



Association of
Immunization
Managers

Research Collaboration Request Process

The Association of Immunization Managers (AIM) is frequently approached by individuals and groups seeking to collaborate on a research project that includes surveying immunization program managers and/or other activities.

AIM staff can provide valuable expertise to outside research projects that are aligned with the mission and goals of AIM.

Those seeking to utilize AIM expertise and collaborate with AIM to conduct research activities are requested to complete the [AIM Research Collaboration Request Form](#).

The form gathers information about the purpose and goals of the project, funding source, as well as the potential collaborative research activities.

Examples of AIM collaboration include:

With AIM Staff

- Project coordination
- Proposal development
- Grant development
- Instrument design
- Pilot testing
- Instrument administration
- Data analysis
- Data interpretation
- Presentation development
- Manuscript development

With AIM Membership

- Focus group participation
- Working group participation
- Pilot testing

The completed Research Collaboration Request Form is reviewed by AIM staff according to the following criteria:

- Is there clear articulation showing significance and purpose of the project?
- Are the researcher's objectives and intent for the use of the information aligned with the goals of AIM?
- Is the project unique and not duplicative of other recent or current studies?
- Are the funding sources clearly articulated?
- Is AIM expertise available to conduct proposed collaborative research activities?
- Is the overall proposed timeline feasible?

It should be noted that individuals and groups collaborating with AIM will also submit their survey/interview instrument through the [Survey/Interview Screening and Recommendation Process](#) in order to obtain an official recommendation from AIM. In addition, for collaborative projects, we ask that results be presented to the membership prior to public release of the information, that AIM be given user rights to the identified results gathered from AIM members, and that AIM be given the opportunity to contribute towards the researcher's publishing efforts.