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# NEW GRANTS & PROGRAMS

■ **Aetna Foundation** (Hartford, CT) announced a \$15,000 grant to support the Center for Children's Advocacy's (Hartford, CT) Medical-Legal Partnership Project's (MLPP) work to reduce racial and ethnic health disparities among black and Hispanic children in Hartford, Connecticut. The center helps pediatric providers recognize and address legal problems that contribute to a child's poor health. The MLPP also works directly with families to help them access critical health care and social support services. With the support of Aetna, the MLPP is developing an institutional curriculum and consultation service at Connecticut Children's Medical Center and at St. Francis Hospital and Medical Center to help health care providers recognize children with disabilities and assist in securing access to specialized care and services. This pilot project targeting disabled children is the first of its kind in Connecticut and addresses factors that impede the health of Hartford's lowincome children. For more information, visit www.aetna-foundation.org.

AIDS United (Washington, DC) awarded funding to the Washington AIDS Partnership, (DC) an initiative of Washington Regional Association of Grantmakers. The award is one of 10 grants supported by a federal grant to AIDS United from the Social Innovation Fund to improve the lives of people living with HIV/AIDS. Washington AIDS Partnership's grant will support the development of Positive Pathways,

an evidence-based structural intervention that will address barriers to HIV medical care for African-American women living in the poorest neighborhoods of Washington, DC. The program will identify out-of-care women and use strategically placed community health workers (CHWs) to provide critical information about living with HIV/AIDS and support them throughout the early part of their medical care until they become fully engaged. Additionally, several CHWs will be strategically situated to reach very highrisk heterosexual men in the same social and sexual networks as the primary target population to protect and improve the health of both men and women at a population level. Contact: Channing Wickham, 202.939.3380, wickham@ washingtongrantmakers.org.

■ Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota Foundation (Eagan) has announced intended funding through Growing Up Healthy: Kids and Communities, a multiyear grantmaking initiative that began in 2006. The foundation will award planning grants of up to \$25,000 to organizations and their community partners that will develop a shared vision of how to improve and protect the health of children across the state through projects that address health and at least two of three areas: early childhood development, housing, and the environment. In addition, projects can also address improving access to healthy food and community design that encourages active living. Upon completing the planning process and developing a written action plan, partnerships can apply for an implementation grant of up to \$150,000 over three years. For more information, visit,

# **GIHNEWS**

# GIH STATE GRANT WRITING FUND AWARDS

GIH is pleased to announce the award recipients of the GIH State Grant Writing Assistance Fund whose purpose is to provide matching funds to state and local foundations offering grant writing assistance to implement aspects of the Affordable Care Act.

- Community Memorial Foundation (with The Chicago Community Trust)
- Con Alma Foundation
- Empire Health Foundation
- Foundation for a Healthy Kentucky
- Foundation for the Mid South
- HNHfoundation (with New Hampshire Charitable Foundation and Endowment for Health)
- Maine Health Access Foundation
- The Mt. Sinai Health Care Foundation (with The George Gund Foundation, Saint Luke's Foundation of Ohio, and The Health Foundation of Greater Cincinnati)
- New York State Health Foundation
- Rose Community Foundation (with Colorado Health Foundation)
- Virginia Health Care Foundation

Funds are still available. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis, until the fund is depleted. Visit www.gih.org for details.

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www.bcbsmnfoundation.org. Contact: Julie Lee, 651.662.6574.

■ DentaQuest Foundation

(Boston, MA) recently awarded a grant totaling \$152,670 to the Virginia Oral Health Coalition (VOHC), a statewide advocacy organization created to bring excellent oral health to all Virginians through policy change, public awareness, and innovative new programs. As the statewide oral health coalition, VOHC is dedicated to changing the perception of oral health, removing barriers to accessing oral health services, and building an oral health infrastructure that can meet the needs of Virginia's underserved communities. This grant supports the foundation's mission to strengthen community initiatives and

strategies, to strengthen the dental care

safety net, to increase access to care for

health. Contact: Michelle Roberts,

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vulnerable children, and to improve oral

