

***How can the BERD Center help me?***

The BERD Center helps investigators to develop research grants and protocols. Our team of biostatisticians and epidemiologists can work with you to ensure your grant proposal is as strong and complete as possible.

***How much do BERD Center services cost?***

If you are a member of the Tufts CTSI community and you are in the process of applying for a grant or submitting a protocol, many BERD Center services are paid for by Tufts CTSI and are offered at no cost to you.

***What types of services are offered?***

Pre-award services are designed to strengthen your grant proposal. These may include:

- Help to develop your specific aims and hypotheses
- Study design
- Power and sample size calculations
- Analysis and randomization plans
- Pilot data analyses for inclusion in grants.

The BERD Center can also provide guidance on how to improve grant proposals that were not selected for funding.

***What are Drop-in Sessions?***

The BERD Center offers free Drop-In Sessions every Wednesday at 8:00am (35 Kneeland 9th floor) where epidemiologists and biostatisticians are available to answer questions. These sessions are similar to office hours you may have experienced as a student.

***Who can I contact for more information about support for my project?***

Please submit a [service request](#) and we will get in touch with you.