

# Learning community for research on innovations in medication abortion service delivery

# **Overview**

The Society of Family Planning Research Fund (SFPRF) is seeking Society members to join a time-limited learning community for investigators leading research on innovations in medication abortion service delivery. Selected members will join grantees from SFPRF's recent funding opportunity in monthly sessions designed to strengthen research underway and provide space for ongoing peer feedback, opportunities for collaboration, and support from policy and advocacy experts.

### **Program**

In 2021, SFPRF offered the <u>Innovations in medication abortion service</u> <u>delivery</u> funding opportunity to support research capturing innovations prompted by COVID-19 that may be uniquely positioned to contribute to the future of medication abortion service delivery.

To enhance research focused on this topic, SFPRF is offering a learning community to investigators and key team members supported by this funding opportunity as well as up to six investigators currently leading related research. The learning community will provide space for additional scientific feedback and capacity building with the support of peers and policy and advocacy experts. The objectives of the learning community are to:

- Strengthen research underway by providing ongoing peer feedback and access to experts in partner organizations; and
- Support the translation of findings into policy and practice by creating opportunities for collaboration around dissemination and access to experts in partner organizations.

Additionally, the learning community will offer a structured networking opportunity for researchers conducting related research, potentially facilitating future collaboration. Please note that, while SFPRF staff provide facilitation and administrative support, this is a space for peer support and is unrelated to reporting requirements for funded research.

# Express interest in joining by April 6, 2021

## Eligibility and selection process

We anticipate inviting up to six Society members to join the learning community in order to maximize opportunities for feedback and dialogue. We will select individuals based on the relevance of their research project to the topic of innovations in medication abortion service delivery. In addition, we will prioritize individuals who identify as BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, people of color).

We invite members to express interest in joining the learning community by April 6, 2021. Please find the expression of interest form <a href="here">here</a>.

All applicants must be able to commit to attend at least 50% of the following sessions:

- April 29, 2021 Peer feedback, methods and measures (part 1); 12:00pm ET
- May 6, 2021 Peer feedback, methods and measures (part 2); 4:00pm ET
- May 27, 2021 Communications frameworks with Margaret Conway, ConwayStrategic and Alyssa Wulf, Real Language LLC; 12:00pm ET
- June 17, 2021 Level setting on FDA with Kirsten Moore, EMAA Project;
  4:00pm ET
- July 15, 2021 Policy update; 12:00pm ET
- August 19, 2021 Peer feedback on implementation and analysis (part 1);
  4:00pm ET
- September 16, 2021 Peer feedback on implementation and analysis (part 2);
  12:00pm ET
- October 21, 2021 TBD; 4:00pm ET
- November 18, 2021 Sharpening dissemination (part 1) with Margaret Conway, ConwayStrategic; 12:00pm ET
- December 16, 2021 Sharpening dissemination (part 2) with Jennifer Driver, State Innovation Exchange; 4:00pm ET
- January 20, 2022 Workshop of early findings (part 1); 12:00pm ET
- February 17, 2022 Workshop of early findings (part 2); 4:00pm ET
- March 17, 2022 Presentation to SFP membership; 12:00pm ET

Sessions vary in length, between 60 and 90 minutes depending on the topic. All sessions will be held via Zoom.