



Join a team of leading health experts to advance your research and address the most pressing concerns in children's health. That is the promise of NCCOR.

WELCOME TO NCCOR

Frequently Asked Questions

WHAT IS NCCOR?

The National Collaborative on Childhood Obesity Research (NCCOR) brings together four of the nation's leading public health institutions to help shape the field of childhood obesity research. Member organizations include the:



Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)



National Institutes of Health (NIH)



Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF)



U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)

WHAT DOES NCCOR DO?

NCCOR offers opportunities for sustained collaboration among partner agencies working to improve childhood obesity research and surveillance. NCCOR helps members:

BUILD enduring professional relationships among colleagues with similar research interests

MANAGE projects and reach common goals

COMBINE funding to make the most of available resources

SHARE insights and expertise among other members

IDENTIFY emerging topics in childhood obesity research

COMMUNICATE new findings and recommendations with researchers and practitioners in the field

SUPPORT the next generation of childhood obesity researchers through student-focused outreach



HOW DOES THE NCCOR COORDINATING CENTER SUPPORT MEMBERS?

The NCCOR Coordinating Center offers management, communication, and scientific support to help members with their NCCOR-related projects. By conducting a complete suite of support services, the Coordinating Center helps members focus on their expertise—advancing childhood obesity research. Currently managed by FHI 360, the Coordinating Center provides:

- NCCOR meeting scheduling and facilitation
- Expertise on marketing and communication to promote NCCOR products
- Assistance with the planning and implementation of NCCOR tools, resources, publications, and presentations
- Tailored teams of expert consultants to assist with literature reviews, white papers, and scientific workshops

HOW CAN I JOIN NCCOR?

Employees from the CDC, NIH, RWJF, and USDA may join NCCOR. Contact the NCCOR Coordinating Center at nccor@fhi360.org to be added to our member list.

HOW CAN I BE INVOLVED?

Below is a list of regular NCCOR offerings.



MEMBER MEETINGS

In-person, day-long interactive learning and planning sessions that occur three times a year. Expert speakers present emerging childhood obesity research and members discuss how NCCOR can contribute to new research areas.



MEMBER CALLS

One-hour videoconferences that feature NCCOR members and other expert speakers discussing current research, policies, and programs related to childhood obesity. Occurs monthly, except for months when a member meeting is scheduled.



WORKGROUP MEETINGS

Virtual with occasional in-person workshops to advance a collaborative project. Workgroup members choose how often and when to meet at the beginning of their project.

HOW DOES NCCOR DISSEMINATE INFORMATION?

NCCOR is well-recognized in the field of childhood obesity research and communicates with other scholars, practitioners, and policy makers through the following channels:



SCHOLARLY JOURNALS

NCCOR members have published more than 60 peer-reviewed publications, including in the *American Journal of Preventive Medicine*, *Childhood Obesity*, and the *Journal of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics*.



CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE

NCCOR projects are regularly featured at major academic and professional conferences, including the American Public Health Associations Annual meeting, ObesityWeek, and The International Society of Behavioral Nutrition and Physical Activity.



CONNECT & EXPLORE WEBINARS

NCCOR hosts regular webinars for the public on a range of topics related to childhood obesity.



NCCOR COMMUNICATION CHANNELS

The NCCOR Coordinating Center manages the program's website and social media channels. It also produces a monthly e-newsletter that highlights new tools and resources from NCCOR, funding opportunities, events, and new childhood obesity research.



NCCOR STUDENT HUB

In addition to the program's regular outreach, the NCCOR Student Hub and quarterly newsletter.



WHAT IS THE ROLE OF NCCOR WORKGROUPS?

NCCOR workgroups facilitate collaboration on a project related to NCCOR's core mission and goals. Workgroups have produced influential white papers, journal publications, toolkits, and resource databases. Contact the NCCOR Coordinating Center at nccor@fhi360.org to join an existing workgroup or start a new one. For more information about NCCOR projects, please visit www.nccor.org/projects.