

Bridging Gaps in Pediatric Care:
Integrative Medicine for
Underserved Communities and
Immigrant Families

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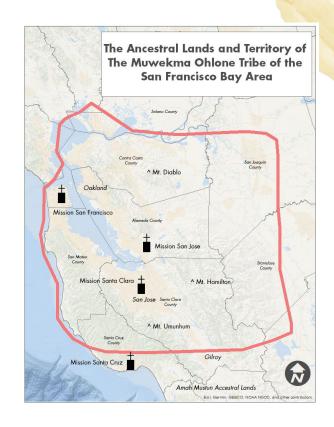
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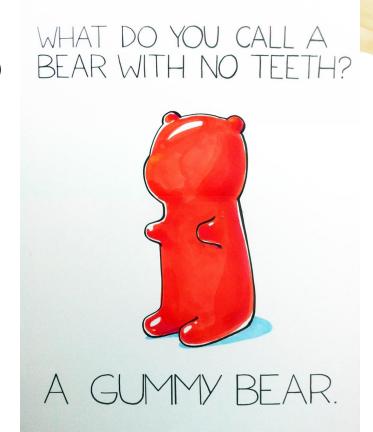
Muwekma Ohlone Tribe Land Acknowledgement

We would like to acknowledge the Ramaytush Ohlone people, who are the traditional custodians of this land. We pay our respects to the Ramaytush Ohlone elders, past, present, and future, who call this place, the land that UCSF sits upon, their home. We are proud to continue their tradition of coming together and growing as a community. We thank the Ramaytush Ohlone community for their stewardship and support, and we look forward to strengthening our ties as we continue our relationship of mutual respect and understanding.

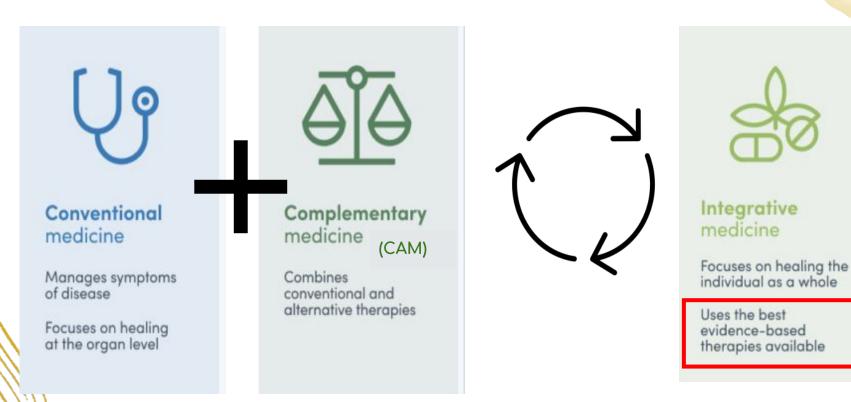


Outline

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- 2. PIM for the underserved
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 - b. PIM and Social Drivers Of Health
- 3. PIM at an Federally Qualified Health Center
 - a. La Clinica de Bienestar & Clinica Buena Vida
- 4. Immigrant Health
 - a. Support and services
 - b. PIM & Immigrant Health



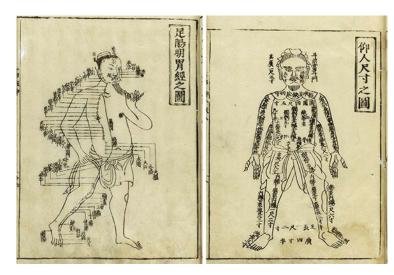
What is Pediatric Integrative Medicine (PIM)?



Traditional & Cultural Medicine



Ayurveda ~5000 years



Traditional Chinese Medicine

~3000 years

Traditional & Cultural Medicine



Arnica

 Bruises and sore muscles



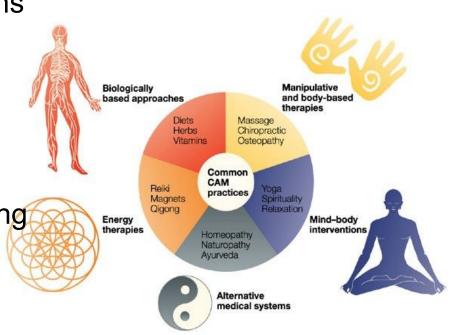
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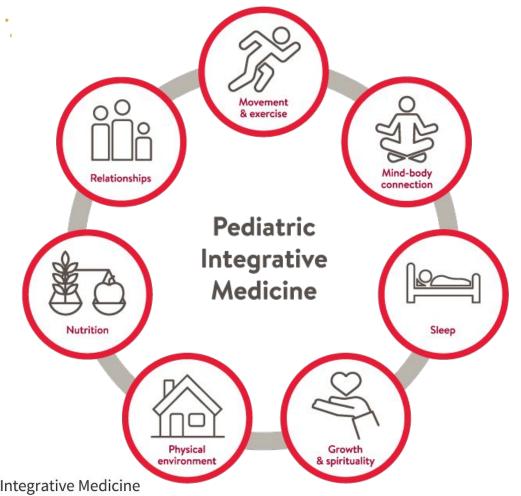
Upset stomach

