§ 2798. Powers and duties. The tick-borne disease institute established by section twenty-seven hundred ninety-seven of this article shall have the following powers and duties:

1. to develop and promote investigations into the cause, prevention, detection, spread, methods of treatment, and cure of tick-borne diseases; and

2. to develop and promote an outreach campaign directed toward targeted high-risk populations to provide coordinated information regarding the cause, prevention, detection, and treatment of tick-borne disease.