

PROJECT S.A.V.E.

FORMER CONTACT SPORT ATHLETES NEEDED

Participate in a research study exploring how head impacts from contact sport participation impact the brain.

STUDY INFORMATION

S.A.V.E. stands for **Study of Axonal and Vascular Effects** from repetitive head impacts. The major goal of this study is to determine how repeated head impacts from playing contact sports can lead to long-term thinking, memory, and mood problems

The results of this study could inform on strategies to **treat and prevent symptoms associated with head impacts from contact sports.**

WHAT DOES PARTICIPATION IN THE STUDY INCLUDE?

- A 1-2 day study visit **at either Boston University or the University of California, San Francisco.**
- Each visit will consist of an advanced MRI of the brain; neurological, cognitive, self-report mood and behavior exams; blood samples; and an optional lumbar puncture.
- Participants will return annually.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR THE STUDY?

- **Men and women age 50 or older who played 5+ years of a contact sport,** including American football, ice hockey, soccer, lacrosse, boxing, full contact martial arts, rugby, and wrestling.

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