- Smith AG, Miles VN, Holmes DT, Chen X, Lei W. Clinical Trials, Potential Mechanisms, and Adverse Effects of Arnica as an Adjunct Medication for Pain Management. Medicines (Basel). 2021 Oct 9;8(10):58.
- Weizman Z, Alkrinawi S, Goldfarb D, Bitran C. Efficacy of herbal tea preparation in infantile colic. J Pediatr. 1993 Apr;122(4):650-2.
 - Prospective double-blind study. The use of tea eliminated the colic in 19 (57%) of 33 infants, whereas placebo was helpful in only 9 (26%) of 35 (p < 0.01).

PIM Treatment Modalities

- Whole systems healing traditions
 - Traditional Chinese Medicine
 - Indigenous Medicine
 - Ayurveda
- Mind body therapies
- Movement therapies
- Food is Medicine-Diet counseling
- Dietary supplements
 - Botanicals



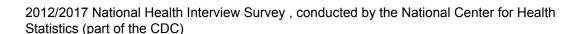




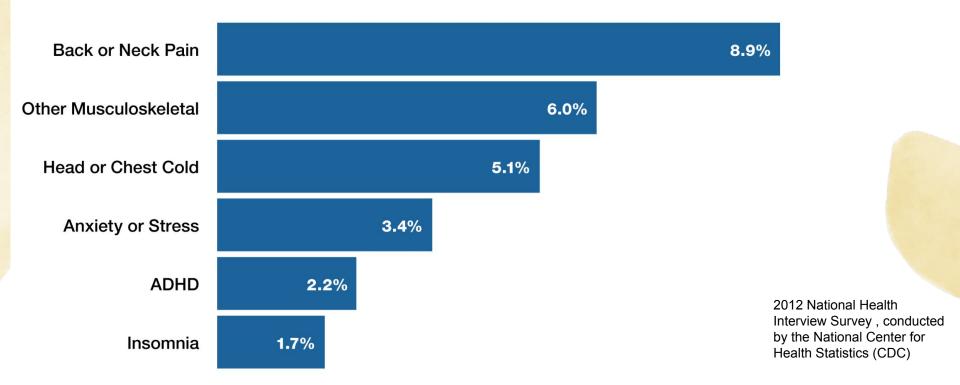


PIM in the General Population

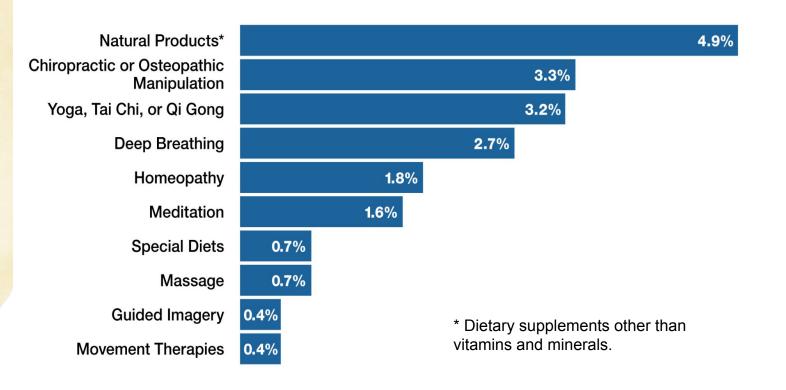
- National Health Interview Survey, 2012 and 2017 surveyed >10,000 children ages 4-17
 - ~12% of children use integrative medicine
- Use increased by 50-80% in pediatric pts with chronic illness



Diseases/conditions for which complementaryhealth approaches are most frequently used among children—2012



10 most common complementary health approaches among children—2012



fish oil, melatonin, probiotics, etc

2012 National Health Interview Survey , conducted by the National Center for Health Statistics (CDC)

Increased Interest & Use of Integrative Medicine

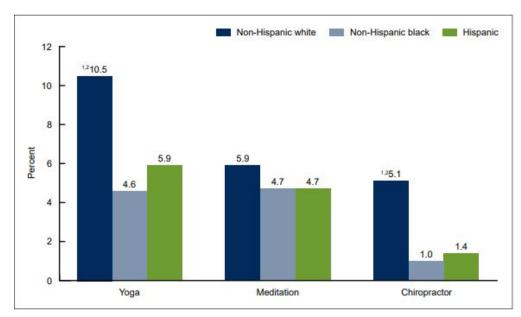
 From 2012 to 2017 the use of yoga and meditation significantly increased among U.S. children (aged 4 to 17 years).





Integrative Medicine use in Minority Populations?

