

WHAT IS A PRACTICE-BASED RESEARCH NETWORK (PBRN)?

PBRNs are groups of clinical practices working together to answer population-based health care questions. PBRNs engage health care professionals and key stakeholders in quality assessment and quality improvement.

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the New Jersey PBRN is to improve population health and equity for all New Jerseyans through **practice-centered** research, education, and dialogue.

VISION

The New Jersey PBRN is an initiative led by the [Rutgers Institute for Health, Health Care Policy and Aging Research](#) to increase the presence of NJ clinical practices in academic research. By linking clinical practices with research scientists, our goal is to advance the implementation and dissemination of science. The Network includes Primary Care, Medical Specialties, and Surgical Specialties.

RESEARCH FOCUS

The NJ PBRN aims to facilitate **quality improvement**, **practice transformation**, and **linkages of clinical work to health policy** by leveraging research strengths in:

- Patient safety
- Healthy aging
- Behavioral health
- Care for patients with complex conditions
- COVID-19 and public health emergencies
- Social determinants of health

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

What's in it for your practice? The New Jersey PBRN provides infrastructure and curated resources to promote high-quality patient care by investing in practices, with opportunities to:

Improve Care for Your Patients	Expand Your Professional Connections
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explore important questions that are of value to you and your patients • Be eligible for incentive payments by participating in studies • Be involved in pilot studies that may lead to larger projects, new collaborations, and grant funding • Receive early access to findings to help you improve quality of care • Be among the first to translate the latest evidence-based innovations to your patients 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Receive continuing education credits for attending education events • Attend networking events with fellow New Jersey clinicians, researchers, community leaders, and policymakers • Be spotlighted on our website and newsletters • Consult with research experts • Publish in peer-reviewed journals • Serve in leadership roles

MEMBERSHIP EXPECTATIONS

Expectations include:

- Complete an annual practice survey
- Participate in relevant research projects and educational activities (with potential incentives)
- No fees

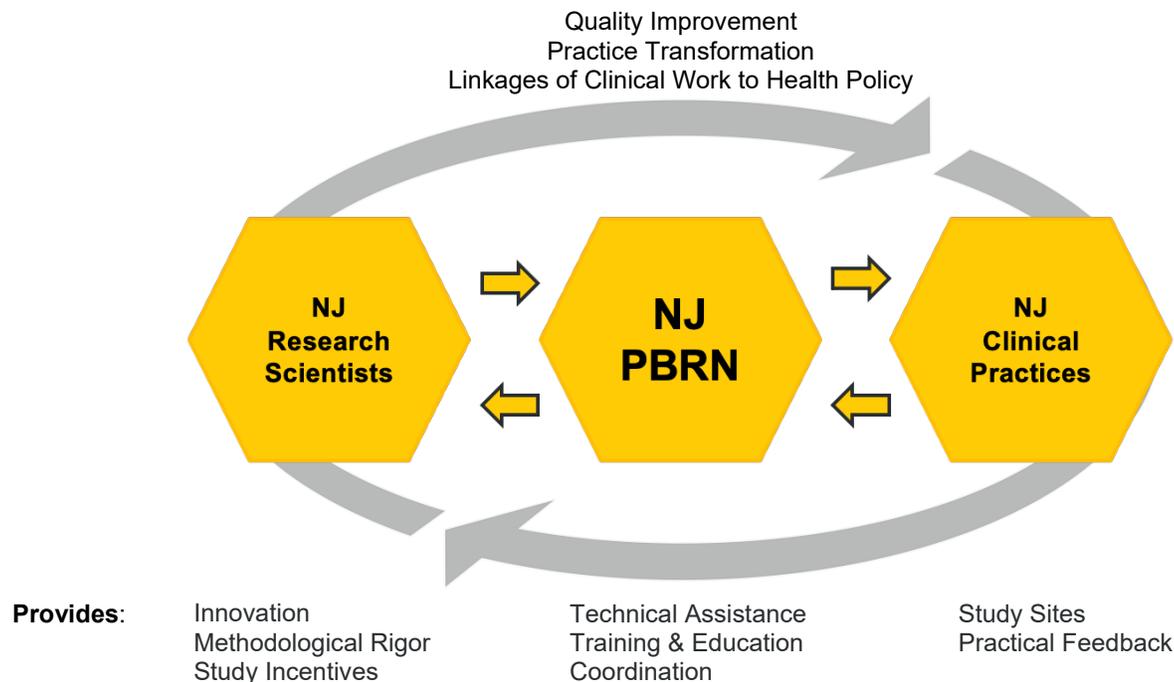
HOW TO JOIN

Visit our website <https://njpbrn.rutgers.edu/members> or email us at NJPBRN@ifh.rutgers.edu

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. What services does the NJ PBRN offer?

We provide an infrastructure to link clinical practices with research scientists. We provide technical assistance, training and education (with continuing education opportunities), and coordination. All members have a unique and important contribution to improving health care for all New Jerseyans.



2. Is this a Rutgers initiative?

Yes. The NJ PBRN an initiative of the Rutgers Institute for Health. We collaborate with clinical practices, providers, and research scientists across the state.

3. Who can join?

Clinical practices in New Jersey that provide primary care, medical specialty, or surgical specialty services.

4. How much does it cost to join?

Membership is free.

5. What types of research studies can I join?

Practice-based studies aim to bring research into the real-world setting. Some studies introduce an evidence-based innovation (e.g., a mindfulness therapy mobile app) to patients. Others help practices implement new tools (e.g., a social determinants of health screening survey). Upcoming studies through the NJ PBRN will range in scope and scale, depend on external funding, and respond to the needs of practices.

6. How do I sign up?

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