

Research and Policy



Goal: To develop a health research program grounded in an interdisciplinary, action-oriented approach and promote evidence-based policies that create sustainable health improvements.

Research Approaches to Inform Health Interventions

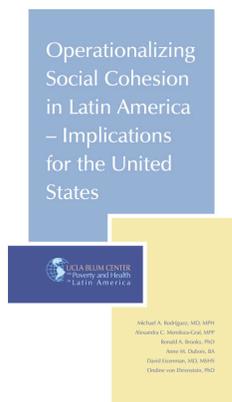
The **UCLA Blum Center**'s research activities have produced new insights on shared values of health, community engagement strategies, multi-sector collaboration and health equity agendas. We conduct research to inform health policies, programs, and community-based health and poverty interventions in the US and abroad.

Support for Health Education, Systems and Programming

Our researchers have conducted research and designed projects for chronic disease programming, workforce strengthening, systems design and health policy. A few examples follow.

The CBRE Shared Advantage Project

CBRE, the world's largest commercial real estate services firm, collaborates with **UCLA Blum Center** to identify best practices and the associations between the built environment and the health of communities. This research informs strategies and activities of CBRE Shared Advantage, an initiative designed to promote community health and well-being.



The AltaMed Institute for Health Equity



With AltaMed Health Services Corporation, **UCLA Blum Center** is establishing and directing the AltaMed Institute for Health Equity. This new initiative features a learning health system approach to improve patient outcomes at sustainable cost rates.

Translating Policy into Action

To move policy to action, the Center offers: consultation on implementation and training; policy and program analysis; support for monitoring and evaluation efforts; and advocacy-focused communications strategies.

Refining Policies Affecting Social Determinants of Health

We examine policies and their effects on social determinants of health, including workforce needs, political reparations in post-conflict societies, migration laws, access to health services, and more. With this research, policymakers can expand efforts to achieve improved health outcomes.

Publications

Our faculty members are well-known for their scholarly publications and have contributed articles and other materials for publication in journals including *American Journal of Public Health*, *Mexican Journal of Public Health*, *Ethnicity & Disease*, *Journal of General Internal Medicine*, and more.

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