- Children aged 4–17 years who used yoga, meditation, or a chiropractor during the past 12 months, by race and Hispanic origin: United States, 2017
- Hispanic and Non-Hispanic Black children have the lowest use of complementary therapies in the United States



Black LI, Barnes PM, Clarke TC, Stussman BJ, Nahin RL. <u>Use of yoga, meditation, and chiropractors among U.S. children aged 4–17 years</u>. NCHS Data Brief, no 324. Hyattsville, MD: National Center for Health Statistics. 2018.

Smaller PIM Studies in Underserved Populations

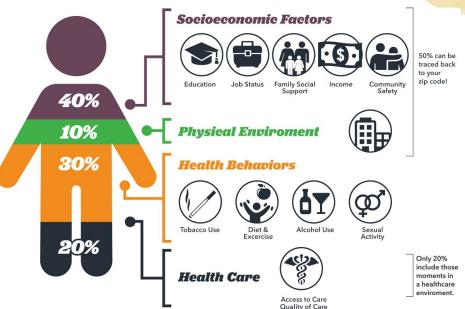
- 250 uninsured patients using a free pediatric mobile clinic in Texas
 - Complementary & Alternative Medicine (CAM) use in preceding 12 mo was 45 % among children, and 59% among parents
 - 3% of parents and 2% children discussed their CAM use with a physician
 - Limited access to care resulted in higher CAM use



Integrative Medicine and Social Drivers of Health

Social Drivers of Health Largely Contribute to Health Outcomes

- Health disparities are driven by social and economic inequities
- These are not easily addressed by most health care systems



Source: Institute for Clinical Systems Improvement, Going Beyond Clinical Walls: Solving Complex Problems (October 2014)

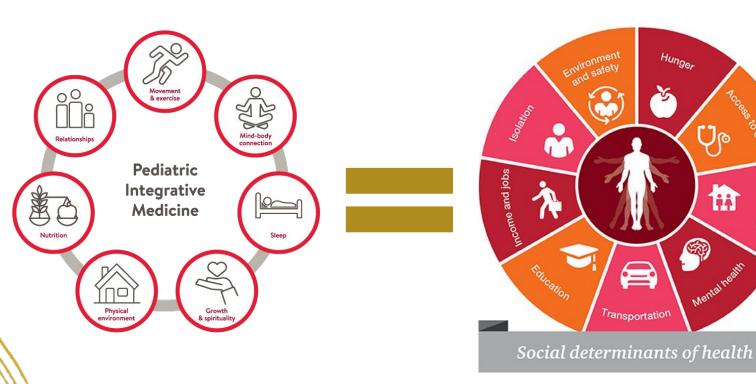
Social Drivers of Health Largely Contribute to Health Outcomes

- Zip Code can predict:
 - Access to mental health and wellness services
 - Higher rates of chronic stress, trauma,
 asthma, obesity, pain, sleep disturbances
- In Mitchell 2024 study, Black identifying children had the highest odds of both PICU admission and mortality
 - Higher Poverty Rates
 - Higher rates of PICU admissions



Desai N et al., 2017; Mitchell HK et al., 2024

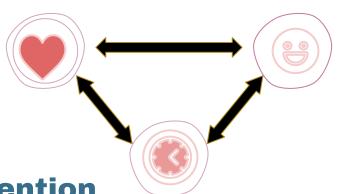
PIM Targets Social Drivers of Health



PIM is Essential to Federally Qualified Community Centers (FQHC)

Cultural Context

 Whole person, culture congruent care is more effective health care



Prevention

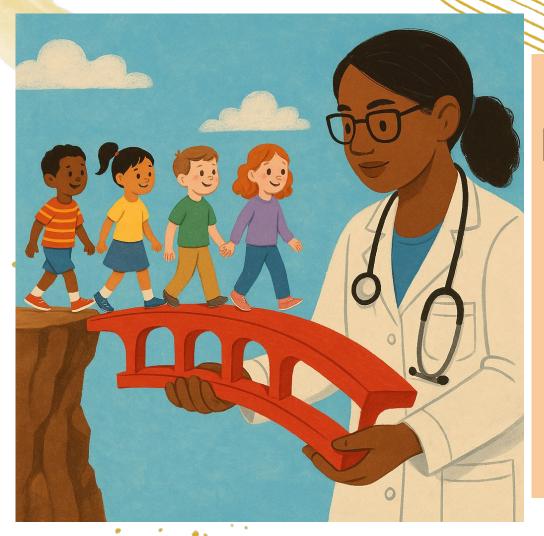
 By emphasizing prevention and promoting wellness, PIM allows for a lifetime of disease prevention and potential cost effectiveness/cost savings (SDOH)

Evidence Based

Scientific literature supports efficacy of PIM therapies in improving patient outcomes, symptom relief and patient satisfaction

> Gautam Ramesh, Dana Gerstbacher, Jenna Arruda, Brenda Golianu, John Mark and Ann Ming Yeh. Pediatric Integrative Medicine in Academia: Stanford Children's Experience. Children. 2018, December 12th

...Yet, there were no pediatric integrative medicine clinics at FOHCs in California (exception: UCSF-BCHO)



... We built a bridge!

