UCSF Immigration Health Research Rapid Response Grant

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Call for Proposals Announced	February 10, 2025
Proposal Application Deadline	**March 21, 2025**
Announcement of Awards	April 15, 2025
Project Timeline	Up to 1 year

This rapid response grant mechanism seeks to support research examining the impact of new federal policies on the health and health care of many immigrants. Proposals can make use of existing datasets, primary data collection, or other approaches. We anticipate funding 3-5 grants.

The **UCSF Immigration Health Research Rapid Response Grant** seeks to support rapid response research. Proposals can address a broad range of immigrant related health research including, but not limited to:

- The effects of deportation on mixed status families in California
- Effective strategies to mitigate impact of policies on health or on healthcare utilization
- Strategies to mitigate impact on social services utilization or update
- Changes in youth school attendance rates due to deportation fears
- Impact of changes in healthcare utilization among undocumented immigrants
- Use of basic needs and federal safety net programs
- Key issues related to clinician's practices regarding Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE)
- Mental health challenges relating to deportation fears and stress
- Exploring longitudinal effects of changes in immigration policies and family separation

Funding Available

$10,000 per awarded grant. Funding can be used for datasets, data collection, research staff time, investigator time or other research related activities. Administrative support, tuition and travel are not allowable expenses.

Eligibility

UCSF faculty in any series and any rank may apply. Appointees to the Professional Research Series and Librarian Series may also apply.

Review and Selection Process

A committee comprised of faculty and community members with appropriate expertise and understanding of immigration health research will conduct a scientific review.

IRB: Awarded projects will have access to rapid IRB review.

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Consultation Available:

A UCSF CTSI Community Engagement Program is available to consult on working with community partners and/or on issues of data security, honorarium payment to community partners, and other logistical challenges. PIs can request a consultation post-award.

Review Considerations

1. Immigration health research with potential for impact on local, state, or national policies or healthcare will be prioritized.
2. Awareness of unique consideration for immigration research including privacy, participant engagement, consent, security, ethical, and/or regulatory issues.
3. Capacity to foster new multi-disciplinary collaborations or multi-stakeholder collaborations.
4. Potential use and dissemination of tools, measurements, approaches, and data by key stakeholders such as clinical entities, professional organizations, or policy makers through generated data and publications.
5. Potential for supporting next steps – larger projects, follow-on funding.

Proposal Submission Instructions

Prepare the following items and assemble into a single PDF (Arial 11 font; 0.5-inch margins):

A. Project Description (2-page limit): Preliminary data not required. Any figures count in the 2-page limit. Include the following components.
   1. Problem Statement: 2-3 sentences max
   2. Rationale/background
   3. Proposed Research Plan:
      To include:
      - Specific Aims – What are you going to find out?
      - Approach – How are you going to do it?
      - Feasibility and Timeline – How likely is it to be done in the 1 year time framework
      - Innovation – What is innovative about this proposal? (Ok to omit)
      - Significance and Impact – Why is the research important? If you succeed, what might change?
      - Dissemination of Results – Describe in ≤3 sentences how you plan to rapidly disseminate the study results to key stakeholders as applicable including the scientific community, policy makers, patients and communities

B. Budget and Budget Justification (together; 1 page limit): All expenses must be justified.

C. Biosketches or CV for PI and co-investigators: (not part of page limitations)

D. Letters of support from community partners, if applicable (not part of page limitation)

Please submit your application HERE. Combine all documents into one PDF file.

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