



**University of Southern California
Children's Hospital Los Angeles
California Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities
and Related Disorders (CA-LEND)**

2024-2025 Fellowship Application Checklist & Form

Please submit this application form and other required materials (see CA-LEND Application Checklist) as soon as possible as we have rolling admissions. The CA-LEND training program begins early-September and ends in late-May.

Notice: CA-LEND anticipates a hybrid format for the upcoming training year. Participants in the program must be local and available to participate in person. *This includes obtaining the necessary vaccination requirements for employee health compliance at CHLA.*

CA-LEND Application Checklist

- [CA-LEND Application Interest Form](#)
- Personal statement ([see below for details](#))
- Resume/ CV
- Two references (one academic and one professional/ clinical) should be asked to complete the reference form available on our website

Personal Statement

The CA-LEND training program aims to recruit fellows with a diverse range of experiences, backgrounds, and perspectives and who represent diverse intersectional identities. Each applicant is asked to submit a brief personal statement. Please limit personal statements to no more than two pages.

Please consider including the following:

- (1) your professional and personal philosophy, short- and long-term career goals, and how involvement in the CA-LEND training program will help you achieve these goals
- (2) information about your experience or work with children, families and persons with neurodevelopmental disabilities, including the diagnosis of autism spectrum disorder, or chronic health conditions

- (3) an example from your personal or professional life that highlights your leadership capacity and/or potential
- (4) your interest in the fellowship and what you hope to learn/ gain from the experience

You are welcome to include any other information you would like to share with us.

Send Completed Application and materials to:

CA-LEND Program

Attn: Leeda Sea, CA-LEND Project Coordinator

4650 Sunset Blvd., MS# 53

Los Angeles, CA 90027-6062

Phone: (323-361-5869)

Email: ca-lend@chla.usc.edu

**Please include the discipline to which you are applying in the subject line of the email*

***Feel free to call or email with any questions regarding the application process*

CA-LEND Onboarding Requirements (if accepted)
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Once a trainee is accepted to the CA-LEND program, final admission will be contingent on completion of all onboarding requirements including, but not limited to the following:

- CHLA Employee Health Services Clearance (see associated document for current vaccination and screening requirements)
- Social Security Number
- Background Check
- Completion of NIRS trainee data entry form

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We are recruiting for the following disciplines, please indicate your discipline by checking off the box next to your discipline.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Family Support	<input type="checkbox"/>	Social Work
<input type="checkbox"/>	Health Administration	<input type="checkbox"/>	Special Education
<input type="checkbox"/>	Nursing	<input type="checkbox"/>	Speech Language Pathology
<input type="checkbox"/>	Public Health	<input type="checkbox"/>	

*If applying for Self-Advocacy, please fill out the Self-Advocacy application instead which can be found on the CA-LEND website at www.ca-lead.org/apply-now

Personal Information

Name: _____
First Last Middle Initial

Address: _____
Street Unit City State Zip Code

Please check off the box with your preferred method of contact.

Phone 1: _____ Type (mobile, work, home, etc.): _____

Phone 2: _____ Type (mobile, work, home, etc.): _____

Email 1: _____ Email 2: _____

If you had selected “Phone”, please elaborate on the best days/times to contact you:

Are you a U.S. Citizen or permanent resident? Yes No

How did you learn about the CA-LEND program?