

Grant Proposal for Zika and West Nile Prevention

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Background: According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, a concomitant community-based initiative can be developed for Zika Virus and West Nile Virus because these two pathological conditions have many commonalities in environmental modes of transmission, prevention policy, and community-based interventions. In the words of the CDC, "Zika is caused by a flavivirus related to yellow fever, dengue, and West Nile." In the Fresno region, West Nile Virus is a more predominant concern than Zika, but education is necessary for both due to local and global potential for transmission. This poster presents the outcomes of the funding received by Dr. Helda Pinzon-Perez for the following tasks: (1) Writing of a grant proposal to be submitted to the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, (2) attendance to the World Congress on Public Health to learn multiple models for Zika and West Nile prevention, and (3) creation of a collaborative network of local community health agencies working with promotores de salud/community health workers on prevention and management of Zika and West Nile.