

CPHS Board Meeting
Feb-06-2026
List of Projects

D. Projects with Reported Adverse Events and/or Deviations

None.

E. New Projects—Full Committee Review Required

1. Project # 2026-004 (Johnson)
Title: UCI Child Development Study
PI: Lindsey Richland, PhD
University of California, Irvine
Irvine, CA

2. Project # 2025-201 (Ventura)
Title: CARE Court Program Independent Evaluation
PI: Melissa Labriola, PhD
RAND
Arlington, VA

3. Project # 2026-003 (Lang)
Title: Evaluating California's Children's Crisis Continuum Pilot Program—Phase 2
PI: Sarah Benatar, PhD
Urban Institute
Washington, DC

F. Continuing Review—Full Committee Review Required

None.

G. Amendment—Full Committee Review Required

None.

H. Second Review Calendar

None.

I. New Projects—Expedited Review Requested

1. Project # 2025-175 (Johnson)
Title: Dust on the Horizon: Assessing Current and Projecting Future Health Risks from Dust Exposure in California
PI: Alexandra Heaney, PhD
University of California, San Diego
San Diego, CA

2. Project # 2025-187 (Schaeuble)
Title: Evaluating the Special Education Compliance and Improvement Monitoring Process
PI: Christopher Cleveland, PhD
Brown University
Providence, RI

3. Project # 2025-179 (Dickey)
Title: Characterizing Dermatologic Conditions Among Refugee and Asylee Patients in a Large Urban Clinic: A Cross-Sectional Study
PI: Herbert Castillo Valladares, MD
University of California, San Francisco
San Francisco, CA

4. Project # 2025-164 (Schaeuble)
Title: The Impact Of Bariatric Surgery On Cancer Risk And Outcomes: A 20-Year Follow-Up Study
PI: Hisham Hussan, MD
University of California, Davis
Davis, CA

5. Project # 2025-119 (Azizian)
Title: Trends of Toxic Chemical Exposures Among Californians
PI: Ian Tang, PhD, MPH
California Department of Public Health
Richmond, CA

6. Project # 2026-002 (Dickey)
Title: Developing Effective Assessment Approaches for Cumulative Impacts
and Driving Environmental Health Equity in Underserved Communities
PI: Jason Su, PhD
University of California, Berkeley
Berkeley, CA

7. Project # 2025-188 (Johnson)
Title: Construction and Application of Research-Grade Cohorts from EHR for
Metabolic Dysfunction-Associated Cancer Research
PI: Xin Hu, PhD
Emory University
Atlanta, GA

J. Projects Requiring Continuing Review

1. Project # 2018-006 (Ruiz)
Title: Prenatal Tobacco Smoke Exposure and Somatic Alterations in Childhood Acute Lymphoid Leukemia (ALL)
PI: Adam de Smith, PhD
University of Southern California
Los Angeles, CA

2. Project # 2022-001 (Lund)
Title: Understanding the Increased Risk of Childhood Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia in Latinos
PI: Adam de Smith, PhD
University of Southern California
Los Angeles, CA

3. Project # 2019-272 (Dinis)
Title: The California Bridge Program Research Study
PI: Andrew Herring
Public Health Institute
Oakland, CA

4. Project # 16-09-2718 (Ruiz)
Title: Grandparental Exposures and Risk of Autism in the Third Generation
PI: Barbara Cohn, PhD
Public Health Institute
Berkeley, CA

5. Project # 2021-202 (Schaeuble)
Title: Trial of Parkinson's and Zoledronic Acid (TOPAZ) Study Recruitment Using the California Parkinson's Disease Registry
PI: Caroline Tanner, MD, PhD
University of California, San Francisco
San Francisco, CA

6. Project # 12-12-0953 (Schaeuble)
Title: Parkinson's Registry Investigation of Diagnosis and Etiology (PRIDE)
Study
PI: Caroline Tanner, MD, PhD
University of California, San Francisco
San Francisco, CA

7. Project # 13-01-1048 (Schaeuble)
Title: Research in Language and Cognitive Development
PI: Catherine Sandhofer, PhD
University of California, Los Angeles
Los Angeles, CA

