

Legislative History of NCI training authorities:

The National Cancer Institute Act of 1937 [PL 75-244 SEC 2(d)]

- This Act established the authority for the Surgeon General through the National Cancer Institute “*to provide training and instruction in technical matters relating to the diagnosis and treatment of cancer.*”

The National Cancer Act of 1971 [PL 92-218 SEC 407(b)(7)]

- This Act amended the Public Health Service Act to strengthen the National Cancer Institute of Health in order to more effectively carry out the national effort against cancer.
- The expanded authorities of the NCI and NIH include the ability to “*support appropriate manpower programs of training in fundamental sciences and clinical disciplines to provide an expanded and continuing manpower base from which to select investigators, physicians, and allied health professions personnel, for participation in clinical and basic research and treatment programs relating to cancer, including where appropriate the use of training stipends, fellowships, and career awards.*”

Our (NCI) Current Authorities as Authorized in the Public Health Service Act 2001:

- It is within the authority of all the Directors of the National Research Institutes to “*conduct and support research training for which fellowship support is not provided under [National Research Service Awards] and which is not a residency training of physicians or other health professionals.*” [42 USC § 284(c)]
- The Director of the Institute, in carrying out the National Cancer Program, “*shall, in consultation with the advisory council for the Institute, support appropriate programs of education and training (including continuing education and laboratory and clinical research training).*” [42 USC § 285a-2(2)(b)(3)]

The Authorities of the NIH Director as authorized by the Public Health Service Act 2001:

- The Secretary, acting through the Director of NIH, “*may conduct and support research training for which fellowship support is not provided for by the National Research Service Awards; and which does not consist of residency training of physicians or other health professionals.*” [42 USC § 282(b)(13)]
- The Secretary shall provide National Research Service Awards for “*training at the National Institutes of Health [...] of individuals to undertake biomedical, behavioral and health services research.*” [42 USC § 288(a)(1)(A)(ii)]