Marshfield Clinic Research Institute

Marshfield Clinic Research Institute, a division of Marshfield Clinic, was founded in 1959 and today is the largest private medical research institute in Wisconsin.

Mission
We enrich lives through discovery, translation and application of scientific knowledge that improves health and well-being.

Vision
We will innovate and define the future of health care for generations. Our research will be the source of innovation for the future of disease and injury prevention and integrated health care locally and globally.

Values
• Discovery – Will be the foundation of the overall activities of the research group.
• Translation – A major effort will be made to apply our discoveries in the health care setting.
• Dissemination – Results of work done will be distributed broadly on a timely basis.
• Teamwork – Will be a hallmark of the research group.
• Excellence – Will be the standard for all research and program activities.
• Collaboration – Partnerships both internal and external will be sought and encouraged.

About Us
Marshfield Clinic Research Institute is pioneering health care research – discovering new knowledge and innovative approaches to better meet the needs of patients at Marshfield Clinic Health System and around the world. The ever-changing health care environment presents challenges. We are embarking on a unique journey focused around integration and translation of medical research to improve health care. The Research Institute is comprised of nationally-recognized centers in the fields of cancer research, epidemiology and population health, precision medicine, oral and systemic health, agricultural safety and health and conducts clinical trials in several medical sub-specialty areas. These centers are supported by shared research support offices: Integrated Research and Development Laboratory, Office of Research Computing and Analytics and Office of Research Support Services.

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Structure And Leadership
The Research Institute has an oversight board of 13 members that serves an oversight and advisory function. The Research Institute is led by its executive director, research center directors and an administrative leadership team.

Facts And Figures
• As one of the largest private research facilities embedded within a regional, integrated health care system, the Research Institute is uniquely positioned to conduct innovative, translational and applied research in a learning health system environment serving a large underserved rural segment of Wisconsin.
• More than 30 Ph.D. and M.D. scientists, 200 other staff and approximately 150 physicians and other health care professionals through the Health System are engaged in medical research. This lead to more than $28 million in externally-funded projects in 2018.
• Conducted more than 800 research projects in 2018. Our research projects have access to a CDC-certified biosafety level 3 lab that performs more than 14,000 lab tests every year, a dedicated Clinical Research Unit to conduct trials and an electronic health record containing coded diagnoses data back to 1960, with other coded data and digital documents back to the mid-1980s.
• We take pride in the communities we serve, which is why our staff actively participates in activities that bring science to schools, colleges and the communities we serve. This includes actively participating in community outreach activities such as clothing and food drives.

Our Research Centers
Cancer Care and Research Center
We support and oversee clinical trials of cancer treatments conducted at the Marshfield Clinic Health System cancer centers.
In 2018 there were 180 active clinical trials, 2,323 patients screened and 59 enrolled into clinical trials (Wisconsin NCI Community Oncology Research Program, WiNCORP).

Center for Clinical Epidemiology & Population Health
Our researchers study cancer care and outcomes, vaccine safety and effectiveness, viral respiratory infections, obesity, diabetes, cardiovascular diseases, and other health issues.

For example, our Rural Engagement in Primary Care for Optimizing Weight Reduction Study has pending results that show about 90 percent of more than 400 enrolled patients lost body weight over the first six months of counseling.

Center for Oral and Systemic Health
Our vision is to be the global leader in discovery, innovation and translation of cutting-edge research, education and best practices to bridge the chasm between medicine and dentistry.
Our Oral Health Integrated Care Model Initiative that took place in two primary care clinics resulted in nearly 5,000 new oral examinations for patients with diabetes, along with over 600 referrals to see a dentist.

Center for Precision Medicine Research
We focus on research on the structure of the human genome and the hunt for genes that influence human health disorders.
The Personalized Medicine Research Program had 18,229 unique DNA samples directly genotyped in 2018 for more than 25 million genetic markers.

Clinical Research Center
We support and oversee clinical trials of drugs, devices and biotechnology conducted at the Marshfield campus and at more than 40 regional centers.
We are currently participating in 45 active trials. To date in 2018, we’ve enrolled more than 450 subjects in 21 different studies, and have conducted more than 1,400 study visits.

Integrated Research & Development Laboratory
Supports research projects being undertaken within Marshfield Clinic Health System, as well as with external collaborators in industry and academia.

National Farm Medicine Center
Our mission is to improve the health and wellness of rural and agricultural communities through research, education and outreach. Farm Medicine is also home to the peer-reviewed Journal of Agromedicine.
Established in 1981, Farm Medicine is the largest continuously-operating center devoted to agricultural health and safety in the U.S.