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Project “Rise Up” a Campaign to Address the Pandemics of Our Time

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Dear Colleagues and Community Members,

At the Institute for Multicultural Counseling and Education Services, Inc. (IMCES), our community clinic, we are committed to improving and saving the lives of our diverse underserved vulnerable clients and the community at large.

At this challenging time, we are becoming increasingly aware of global, existential threats. Our understanding of existential threats expanded from threats of nuclear war, climate change, and AI development, to many others. This is a “time of calling” for us as humankind to search for solutions to maintain our very sustainability on Earth.

Accordingly, I am proposing to utilize one of the effective means toward our sustainability: the very essential/needed **collaborative mindset and skillset**. I believe that advances in any domain of health, science, social system, or political system, if they are not linked and connected through “**collaboration**,” would not provide the desired outcome - in fact, they would be counterproductive.

As a response to the “calling,” I am developing the project, “Rise Up,” a campaign to address many forms of pandemics. I am inviting all of you to join me in utilizing our collaboration skill set to move together toward supporting the sustainability of our human race. This will be an ongoing effort and I will be continuously updating this section in our website with additional materials, including articles, audio recordings, videos, and other (please keep following this section).

I would like to motivate and encourage **all of us** to utilize our collaborative skillset to facilitate this opportunity. In that effort, we developed a series of educational materials, both in prevention and intervention levels, including videos, audio recordings, articles, and other materials in our website. Please download for outreach and engagement efforts throughout our communities.

Looking forward to our successful collaborative effort!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tara Pir, Ph.D.".

Dr. Tara Pir
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