- Decrease out of pocket expenses (Most PIM providers in California are private)
- Decreased waiting times

Founding a Pediatric Integrative Medicine

Clinic at FQHC

- PIM Consultation Clinic est 2023
- Collaboration between Stanford Pediatric Integrative Medicine Fellowship and Santa Clara Valley Med Center-Tully
- Hosted every other Thursday for a half day





Tamara Frankenberg, MD SCVMC Primary Care Pediatrician





Founding a Pediatric Integrative Medicine Clinic at FQHC

- Pilot
 - Pts referred for integrative medicine or "second opinion" consultation
 - Pts referred by other Tully Clinic providers (a satellite of SCVMC)
 - Case review sessions with Dr. Ann Ming Yeh
 - Ped GI Clinical Professor and PIM Program Director

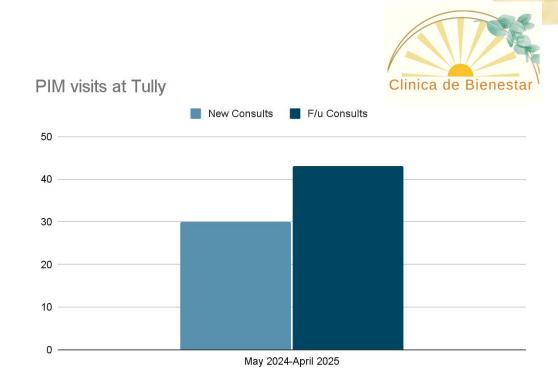






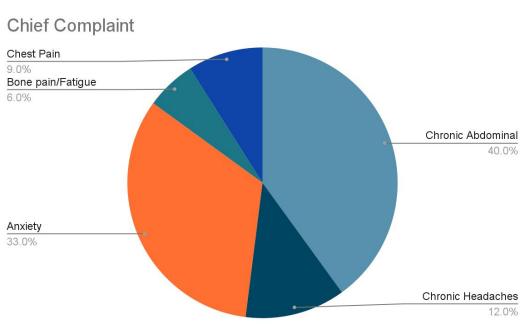
Clinica de Bienestar Referral Data

- May 2024-April 2025
 - Total Encounters:73
 - 30 NewPatientIntakes (60 min)
 - 43 Follow-ups(30 min)



Clinica de Bienestar Referral Data

- May 2024-April 2025
- Pts with past negative work-up and continued chronic sxs
 - Chronic Abd Pain
 - Anxiety
 - Chronic Headaches
 - Chest Pain
 - Bone pain / Fatigue





Services Offered



- Nutrition Counseling
 - How to improve diet given individual families access to food/Lifestyle
 - Decreasing fasting intervals
 - Food is Medicine/motivational interviewing
 - Minimal access to nutrition services
- Sleep and Rest
 - Sleep Routine
 - Effects on:
 - Anxiety, Mood, Pain, Fatigue



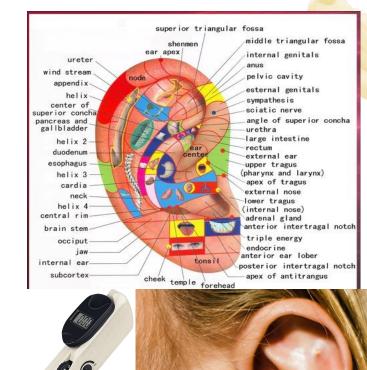
- Healthy Boundaries with Screen time/Social Media
 - Assessing total screen time
 - Counseling on social media use
 - Plan of action for social media detox for patients who spend > 4 hrs per day on screens
- Mind Body connection
 - Exercise tolerance evaluations



- Supplements/Herbal Medicine
 - Magnesium Citrate(CALM)/Oxide
 - Constipation/Anxiety/Headaches
 - Multivitamin
 - Vitamin D, especially after isolation
 - Probiotics
 - L. Reuteri
 - Omega 3- DHA, EPA
 - o CoQ10
 - Ginger Chews/tea/capsules
 - Herbal Teas:
 - Lemon Balm, Chamomile, Peppermint



- Traditional Chinese Medicine Procedures
 - Auricular Therapy
 - Electrotherapy
 - Acupressure seeds
 - Cupping Therapy (Buena Vida Only)
 - Referrals to Acupuncture
 - Covered by Santa Clara and San Francisco Health Plan
- Mindfulness and breath work
 - Free apps/links:
 - Meditation
 - 4,7,8 breath
 - Yoga





Medical Hypnosis

- Hypnosis allows patients to focus intently on a specific problem and its resolution, while maintaining a comfortable state of physical relaxation.
 - Helps patients notice and ultimately enhance control over their body responses
 - "Focused Daydream"
- What is **NOT** Medical Hypnosis
 - Loss of control
 - Mind and Body
 - Loss of consciousness
 - Loss of awareness



Patient & Family Experience **Feedback**

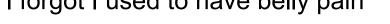
"I wish this clinic was here 3 years ago when my daughter's symptoms started."

