New Center Addresses Mental Health of Aging Latinos

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A new center has been established to address mental health care disparities and cognitive decline in the aging Latino community, according to a statement by the University of California at Davis in Sacramento, California, the new project's main location. The Latino Aging Research Resource Center was funded through a five-year, $3 million grant from the National Institute on Aging and is only one of seven NIH-funded Resource Centers for Minority Aging Research in the nation to focus primarily on the Hispanic community. The center will encourage Latinos to participate in research and disseminate mental health information throughout the community. Initial projects will include: volunteerism's effects on cognitive health, health outcomes of Latina caregivers and the impact of neighborhood context on aging Latinos' risk for diabetes.

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