This resource list is a follow-up to the *Policy-Relevant Research and Engaging with Government Workshop*, co-hosted by the NC Office of Strategic Partnerships (OSP) and the Duke Clinical and Translational Science Institute Community Engaged Research Initiative on March 3rd, 2022 (recording). Speakers highlighted the importance of policy-relevant research, discussed strategies for engaging with government, and shared specific tips for successful government research partnerships. OSP compiled this list as a starting place for people and organizations interested in policy-relevant research and engaging with government. This is not a comprehensive list of resources for this topic. If you have questions or for more information, email partnerships@osbm.nc.gov.

**Resources**

*Descriptions are paraphrased and come directly from corresponding links as of July 2022.*

**NC Office of Strategic Partnerships (OSP)**
OSP develops, launches, and enhances partnerships between state government and North Carolina’s research and philanthropic sectors. This includes elevating the State’s internal capacity to use and generate evidence in its policy and programmatic functions. We do this in part by building and enhancing collaborative networks of public officials, research partners, and partners from philanthropy and the nonprofit sector broadly.

**North Carolina Project Portal**
OSP developed the NC Project Portal to share opportunities for partnering with state agencies on their research needs and to provide researchers and others with a way to express interest in pursuing those opportunities. New research partnership opportunities are added regularly.

**Monthly Connect and Highlights**
The Monthly Connect is a series of virtual panel discussions (open to anyone) on topics relevant to partnerships among state government, research institutions including colleges/universities, philanthropy, and others. Past Monthly Connect recordings related to policy-relevant research and engaging with government include

- NC Office of Strategic Partnerships Information and Resources
- The North Carolina Project Portal: A Tool for Developing and Launching Partnerships with Government
- State Agency Strategic Plans and Their Relevance Across Sectors
- Communicating Research and Policy: Learning from Experts at Government and University Organizations

*Highlights* is OSP’s monthly e-news. [Subscribe](mailto:partnerships@osbm.nc.gov) to Monthly Connect invites and *Highlights*.

**Agency Contacts for Partnerships and Research**
Designated state agency "points of entry" contacts for college/university and other research institution representatives who may need an initial contact for potential partnerships such as research projects, grant proposals, and other collaborative opportunities.

**North Carolina Boards and Commissions**
More than 350 statewide boards and commissions provide North Carolinians a way to engage in public service and help make decisions that shape the quality of life in NC. People can apply to serve on a board or commission or recommend someone else for service on the North Carolina Boards and Commissions website (linked above).