8. Project # 2017-024 (Schaeuble)
Title: The Effect of Additional Variables on a Risk Prediction Model's
Performance to Estimate Readmission after Coronary Artery Bypass
Grafting
PI: Cherie Lou Pefanco, BSN, MSN, PhD
Loma Linda University
Loma Linda, CA

9. Project # 2018-153 (Ruiz)
Title: Research on Prostate Cancer in African American Men: Defining the
Roles of Genetics, Tumor Markers and Social Stress (RESPOND) Core B
PI: Christopher Haiman, ScD
Keck School of Medicine
Los Angeles, CA

10. Project # 2024-184 (Hess)
Title: The Sister Study
PI: Dale Sandler, PhD
National Institutes of Health
Bethesda, MD

11. Project # 2021-002 (Dickey)
Title: Identification of Colonoscopy Metrics as Markers for Colon Cancer Prevention
PI: Edward S Huang, MD, MPH
Sutter Health
Palo Alto, CA

12. Project # 2025-002 (Ruiz)
Title: Atherosclerosis Risk in Communities (ARIC) Cancer
PI: Elizabeth Platz, ScD, MPH
Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health
Baltimore, MD

13. Project # 2018-080 (Ruiz)
Title: California Health and Human Services Record Reconciliation
PI: Emily Putnam-Hornstein, PhD
University of Southern California
Los Angeles, CA

14. Project # 14-12-1802 (Ruiz)
Title: Cancer Risk in Solid Organ Transplant Recipients: The Transplant Cancer Match Study
PI: Eric Engels, MD
National Cancer Institute
Rockville, MD

15. Project # 12-12-0950 (Schaeuble)
Title: LEGACY: A Cohort of Youth in Families from the Breast Cancer Family Registry
PI: Esther John, PhD
Cancer Prevention Institute of California
Stanford, CA

16. Project # 13-10-1398 (Ruiz)
Title: Birth Defects Study to Evaluate Pregnancy Exposures—California
Component
PI: Gary Shaw, DrPH
Stanford University
Stanford, CA

17. Project # 12-11-0924 (Dickey)
Title: Candidate Genes and Congenital Malformations of Neural Crest Cell
Origin
PI: Gary Shaw, DrPH
Stanford University
Stanford, CA

18. Project # 12-11-0906 (Lund)
Title: Using Population-Based Datasets to Generate and Test New Hypotheses
for Investigating Preterm Births and Related Adverse Conditions in
California
PI: Gary Shaw, DrPH
Stanford University
Stanford, CA

19. Project # 2020-255 (Lund)
Title: Harnessing Geospatial Data for Precision Prevention of Prostate Cancer
PI: Hari Iyer, ScD, MPH
Dana-Farber Cancer Institute/Harvard Medical School
Boston, MA

20. Project # 2019-047 (Dickey)
Title: Establishment of Group B Streptococcal Immunologic Endpoints
Reasonably Like to Predict Clinical Benefit Against Invasive Disease
Among Young Infants: A Multi-State Case-Control Study
PI: Joelle Nadle, MPH
California Emerging Infections Program
Oakland, CA

21. Project # 12-10-0804 (Dickey)
Title: Using Infant Feces and Serum for Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) and
Assay with Large Immunosorbent Surface Area (ALISSA) Assay
Development and Validations and for Intestinal Microbiome and
Clostridium Botulinum Genomic Characterizations
PI: Kerry Padgett, PhD.
California Department of Public Health
Richmond, CA

22. Project # 17-01-2849 (Ruiz)
Title: Congregate Care Reform Analysis
PI: Kevin O'Connell, MA
Chief Probation Officers of California
Sacramento, CA

23. Project # 2019-049 (Dinis)
Title: Tobacco and Cannabis Exposure During Pregnancy in Six Race/Ethnic
Subgroups in California
PI: Kimberly Berger, MPH, PhD
Sequoia Foundation
Richmond, CA

24. Project # 2019-024 (Ruiz)
Title: Examination of Social, Geographic, and Policy Determinants of Preterm
Birth in California
PI: Laura Jelliffe, PhD
University of California, San Francisco
San Francisco, CA

25. Project # 2018-057 (Dickey)
Title: Evaluating Early Life Health Interventions
PI: Laura Wherry, PhD
New York University
New York, NY

