

# CURE Puts Pennsylvanians in a Healthier State

## How CURE Came To Be



### NOVEMBER 1998

In the largest civil settlement in U.S. history, U.S. tobacco companies agreed to pay \$206 billion to 46 states and the District of Columbia to cover some of the health care costs of smoking-related illness.

### JUNE 2001

Governor Tom Ridge signed the Tobacco Settlement Act in law, which authorized the establishment of CURE. PA has been one of the few states to use the settlement money appropriately—to reduce tobacco use. Other states have used the money to pave streets or build factories.

### What is CURE?

#### COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSAL RESEARCH ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM

CURE supports broad-based health research to discover new scientific knowledge that can be applied to improve the health of all Pennsylvanians.



#### CURE FUELS RESEARCH

Biomedical  
Clinical  
Health Services



#### CURE FUNDS PROJECTS

Smoking cessation  
Cancer research  
Big data infrastructure  
Diabetes research  
Infectious disease research



#### CURE WELCOMES GRANT SEEKERS

Universities  
Hospitals  
Non-Profits

## The bottom line?

CURE funding benefits the health of Pennsylvanians and boosts the economy

CURE supports **39 institutions** across Pennsylvania

**85+ patents** filed for commercial use

More than **1,000 healthcare jobs** created

More than **\$1 billion** leveraged in additional research funding

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