

The background of the entire page is a close-up photograph of several clear plastic petri dishes. Each dish contains a thin layer of liquid, which has solidified into various shapes and colors. Most of the cultures are a vibrant green, while one prominent culture in the lower-left quadrant is a bright blue. The lighting is bright and even, highlighting the textures and colors of the biological samples.

# LIFE SCIENCES

## WHAT THEY MEAN FOR INDIANA

From disease prevention to crime fighting, and everything in between, the importance of life sciences to our general well-being cannot be overstated. The industry's effect on Indiana's economy is equally immense.

In recent years, government, corporate and education leaders have rallied to push Indiana forward – building on the industry giants already here – to make the state a bigger player in research and greater attraction for biotechnology and other health-related companies.

Through seven perspectives, *BizVoice*® examines where Indiana's increased focus has taken us ... and what lies ahead.

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