

OLSON RESEARCH GROUP EXPERIMENTAL ETHNOGRAPHY LAB Social solutions for child health

Team Science Approach

Shared Purpose and Research Focus

We are united by a common purpose: to improve the lives of families whose children face critical health challenges, like heart disease in early life.

Our overarching goal is to both characterize and enhance the health and well-being of those children.

Interdisciplinary Collaboration

We celebrate the diversity of our team, including clinicians, social scientists, health scientists, community advocates, and families.

We actively seek interdisciplinary collaboration to gain holistic insights into our research areas.

Open and Inclusive Communication

We foster an environment of open and inclusive communication where every team member's voice is valued.

We encourage open dialogue and respect for diverse perspectives and experiences.

Data-Driven Approach

We study complex systems where social, technological, and biological factors interact and therefore conduct data-intensive research and where coding, data analysis, and accessible data presentation are key.

We uphold the highest standards of data integrity and accuracy.

Training and Mentorship

We are committed to providing comprehensive training opportunities for learners at all levels to develop valuable skills.

We mentor and support each other's growth and development as researchers.

Transdisciplinary Mindset

We embrace a transdisciplinary approach that breaks down barriers between social theory, advancement in medical technologies, and healthcare delivery.



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We aim to bridge gaps in understanding to improve the lives of families facing critical health challenges.

Transparency and Trust

We maintain transparency in our and decision-making and research processes

We build and nurture trust among team members, fostering a sense of psychological safety.

Ethical Conduct and Sensitivity

We adhere to the highest ethical standards in our research, especially when dealing with sensitive topics related to health and disparities.

We prioritize the well-being and dignity of research participants and subjects.

Long-Term Impact and Equity

We are committed to research that has a lasting positive impact on health outcomes, particularly for critically ill children.

We actively work to address health disparities and produce research that supports equitable outcomes

Collaboration in Project Teams

We collaborate within project teams and recognize the expertise of each team member.

We work together to achieve project-specific goals while contributing to our broader research mission.

Respect for Diversity and Commitment to Access

We celebrate and respect the diversity of our team, acknowledging that it enriches our research.

We ensure that our research is accessible, considering diverse cultural, social, and demographic factors.

Knowledge Dissemination



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We prioritize the translation of research into actionable knowledge for public benefit.

We are committed to sharing our research findings within the team and with the broader scientific community.

Our methodological innovations will be shared publicly to enable other researchers to replicate our approach and contribute to the advancement of knowledge in our areas of study.

Adaptation and Innovation

We embrace a culture of adaptation and innovation, recognizing that research is dynamic.

We encourage creative problem-solving and exploration of new research avenues.

Recognition and Collaboration Acknowledgment

We acknowledge and give credit to all team members for their contributions to projects and research outcomes.

We actively seek opportunities for collaboration and partnerships with other research groups and members of the community.

Evaluation and Assessment

We regularly evaluate and assess our team's effectiveness and performance.

We use feedback and assessments to drive improvements in our collaborative efforts.

Continuous Team Development

We invest in the ongoing development of our team members' skills and expertise.

We recognize that a well-trained and motivated team is essential for success.