



**The Asian Health Coalition partners with community-based and national organizations to support the *All of Us* Research Program**

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In a national effort to engage Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians, and Pacific Islanders (AANHPIs) in the *All of Us* Research Program, the Asian Health Coalition will partner with 17 community-based organizations (CBOs) and 2 national organizations to form the *Asian Engagement and Recruitment Core* (ARC).

Initiated by National Institutes of Health (NIH), The *All of Us* Research Program is a key element of the Precision Medicine Initiative (PMI) launched by the Obama Administration in 2015. Precision medicine is an approach to tailoring disease prevention and treatment that accounts for genetic, environmental, and lifestyle factors in providing targeted medical interventions.

The *All of Us* Research Program will invite one million people from across the United States to participate in building one of the most diverse biomedical databases in history. This rich information will be utilized by researchers to develop and uncover new and targeted ways to treat and prevent disease.

The following organizations have been selected to partner with the Asian Health Coalition and form the ARC:

- Asian Media Access (Minneapolis, MN)
- Asian Pacific American Medical Student Association (National)
- Asian Women for Health (Somerville, MA)
- Asians and Pacific Islanders with Disabilities of California (Los Angeles, CA)
- Center for Southeast Asians (Providence, RI)
- Colorado Alliance for Health Equity and Practice (Denver, CO)
- Greater Boston Chinese Golden Age Center (Boston, MA)
- India Home Inc. (Jamaica, NY)
- Korean Community Service Center (Annandale, VA)
- Light and Salt Association (Houston, TX)
- LTSC Community Development Corp (Los Angeles, CA)
- National Tongan American Society (Salt Lake City, UT)
- Ohio Asian American Health Coalition (Columbus, OH)
- Orange County Asian Pacific Islander Community Alliance (Orange County, CA)
- Philippine Nurses Association of America Foundation (National)
- South Asian American Policy and Research Institute, in collaboration with Indo-American Center (Chicago, IL)
- Vietnamese American Cancer Foundation (Fountain Valley, CA)
- Vietnamese American Community Center of East Bay (Oakland, CA)
- Xilin Association (Chicago, IL)



The goal of the ARC is to shape and implement the *All of Us* Research Program strategy and create culturally appropriate, cost-effective, and scalable education and outreach for AANHPI communities. The Asian Health Coalition will provide training, technical support, and lead collaborative efforts among and within the ARC cohort to drive *All of Us* engagement and participation within AANHPI communities.

“Our community engagement partners provide crucial support to help deliver on the promise of *All of Us*,” says Josh Denny, MD, MS, CEO of the *All of Us* Research Program. “Through their continued commitment to the program, they fortify our network of trusted community organizations, provide a vital sounding board to shape our activities and direction, lend their expertise to overcome communities’ distrust of research, motivate diverse communities to enroll and remain engaged with our program, and support diverse researchers doing research with *All of Us* data.”

“The ARC partners are deeply connected to and know the pulse of our communities,” says Fornessa T. Randal, Executive Director of the Asian Health Coalition. “We are thrilled to learn from them and work alongside their efforts to engage AANHPI communities and ensure that our voices and bodies are fully represented in biomedical research.”

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