26. Project # 2017-022 (Palacio)
Title: Characteristics of Persons Admitted to State Prisons, 2009 and 2014
PI: Lindsay Bostwick, PhD
California Department of Justice
Washington, DC

27. Project # 2020-234 (Dinis)
Title: Molecular Epidemiological Study of Gastric and Liver Cancer in California
PI: Luis Carvajal-Carmona, PhD
University of California, Davis
Davis, CA

28. Project # 2021-010 (Ruiz)
Title: Impact of in Utero Marijuana Exposure on Neurodevelopment, Behavior
and Mental Health: A Longitudinal Birth Cohort Study
PI: Lyndsay Avalos, PhD, MPH
Kaiser Foundation Research Institute
Oakland, CA

29. Project # 15-12-2350 (Palacio)
Title: Outcomes of Nurse Practice Environments
PI: Matthew McHugh, PhD, JD, MPH, RN, FAAN
University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, PA

30. Project # 14-11-1791 (Palacio)
Title: The Effect of Workplace Hours Requirements on Female Occupational
and Fertility Choices: Evidence from Medical Residents
PI: Melanie Wasserman, PhD
University of California, Los Angeles
Los Angeles, CA

31. Project # 2018-003 (Ruiz)
Title: A Comparison of Criminal and Violent Recidivism: Conditional Release Program-Released Patients and Directly-Discharged Patients by Legal Classification
PI: Melinda DiCiro, PsyD
California Department of State Hospitals
Sacramento, CA

32. Project # 2021-043 (Lund)
Title: Neurodevelopmental Outcomes in Infants Receiving Opioid-Replacement Pharmacotherapy for Neonatal Opioid Withdrawal Syndrome
PI: Michael Kuzniewicz, MD, MPH
Kaiser Permanente
Oakland, CA

33. Project # 2020-257 (Lund)
Title: University of California San Francisco Positive Health Program (PHP)/Ward86 Quality Improvement
PI: Monica Gandhi, MD, MPH
University of California, San Francisco
San Francisco, CA

34. Project # 12-11-0893 (Dickey)
Title: Pilot Study of Trends and Risks in Gestational Diabetes
PI: Monique Hedderson, PhD
Kaiser Permanente
Oakland, CA

35. Project # 12-11-0905 (Ruiz)
Title: Surveillance of Air Pollution and Related Cardiopulmonary Morbidity in California, 2000-2020
PI: Nargis Jareen, MPH
California Air Resources Board
Sacramento, CA

36. Project # 15-12-2357 (Dickey)
Title: Investigating Epidemiology and Long-Term Outcomes of Infectious
Endocarditis
PI: Natalia Egorova, PhD
Mount Sinai School of Medicine
New York, NY

37. Project # 15-12-2344 (Dinis)
Title: Asian and Pacific Islander Community Exposures (ACE) Project
PI: Nerissa Wu, PhD
California Department of Public Health
Richmond, CA

38. Project # 2024-004 (Schaeuble)
Title: CHIS Hate Incident Follow-On Study
PI: Ninez Ponce, PhD
University of California, Los Angeles
Los Angeles, CA

39. Project # 2024-003 (Ruiz)
Title: American Indian/Alaska Native (AIAN) CHIS Follow-On Study
PI: Ninez Ponce, PhD
University of California, Los Angeles
Los Angeles, CA

40. Project # 12-12-1006 (Dickey)
Title: Molecular Epidemiology of Pancreatic Cancer
PI: Paige Bracci, PhD, MS, MPH
University of California, San Francisco
San Francisco, CA

41. Project # 16-10-2729 (Ruiz)
Title: Pancreatic Cystic Lesions: Descriptive Epidemiology and Natural History
PI: Paige Bracci, PhD, MS, MPH
University of California, San Francisco
San Francisco, CA

42. Project # 13-02-1085 (Ruiz)
Title: The Connie Wofsy Women's Human Immunodeficiency Virus Study (HIVS) (Northern CA Women's Interagency HIVS)
PI: Phyllis Tien, MD, MSc
University of California, San Francisco
San Francisco, CA

