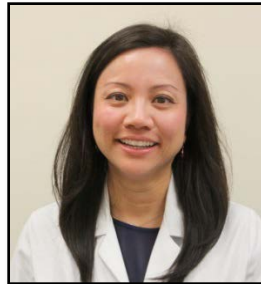


**Congratulations to the July 1, 2017
CDI Today's and Tomorrow's Children Fund Scholars**



Dr. Chu



Dr. Kuo



Dr. Jarrahy

The 12th annual **Today's and Tomorrow's Children Fund (TTCF)** awards were presented to three pediatric faculty researchers from the **UCLA Children's Discovery and Innovation Institute (CDI)** on May 17, 2017. Since 2006, the TTCF group has made a significant impact supporting innovative research at UCLA Mattel Children's Hospital and at the UCLA's CDI Institute since it was established in 2012. Applications were reviewed by a scientific committee led by Sherin Devaskar, M.D., Executive Chair of the UCLA Department of Pediatrics and the CDI Institute. Top finalists were presented to the TTCF philanthropic members who voted for final selection for funding and level of funding. Research funding period: July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

- ◆ **Alison Chu, MD** **\$70,000**
Assistant Professor, Neonatology
*"The Immunologic Mechanisms of Placental Insufficiency
and Programming of Adult Cardiovascular Disease"*

- ◆ **Caroline Kuo, MD** **\$50,000**
Assistant Clinical Professor
Pediatric Allergy & Immunology
"Targeted gene editing in the treatment of X-linked hyper-IgM syndrome"

- ◆ **Reza Jarrahy, MD** **\$41,000**
Associate Clinical Professor,
Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery, Pediatrics
"Cleft palate repair by a novel osteogenic agent, oxysterol"

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