-Pt Mother

"I didn't know I could feel that way"

-Pt after hypnosis therapy

"I forgot I used to have belly pain"



-Pt seen at follow-up for chronic abdominal pain

"Headaches have decreased from daily to at most once or twice a week after starting acupuncture weekly, it is so relaxing it puts me to sleep!"

-Pt seen at follow-up for chronic headaches





Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital (ZSFG) Buena Vida Clinic

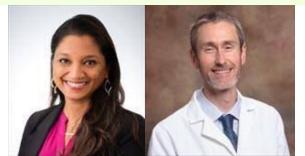




Clinica Buena Vida at ZSFG

- Established in November 2023 by Dr. Barragan with support from Dr. Shonul Jain and Dr. Dave Gordon
- Hosted for a half-day twice a month at ZSFG
- Modeled after Clinica de Bienestar
 - 1 new pt visit & 6 follow-up slots per clinic half-day

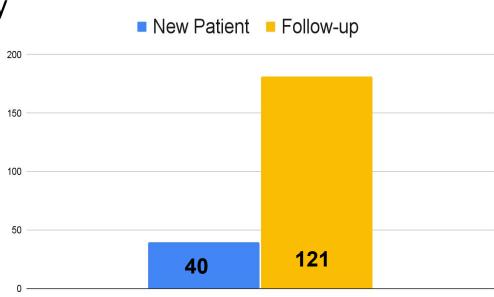




Total Clinica Buena Vida Visits

 Referrals accepted for mostly past work-up and continued chronic sxs

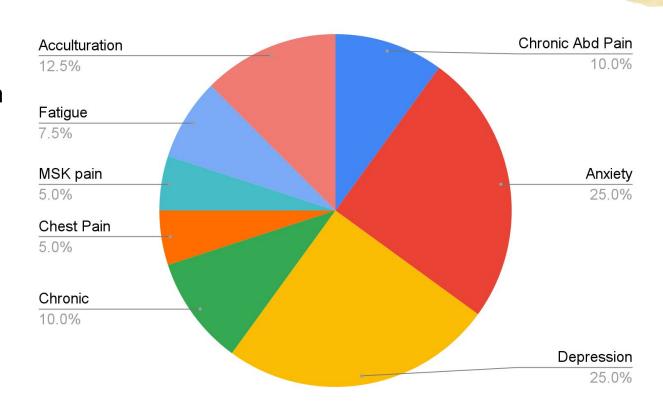




Clinica Buena Vida Referral Data

- Common Referral Diagnosis
 - Chronic Abd Pain
 - Anxiety
 - Depression
 - ChronicHeadaches
 - Chest Pain
 - MSK pain
 - Fatigue
 - Acculturation

Difficulty



Increase in Referrals of New Immigrants

- California has more immigrants than any other state
- In 2023, 27% of California's population was foreign born
- Almost 45% of California children have at least one immigrant parent



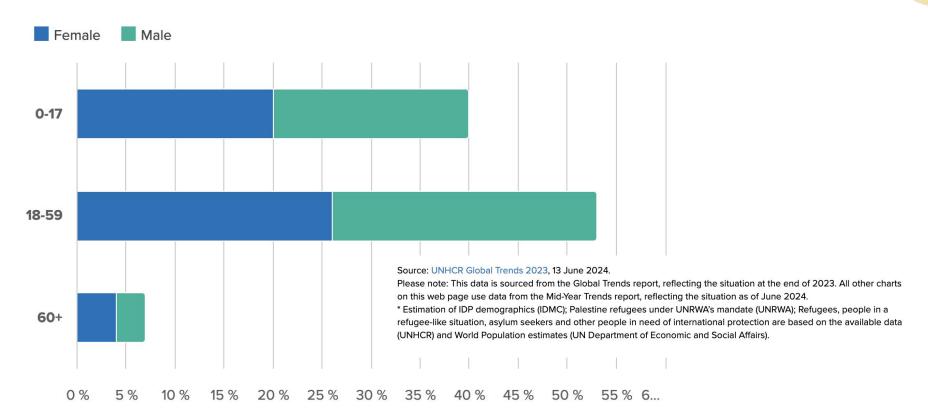


How can PM support new immigrant families?

Status Definitions

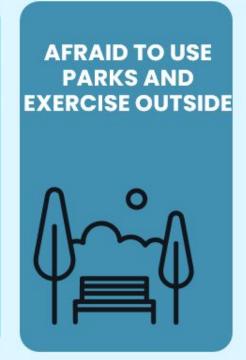
- Naturalized Citizen: A foreign-born person who legally becomes a U.S. citizen, with full rights including voting and a U.S. passport.
- Permanent Resident (Green Card Holder): A non-citizen authorized to live and work in the U.S. permanently; may apply for citizenship after meeting requirements.
- Refugee: Granted protection abroad before entering the U.S. due to persecution or fear of it.
 - Asylee: Granted protection after arriving in the U.S. or at a port of entry for similar reasons as refugees.
- Twilight (Liminal) Status: Individuals with temporary or uncertain legal status, such as DACA or TPS holders.
- Unauthorized / Undocumented Immigrant: Lives in the U.S. without legal status—e.g., entered without inspection or overstayed a visa. Generally ineligible for public benefits and at risk of deportation.