43. Project # 12-11-0911 (Ruiz)
Title: Markers of Autism Risk in Babies—Learning Early Signs (MARBLES)
PI: Rebecca Schmidt, PhD
University of California, Davis
Davis, CA

44. Project # 2017-040 (Schaeuble)
Title: Trends in the Use of Percutaneous Intervention in Congenital Heart Disease for Pediatric Patients
PI: Rie Sakai-Bizmark, MD, MPH, PhD
The Lundquist Institute for Biomedical Innovation
Torrance, CA

45. Project # 2018-110 (Schaeuble)
Title: Preconception Health and Birth Outcomes: A National Longitudinal Study of Adolescent to Adult Health (Add Health)
PI: Robert Hummer, PhD
University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Chapel Hill, NC

46. Project # 2018-121 (Lund)
Title: Linking Birth Records to the Adolescent to Adult Health (Add Health) Cohort
PI: Robert Hummer, PhD
University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Chapel Hill, NC

47. Project # 2018-020 (Dickey)
Title: The University of California, San Diego (UCSD) Newborn Screening-
Autism Risk Study
PI: Robert Naviaux, MD, PhD
University of California, San Diego
San Diego, CA

48. Project # 2020-236 (Dinis)
Title: Evaluating Expanded Sexually Transmitted Infection (STI) Prevention,
Screening and Treatment Services in Planned Parenthood Family
Planning Clinics
PI: Rosalyn Plotzker
California Department of Public Health
Richmond, CA

49. Project # 2020-147 (Dinis)
Title: Female Asian Never Smokers (FANS) Grant Title: Elucidating Lung
Cancer Etiology Among Asian American Female Never Smokers
PI: Scarlett L Gomez, PhD
University of California, San Francisco
San Francisco, CA

50. Project # 13-02-1084 (Dickey)
Title: Perinatal Regionalization and Quality of Care
PI: Scott A Lorch, MD, MSCE
University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, PA

51. Project # 2018-095 (Dinis)
Title: The Environmental Exposures and Health Across the Nation (ENVISION)
Study: A Time-Series Study of Air Pollutant Mixtures, Heat, and Other
Environmental Exposures with Acute Morbidity
PI: Stefanie Ebelt, ScD
Emory University
Atlanta, GA

52. Project # 2020-140 (Dickey)
Title: Preventing Obesity Through Healthy Maternal Gestational Weight Gain in
the Safety Net (PROMISE)
PI: Teresa Schmidt, PhD
Oregon Community Health Information Network
Portland, OR

53. Project # 2024-008 (Hess)
Title: Language Development In Infants
PI: Toben Mintz, PhD
University of Southern California
Los Angeles, CA

54. Project # 2018-013 (Ruiz)
Title: Host Factors, Tumor Microenvironment and Survival in a Multi-Ethnic
Study of Hodgkin Lymphoma Patients
PI: Wendy Cozen, DO, MPH
Keck School of Medicine
Los Angeles, CA

J1. Projects Requiring Continuing Review—Administrative Action Taken

1. Project # 2022-217 (Rykaczewska)
Title: Input Regulations and Output Quality: Evidence from Hospitals
PI: Chandni Raja, BA
University of California, Los Angeles
Los Angeles, CA

2. Project # 2025-017 (Rykaczewska)
Title: Social Determinants of Health Associated with Poor Oncologic Outcomes in Latino and Black Patients with Hepatobiliary Malignancies
PI: Emanuel Eguia
Loma Linda University
Loma Linda, CA

3. Project # 2024-022 (Rykaczewska)
Title: Impact of Air Pollution Exposure on Metabolic Outcomes for California Residents
PI: Jason Su, PhD
University of California, Berkeley
Berkeley, CA

4. Project # 2024-191 (Rykaczewska)
Title: HIV/AIDS Cancer Match Study
PI: MEREDITH Shiels Apelberg, PhD
National Cancer Institute
Rockville, MD

5. Project # 2025-006 (Rykaczewska)
Title: Patterns of Care and Outcomes for Patients with Melanoma, Breast, Colorectal, and Cervical Cancer in California
PI: Renata Abrahao, MD, PhD, MSc
University of California, Davis
Davis, CA

