

Announcing the 2025 Awardees of PolicyLab's Community Partnerships in Research Program

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PolicyLab is excited to announce the Year 3 awardees of our [Community Partnerships in Research Program](#)! This program funds community-engaged research pilot grants and seeks to promote health equity in the Greater Philadelphia area by building and deepening community-academic partnerships for research targeting health improvements among children and their families.

We'd like to thank our partners from the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP) [Cancer Center](#) Diversity Committee, the Health Equity Research Methods ([HERMes](#)) Initiative, and CHOP's Clinical and Translational Science Award (CTSA) for their support and commitment to advancing the health and well-being of the communities we serve.

- **“Addressing the Needs of the Local Spanish-Speaking Autism Community”** — Kate Wallis, MD, MPH, from PolicyLab and CHOP's Department of Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics, will partner with Yovana Bustamante from Posibilidades Infinitas.
- **“Empowering the Next Generation: Evaluating the Impacts of a Community-based Student Teaching Program on Young Leaders and Their Communities”** — Hillary Kapa, MPH, from CHOP's Center for Injury Research & Prevention and Stephanie Garcia, MPH, from PolicyLab and CHOP's Center for Injury Research & Prevention will partner with Matthew Kerr and Christopher Thornton from Beyond the Bars.
- **“Voices from SisterSong: Reproductive Justice and Severe Fetal Conditions in Communities of Color”** — Abigail Wilpers, PhD, from PolicyLab and CHOP's Neonatology Health Services Research Lab will partner with Simran Singh Jain from SisterSong, The Women of Color Reproductive Justice Collective.
- **“Supporting Engagement in Perinatal Supports for Pregnant Individuals with SUD”** — Yuan He, MD, MPH, MSHP, from PolicyLab and CHOP's Department of Pediatrics will partner with Colette Green, MSS, from Maternity Care Coalition.

Want to learn more? Click [here](#) for more information about the awarded projects and program.

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