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NIDDK Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic

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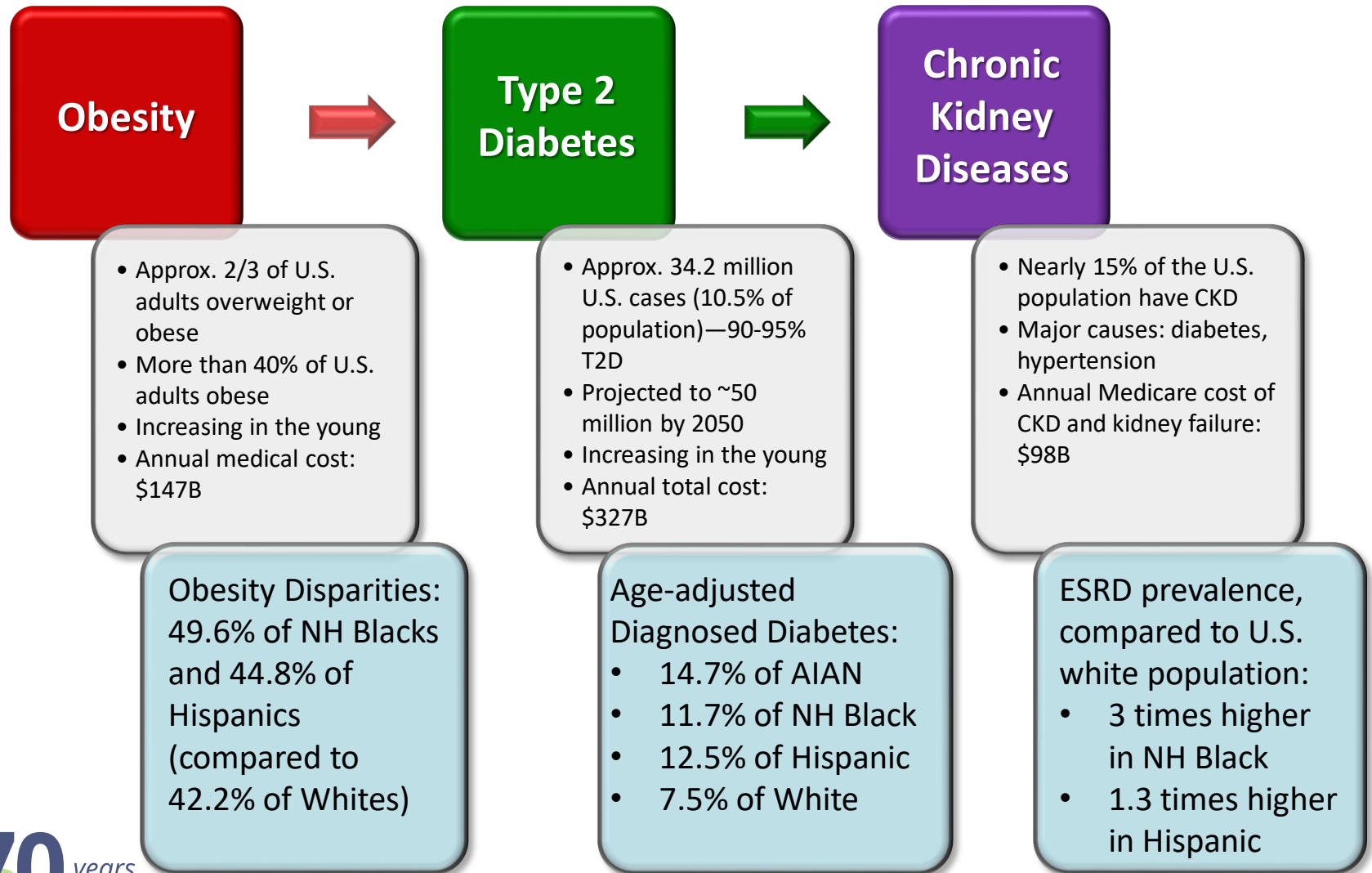
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Research Mission of NIDDK



NIDDK's Integrated Research Programs



COVID-19 Touches Everything

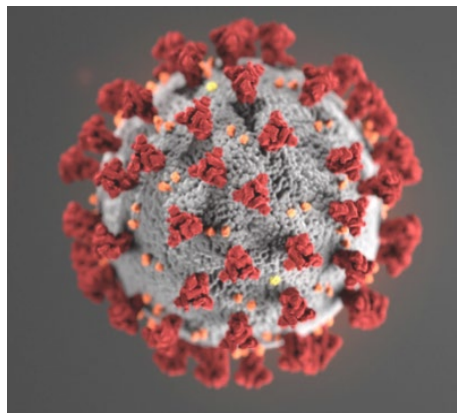


Vulnerable populations
-Preexisting conditions
-Health disparities



NIDDK research programs—including clinical trials--on hold/delayed for safety reasons

Workforce—grantees, applicants, junior investigators, women, underrepresented scientists



Costs of research increased--restart, PPE, modified strategies and protocols, etc

New research opportunities lost



Need to Keep Eye on the Ball(s)...



NIDDK Mission

KIDNEY
OBESITY
DIGESTIVE AND
LIVER
ENDOCRINE
HEMATOLOGIC

HEALTH DISPARITIES

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NIDDK's Multifaceted Response

- COVID-19-related research
- Reducing burden on the research workforce
- Building long-term trust that will be critical for vaccine implementation
 - E.g: Kidney Precision Medicine Project (KPMP) Community Engagement: Patient Participant Voices



- NIDDK COVID-19 webpage:
<https://www.niddk.nih.gov/research-funding/research-programs/niddk-covid-19-research-response>
- All while still keeping an “eye on the ball” of the NIDDK mission