K. Amendments—Projects with Revisions Approved through Expedited Review

1. Project # 12-08-0588 (Dinis)
Title: Vaccine Safety Datalink (VSD) Study
PI: Hung Fu Tseng, PhD
Kaiser Permanente—South
Pasadena, CA

2. Project # 15-10-2249 (Palacio)
Title: Sickle Cell Disease Longitudinal Data Collection
PI: Jackie Valle, MPH
California Department of Public Health
Richmond, CA

3. Project # 12-06-0393 (Ruiz)
Title: Development of State-Wide Perinatal Quality Improvement Metrics with
Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development Patient Discharge
Data/Birth Certificate Linked Data
PI: Jochen Profit, MD, MPH
Stanford University
Stanford, CA

4. Project # 12-06-0393 (Ruiz)
Title: Development of State-Wide Perinatal Quality Improvement Metrics with
Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development Patient Discharge
Data/Birth Certificate Linked Data
PI: Jochen Profit, MD, MPH
Stanford University
Stanford, CA

5. Project # 15-05-2005 (Dickey)
Title: Genetic Susceptibility to Pediatric Glioma in Individuals and Diverse
Populations
PI: Joseph Wiemels, PhD
University of California, San Francisco
San Francisco, CA

6. Project # 12-04-0075 (Dickey)
Title: Investigation of the Relation of Fine Particulate Air Pollution and
Temperature to Hospital Admissions and Emergency Room Visits in
California
PI: Keita Ebisu, PhD
California Environmental Protection Agency
Oakland, CA

7. Project # 14-10-1748 (Dickey)
Title: Assessment of Health Care Spending in California Patients with Liver
Disease
PI: Mindie Nguyen
Stanford University
Palo Alto, CA

8. Project # 17-04-2932 (Dickey)
Title: Maternal and Infant Health Outcomes: Population-Based Research on
Causes, Care, and Costs
PI: Suzan Carmichael, PhD
Stanford University
Stanford, CA

L. Projects with Request for CPHS to Rely on Another IRB

None.

M. Exemption/Not Research Approvals

1. Project # 2025-200 (Dickey)
Title: Emergency Medical Data Collection Pilot Project
PI: Celeste Doerr, PhD
California Department of Public Health
Sacramento, CA

2. Project # 2025-202 (Dickey)
Title: Adolescent Family Life Program Monitoring and Evaluation
PI: Dulce Bustamante-Zamora, PhD
California Department of Public Health
Sacramento, CA

3. Project # 2025-197 (Dickey)
Title: From Collection to Care: A Mixed Methods Study to Develop a Quality Improvement Dashboard for California's Newborn Screening Program
PI: Jamie Matteson, MPH
California Department of Public Health
Richmond, CA

4. Project # 2026-001 (Dickey)
Title: CalPERS Delivery Trends
PI: Jennifer Joseph, MPH
California Public Employees Retirement System (CalPERS)
Sacramento, CA

5. Project # 2025-190 (Hess)
Title: Synar Tobacco Purchase Survey, 2025-2026
PI: Julia Tomassilli, PhD
California State University, Sacramento
Sacramento, CA

6. Project # 2025-193 (Dickey)
Title: Routine Public Health Surveillance of Heat-Related EMS Calls
PI: Meredith Milet, MPH
California Department of Public Health
Richmond, CA

7. Project # 2025-186 (Dickey)
Title: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program – Education Defunding
Impact Project (SNAP-Ed DIP)
PI: Miranda Westfall, PhD
University of California, Davis Natural and Agricultural Resources
Davis, CA

8. Project # 2025-192 (Dickey)
Title: Opioid Surveillance
PI: Oscar Garduno, Master of Public Health
Sacramento County
Sacramento, CA

9. Project # 2025-198 (Dickey)
Title: Machine learning to enhance data-to-care initiatives
PI: Thomas Martin, MD
University of California, San Diego
San Diego, CA

N. Final Reports

1. Project # 2020-011 (Ruiz)
Title: Pollution and Healthcare
PI: Joshua Graff Zivin, PhD
University of California, San Diego
La Jolla, CA

2. Project # 2020-039 (Lund)
Title: Suicide-Related Risks Associated with Prescription Opioid Deprescribing
PI: Sonya Negriff, PhD
Kaiser Foundation Research Institute
Pasadena, CA