Our performance in 2017: Growth & new opportunities

2017 marked a unique milestone for Kaiser Permanente Washington Health Research Institute, as we became the eighth research center in Kaiser Permanente’s national research network.

Our acquisition by Kaiser Permanente brought us a fresh opportunity to contribute to the Kaiser Permanente Washington operating plan, which calls for the infusion of research into care delivery to help meet the region’s strategic goals. As part of this work, we proudly launched our new Learning Health System (LHS) Program—an effort that Kaiser Permanente Washington is funding to help ensure the organization fully leverages the Institute’s research capabilities to continually provide better care for our members.

For the second year in a row, our total operating budget topped $50 million, with revenues from grants and contracts holding steady. Our faculty grew to 69 members in 2017—collectively publishing more than 400 peer-reviewed papers, leading nearly 300 active research projects, and submitting more than 200 new proposals. All this while achieving a significantly higher success rate among our National Institutes of Health (NIH) proposals than we did in 2016. In 2018, we look forward to continued growth, with active recruitment of new faculty underway.

2017 Revenue by sponsor (% of total)

- 19% Other (includes industry and $420K from KPWA for Learning Health System)
- 49% National Institutes of Health (NIH)
- 16% Non-NIH federal sources
- 10% Foundations
- 6% Kaiser Permanente Washington
Financial statement

Revenue
Federal grant and contract revenue $33.2 million
Other sponsored revenue $15.0 million
Kaiser Permanente support $3.0 million
Total revenues $51.2 million

Expense
Personnel expenses $27.7 million
Other expenses $23.5 million
Total expenses $51.2 million

Net gain/loss $0

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