Community Engaged Research for more specific needs and to learn how its professionals can help you in your research.