Children account for 30% of the world population, but 40% of all displaced people



FEAR OF DEPORTATION MAKES COMMUNITIES LESS HEALTHY

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TO ACCESS
PUBLIC SERVICES

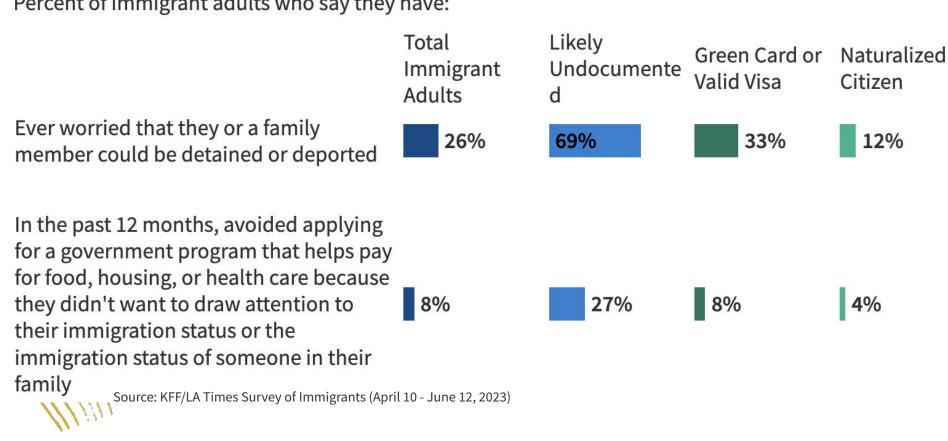






Immigrants Across Statuses Worried About Deportation and Some Avoided Applying for Food, Housing, or Health Care Assistance Due to Fears

Percent of immigrant adults who say they have:



Anti-immigrant Rhetoric Affects Care

Declared impact of the US President's statements and campaign statements on Latino populations' perceptions of safety and emergency care access

Robert M. Rodriguez , Jesus R. Torres, Jennifer Sun, Harrison Alter, Carolina Ornelas, Mayra Cruz, Leah Fraimow-Wong, Alexis Aleman, Luis M. Lovato, Angela Wong, Breena Taira

Published: October 30, 2019 • https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0222837

ED visits: ZSFG, Alameda Health System, & Olive View-UCLA

- 75% Undocumented latino residents reported anti-immigrant rhetoric in 2016 made them feel unsafe living in the United States
 - 55% Delayed presenting to the ED due to fear
- 51% of legal latino residents reported that anti-immigrant rhetoric in 2016 made them feel unsafe living in the United States

Increased Negative Health Outcomes Seen in Pediatric Immigrant Children

Mental Health

- Increased anxiety, depression, and PTSD due to separation and detention
 - Children of Asian, Pacific Island, and Latinx immigrants have significantly higher rates of depression, anxiety, and post-traumatic stress disorder
- Fear of deportation affects daily function (school performance)

Physical Health

- Poor access to healthcare due to fears
- Malnutrition and infection risk due to lack of hygiene in detention facilities

Educational Barriers

- Interrupted schooling
- Fear of attending school due to deportation risks, bullying



What Can Healthcare Providers Do?



THE OTHER SIDE OF FEAR IS PREPARATION

PREPARE

- Yourself
- Patients

PROTECT

- Patients
- Colleagues

INFORM

- Yourself
- Patients
- Public

Know Your Rights & Family Preparedness Plan

- Printable <u>red cards</u> in nineteen languages to distribute to community members
- A <u>downloadable</u>, <u>fillable</u>, <u>and printable Family</u>
 Preparedness Plan
- A webinar in both <u>English</u> and <u>Spanish</u> on Family Preparedness Plans in California.
 - A <u>know-your-rights handout</u> in eight languages to help families prepare for a possible interaction with ICE
- A directory of <u>non-profit legal services providers</u> across the country
 - 10 Things Noncitizen Protestors Need to Know







REVIEW POLICY WITH STAFF

SFDPH memo, rev 1.22.25:



PROTOCOL FOR STAFF ENCOUNTERS WITH ICE (or other enforcement)

Under SF's "Sanctuary City Ordinance," City agencies (eg DPH, ZSFG) and employees are generally PROHIBITED from assisting ICE in enforcing federal immigration laws.

IF ANY STAFF RECEIVES ANY INQUIRY FROM FEDERAL AUTHORITIES, IMMEDIATELY:

CONTACT 6M RN manager Tonia Vega: 650-201-0382

SFGH AOD: x6-3519

CALMLY DIRECT PATIENTS INTO PATIENT ROOMS AND CLOSE THE DOOR (NOT in hallways/WR).

