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State OKs spending on medical research

Gov. John Kasich announced yesterday the approval of \$2.27 million in funding to further develop medical research as an economic engine for Ohio.

The money was approved on Wednesday by the Industrial Technology and Enterprise Advisory Council, which is part of the state's Development Services Agency.

Case Western Reserve University will receive nearly \$2 million to lead the Ohio Clinical Trials Collaborative, which also includes Ohio State University and the University of Cincinnati, according to a news release.

University officials have expressed interest in launching a statewide clinical-trials platform that could give patients quicker access to innovative treatments and give Ohio an edge in attracting clinical studies.

The council also approved:

- \$187,450 for BioEnterprise to coordinate the "Choose Ohio" program, which is meant to connect Ohio's medical innovators with customers such as Ohio medical systems. The idea is to increase sales of homegrown biomedical products nationally.
- \$100,000 for BioOhio to support collaboration between Ohio's six pediatric hospitals.

Columbus-area participants in the state's "medical corridor" project include Battelle, Nationwide Children's Hospital, OhioHealth and Ohio State University's Wexner Medical Center.

Read full article here: <http://www.dispatch.com/content/stories/local/2013/04/19/state-approves-funding-for-medical-research.html>



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\$2 Million Approved for Medical Corridor

The Industrial Technology and Enterprise Advisory Council approved \$2.27 million to spur collaboration in Ohio's major medical community.

The money will be used to further Gov. John Kasich's Medical Corridor initiative, which aims to align the strengths of Ohio's leading medical research institutions to help make Ohio a destination for medical research, services and health care companies.

"I'm proud of the work we've done to bring Case Western Reserve University, the Ohio State University and the University of Cincinnati together to build larger pools of patients for clinical trials, which will allow work to be done that could solve some of the world's most vexing health care problems," Gov. Kasich said in a release.

"This collaboration could lead to unprecedented medical breakthroughs, attracting companies and innovators to Ohio. At the end of the day, this means healthier Ohioans and more jobs."

The Medical Corridor promotes Ohio's medical research assets and leverages them for job growth. It includes four main pillars: Choose Ohio, Ohio Clinical Trials Collaborative, Pediatrics, and the Medical Cloud Initiative.

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