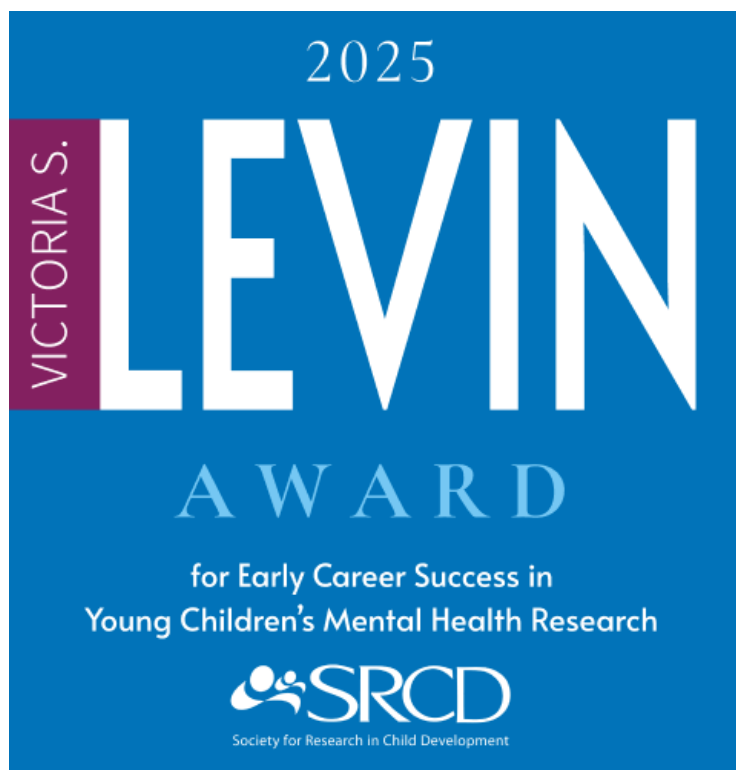


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Now Accepting Applications for the 2025 Victoria S. Levin Award (up to \$25,000 award) | Society for Research in Child Development SRCD

Deadline to submit an application is **Friday, January 9, 2026 at 11:59 p.m. ET**



SRCD is now accepting applications for the 2025 [Victoria S. Levin Award for Early Success in Young Children's Mental Health Research](#). The award honors the distinguished service of [Victoria S. Levin](#) and aims to foster early career success in achieving federal funding for research informed by developmental science that addresses concerns affecting the foundations of children's mental health. The Victoria S. Levin Award provides up to \$25,000 to pre-tenured, early-mid-career investigators and includes:

Supported **release time** from duties during which time the awardee writes and submits an application in the area of early childhood mental health to the NIH.

Travel funds for a trip to NIH to meet program staff.

Pre-review of the application. The opportunity to hire a distinguished scientist to review the application in advance of submission to NIH heightens the chances of early success.

[Dr. Laura Quiñones Camacho from University of Texas at Austin](#), recipient of the 2021 Victoria S. Levin Award, offers her advice for interested applicants: "Start early and take some time to think about how the Levin Award and future grant submission fit into your goals for the next few years and your broader research program, you will want to be clear about this in the application. Use your Levin Award application as an opportunity to start drafting the aims of the project you want to submit during the award and be as clear and specific as possible about what you are hoping to do during the award period. Doing this as you draft your application will ensure you can best utilize the protected time that comes with the award. Lastly, carefully choose a mentor who understands the value of this award and the opportunities it brings and is genuinely invested in seeing you succeed."

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