Do not allow agent to enter into 6M Clinic; direct to hallway outside 6M.

Provide Red Cards to patients.

You may say:

- "Please wait here (in hallway OUTSIDE of 6M clinic) until our supervisor arrives."
- "While we wait, please provide me your ID/badge #, Supervisor contact, and any document/warrant*, all of which I will photocopy."
- "I CANNOT consent to any search or answer questions or sign anything w/o my supervisor present."
- "I am not authorized to speak with you."
- XICE agent CANNOT enter City property.
- X ICE agent CANNOT conduct searches, including clinic records.
- We are NOT required to disclose any information about the person named on the warrant.
- We are NOT required to help ICE search for "person of interest."
- X We are NOT required to answer agents' questions or speak at all.

"Note: celly JUDICAR warrants are willed fless comment; issued by "U.S. District Court", "Magistrate" judget, typically to search property. Anything ette: ("Notice of Appearance, "Administrative warrant, subpoems, etc. is NOT ACCEPTRASE for compliance.

► ILRC RED CARDS:

https://www.ilrc.org/redcards-tarjetas-rojas



►ICE detainee locator https://locator.ice.dox/ dis/#/search



*SFILEN Rapid Response: (415) 200-1548

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Policy & Procedure Detail*

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Agents Policy

Category: Compliance

Effective Date: February 1, 2017

DPH Unit of Origin: Office of Compliance and Privacy Affairs

Office of Compliance and Privacy Affairs

Contact - Employee Name and Title; and/or DPH Division:

Office of Compliance and Privacy Affairs

Contact Phone Number(s): 855-729-6040

Distribution: DPH-wide

If not DPH-wide, other distribution:

1. Purpose of Policy

DPH is dedicated to serving all those in need of care, without regard to immigration Francisco is healthler when all residents, including undocumented immigrants, acc that maintain health and prevent disease.

Under S.F. Administrative Codes 12H and 12I, together commonly referred to as City Ordinance", City agencies and employees are generally prohibited from asset.

federal immigration laws. The purpose of this DPH Policy & Procedure Detail is to ensure that a members are providing services in alignment with DPH's mission and the Sanctuary City Ordinance, and to provide procedures for staff to use in interactions with patients and with immigration authorities who may come into a clinic, hospital, or other setting on City property.



Sample warrant: administrative (not necessary to comply)

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the Board of Immigration Appeals	
a United States District or Magistrate Co	ourt Judge
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3. You have been admitted to the United States, but are	A STATE OF THE STA		is and Border Protection (CBP), U.S. Immigration and Customs rishlp and Immigration Services (ECIS) Official named in Block 3
he Department of Homeland Security alleges that you		at the place, date, and time speci-	fied, to testify and give informed in relating to the matter indicated in
		Block 2.	apers, or other documents) Indica in Blaze 4, to the CSP, ICE, or
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	() \	3. (A) CEP, ICE or USCIS Official sefore whom you	
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Section 235(h)(1) order was vacated pursuant to : 3	CF92306.30(f)(2)	ALL DE	5. Authorized Official
YOU ARE ORDERED to appear before an immigration judge of the United States Department of Justice at:		(1855)	(Signature)
	signion Crot, belating from Norte, if on: show why you should not be removed from the United States based on the		(Printed Name)
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	(Napolato and Tills of Sending Officer)	this subpoens, contact the CEP, ICE, or USCIS Official identified in Block 3.	(Date)



Implement Change at Patient, Clinician, and Institutional Level



SAMPLE STRATEGY	SAMPLE LANGUAGE
Open a dialogue by placing patients' fears in context and generalizing any challenges.	"Many of my patients are currently experiencing anxiety about immigration problems"
Provide reassurance by contextualizing, explaining your motive for helping, and emphasize confidentiality.	"Many people are going through similar struggles right now. You are not alone." "This kind of anxiety can impact your health. You are safe to express your concerns here."
	"I will not write your immigration status in the medical record."





Documentation in Medical Records

- ➤ Do NOT indicate documentation status "undocumented" or "crossed border with coyote" or "crossed without detention" or "arrived without detection" or "crossed legally/illegally."
- "3-month travel from Colombia, with several week stay in shelter at Mexican border." "Travel in accordance with international migration protocol."
- Arrival date and country of origin. Implications for timing of QFT testing, implications for traumas specific to journey.
- "Stress related to public charge," "provided legal resources, KYR", "provided family preparedness packet."

