

Autism Intervention Research Network on Physical Health

QUICK FACTS

Purpose

The [Autism Intervention Research Network on Physical Health \(AIR-P\)](#) supports innovative life course intervention research that promotes optimal health and well-being of autistic individuals across the lifespan in six key areas:



1) Primary Care Services and Quality



2) Community-based Lifestyle Interventions



3) Gender, Sexuality, and Reproductive Health



4) Health Systems and Services



5) Neurology



6) Genetics

Approach

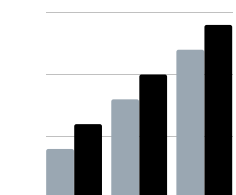
AIR-P maintains an interdisciplinary, multicenter research network for scientific collaboration and infrastructure to **increase the life expectancy and quality of life for autistic individuals, with a focus on underserved/vulnerable populations**. AIR-P advances intervention studies focused on autistic individuals across the lifespan by:



Creating a process for research from proposals to publication



Incubating the Pilot & Feasibility Funding program



Maintaining a centralized data repository



Disseminating research findings

Research supported by AIR-P requires review, feedback, and approval from an Autistic Researcher Review Board (ARRB) to ensure that all Network research directly benefits autistic individuals.

Locations

National Coordinating Center

- [University of California, Los Angeles School of Medicine](#)

Partners

- [Association of University Centers on Disabilities](#)
- [AJ Drexel Autism Institute](#)
- [Kaiser Permanente Northern California](#)
- [Mathematica](#)

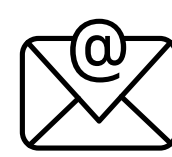
Collaborating Research Entities (CREs)

- [Carolina Institute for Developmental Disabilities at University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill](#)
- [Center for Human Development at University of Alaska Anchorage](#)
- [Center on Human Development and Disability at University of Washington](#)
- [Indiana Institute on Disability and Community at Indiana University](#)

- [Institute on Community Integration at University of Minnesota](#)
- [Institute on Disability and Human Development at University of Illinois Chicago](#)
- [JFK Partners at University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus](#)
- [Kansas University Center on Developmental Disabilities at University of Kansas](#)
- [Kennedy Krieger Institute](#)
- [Mailman Center for Child Development at University of Miami Miller School of Medicine](#)
- [Rose F. Kennedy Children's Evaluation & Rehabilitation Center Center at the Children's Hospital at Montefiore](#)
- [Sonoran Center for Excellence in Disabilities at University of Arizona](#)
- [The Boggs Center on Developmental Disabilities at Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School](#)
- [University of California Davis MIND Institute](#)
- [University of Tennessee Health Science Center, Center on Developmental Disabilities](#)



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OPPORTUNITIES TO ENGAGE

Research Scholars & Pilot and Feasibility Funding Program

Provides funding and mentorship for independent investigators at all career stages

- Annual RFP for 4-10 awards ranging from \$10k-\$50k
- Supports preliminary research and data collection to help secure external funding
- Transdisciplinary collaboration encouraged
- CRE faculty may have opportunity to serve as mentors to Scholars
- Coordinated by and awarded through UCLA

Learn More

<https://airpnetwork.ucla.edu/air-p-scholars>



Infrastructure for Collaborative Research (ICR)

This online database supports:

- Submission of proposals for research packages
- Preliminary research and data collection
- Multisite research collaboration
- Download of research packages for local implementation
- Access to data from AIR-P studies for secondary analysis

Learn More

<https://airpnetwork.ucla.edu/about/icr>



Collaborating Research Entities (CRE)

Annual infrastructure funding to participate in AIR-P Research Network activities

- Participate in meetings and workgroups
- Develop concepts and protocols for research
- Implement studies and clinical trials
- Enhance research training and mentorship of early career researchers
- Translate findings to practice and training

Learn More

<https://airpnetwork.ucla.edu/aucd>



Dissemination of Findings

Research Day

- Twice annually at [Autism CARES](#) and [AUCD Conference](#)

Pediatrics journal

- Annual supplement with 12-15 original research articles

Webinars

- Monthly [webinar series](#)

Listserv

- [AIR-P Network listserv](#)

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