ICD10 Codes:

- Acculturation Difficulty
- Family Disruption
- Psychosocial Stressors
- Inaccessibility of health care
 - Other psychosocial problems

MEDICAL ADVOCACY LETTERS

6MBRIDGESANKLE	Sample "medical letter" advocating for removal of ankle monitor
6MPROOFRES	Proof of patient/caregiver bringing child to clinic since YYYY.
6MPROOFMORAL	Proof of "good moral character" of an individual who will contribute positively to U.S. society.
6MIMMIGRATIONAVSALL	AVS Red Card info/Resources for immigrants (in Spanish, English, Arabic, and Chinese (simplified/traditional).
6MIMMHEALTHLETTER	Letter template (GENERAL) - immigrant health advocacy for legal case; speak with pt's attorney
6MIMMCSHCNLETTER	Letter template (CHILD W SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS)- immigrant health advocacy for legal case; speak with pt's attorney

TRAUMA-INFORMED SCREENING TOOLS

Refugee Health Screener-15 (RHS-15)

- Specifically designed for refugee populations to screen for emotional distress, anxiety, depression, and PTSD.
- Useful if you serve a community with a high proportion of refugees.

REFUGEE HEALTH SCREENER (RHS-15)

Instructions: Using the scale beside each symptom, please indicate the degree to which the symptom has been bothersome to you over the <u>past month</u>. Place a mark in the appropriate column. If the symptom has not been bothersome to you during the past month, circle "NOT AT ALL."

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SYMPTOMS	SHEAT ALL	AUTHABIT	MODER	QUITE A BUT	NUMBER
1. Muscle, bone, joint pains	0	1	2	3	4
2. Feeling down, sad, or blue most of the time	0	1	2	3	4
3. Too much thinking or too many thoughts	0	1	2	3	- 4
4. Feeling helpless	0	1	2	3	4
5. Suddenly scared for no reason	0	1	2	3	4
6. Faintness, dizziness, or weakness	0	1	2	3	- 4
7. Nervousness or shakiness inside	0	1	2	3	4
X Fooling restless, can't sit still	0	1	2	3	4
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ig symptoms may be related to traumatic experiences during war and migration. How much

experience of reliving the trauma; acting or as if it were happening again?	0	
oving PHYSICAL reactions (for example, break sweat, heart beats fast) when reminded of the ?	0	
otionally numb (for example, feel sad but can't able to have loving feelings)?	0	
mpier, more easily startled (for example, when e walks up behind you)?	0	Mentalit

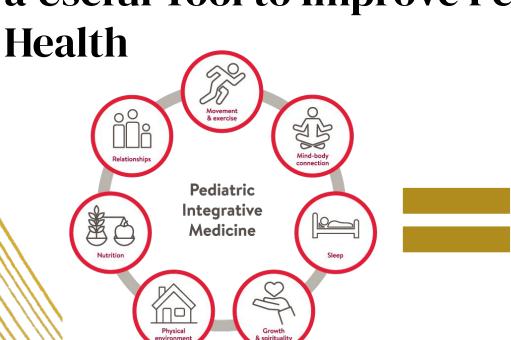
TRAUMA-INFORMED SCREENING TOOLS

Child PTSD Symptom Scale

- A self-report measure for children and adolescents that helps identify PTSD symptoms.
- Includes a functional impairment rating to guide treatment planning.

1. Having upsetting thoughts or pictures about it that came into your head when you didn't want them to		1	2	3	4
2. Having bad dreams or nightmares		1	2	3	4
 Acting or feeling as if it was happening again (seeing or hearing something and feeling as if you are there again) Feeling upset when you remember what happened (for example, feeling scared, angry, sad, guilty, confused) 		1	2	3	4
		1	2	3	
 Having feelings in your body when you remember what happened (for example, sweating, heart beating fast, tomach or head hurting) 	0	1	2	3	4
5. Trying not to think about it or have feelings about it	0	1	2	3	4
7. Trying to stay away from anything that reminds you of what happened (for example, people, places, or conversations about it)		1	2	3	4
8. Not being able to remember an important part of what happened		1	2	3	4
Having bad thoughts about yourself, other people, or the world (for example, "I can't do anything right", "All people are bad", "The world is a scary place")		1	2	3	4
 Thinking that what happened is your fault (for example, "I should have known better", "I shouldn't have done that", "I deserved it") 		1	2	3	4
11. Having strong bad feelings (like fear, anger, guilt, or shame)		1	2	3	4
12. Having much less interest in doing things you used to do		1	2	3	4
3. Not feeling close to your friends or family or not wanting to be around them	0	1	2	3	4
appiness or love) or trouble having any feelings at all	0	1	2	3	4
elling, hitting others, throwing things)	0	1	2	3	4
If (for example, taking drugs, drinking alcohol, running away, cutting	0	1	2	3	4

PIM Targets Social Drivers of Health and Can be a Useful Tool to Improve Pediatric Immigrant





Conclusion

- Establishing PIM at a FQHC is possible!
- PIM is an important tool to reduce health disparities
- Immigrant children and families can highly benefit from PIM treatment modalities
- Awareness of immigrant policies can help improve patient care

Thank you for listening!



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Resource List

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- https://doctorsforimmigrants.com/ourwork/#ourtoolkit
- https://www.refugeehealthta.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/09/RHS15_Packet_PathwaysToWelln ess-1.pdf
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