### ■ Foundation for a Healthy Kentucky (Louisville) announced four Social Innovation Fund grants totaling \$1 million to improve access to health services, reduce health risks and disparities, and promote health equity in communities throughout Kentucky. Home of the Innocents (Louisville) will use funding to establish a dental clinic at the newly opened interdisciplinary **Hockensmith Pediatric Assessment Center**, which will serve children in state care, children with special health care needs, and other children and families served by the home and its partner agencies. Funding for the St. Joseph Health **System** (Lexington) will support efforts to establish primary care clinics in Powell and Wolfe counties, two lowincome rural communities. Cumberland Family Medical Center (Burkesville) will use grant funds to expand the scope of services provided in McCreary County to include X-ray technology and utilize health information technology to connect with other center sites. Montgomery County Health Department (Mt. Sterling) will establish a health education/navigation program to serve low-income populations in Montgomery,

Bath, and Menifee counties. Contact:

Valerie Salley, 502.326.2583, vsalley@ healthy-ky.org.

■ Greater Rochester Health Foundation (NY) announced intended funding to support organizations working to improve nutrition and increase physical activity of children ages 2 to 12 in New York's Monroe County. Funding will be awarded in three categories: schools, which will provide up to \$10,000 to public, private, charter, or parochial schools; community, which will support recreation centers, youth athletic programs, faith-based programs, and after-school programs with grants up to \$7,5000; and child care, with grants up to \$5,000 for child care centers. For more information, visit www.thegrhf.org. Contact: Lynnette Loomis, 585.258.1717, lloomis@ thegrhf.org.

**Jeff Gordon Children's Foundation** (Charlotte, NC) donated \$280,000 to CureSearch for Children's Cancer (Bethesda, MD) to support the Children's Oncology Group's Long Term Follow-Up Center at the Keck School of Medicine, University of Southern California. This center is gathering data to understand the long-term health consequences of children being treated for cancer. The center was created because changes in therapies and increased numbers of long-term survivors have mandated the need to better understand and improve long-term effects of treatment. Children's cancer survivors are voluntarily enrolled and are monitored from the beginning of treatment to the end, then into adulthood and for the rest of their lives. CureSearch for Children's Cancer funds the collaborative research of the Children's Oncology Group, the largest cooperative pediatric cancer research group, consisting of 210 member hospitals worldwide and where 90 percent of American children with cancer are treated. Contact: Erica Neufeld, 240.235.2201.

■ **HNH** *foundation* (Concord) awarded \$591,000 in grants during its 2010 program year to support health-related initiatives, organizations, and municipalities that serve children and families throughout New Hampshire.

Foundation for Healthy Communities (Concord) received two grants totaling \$225,185 for general operating support for the Healthy Eating Active Living (HEAL) NH Home (Concord, NH) and for HEAL community grants. Two grants totaling \$85,000 were awarded to **Public Policy Institute of Boston** (MA) to support public policy and advocacy work on children's health and dental insurance coverage and for capacity building for NH Voices for Health. Keene State College (NH) received two grants totaling \$59,712 for equipment purchases to increase physical activity and improve access to healthy foods at five early learning centers in the Keene region, and for the Early Sprouts research project, a "seed-to-table" nutrition program for low-income children up to age five and their parents. For more information and a complete list of grantees, visit www.hnhfoundation.org. Contact: Sandi Van Scoyoc, 603.229.3260, svs@hnhfoundation.org.

■ Health Foundation of South **Florida** (Miami) approved more than \$1 million for 14 grants focused on increasing access to quality, primary health care; healthy lifestyles promotion; preventive health-measures; oral health, as well as other community health needs. Among the grantees are: Broward County Health Department (Ft. Lauderdale) – \$150,000 to provide breast and cervical cancer screening services to uninsured women: Health Choice Network (Doral) - \$100,000 to support nine community health centers to obtain accreditation from the National Committee for Quality Assurance patient-centered medical homes; Open Door Health Center (Homestead) – \$100,000 to support the provision of primary care to low-income, uninsured individuals in South Dade; **Broward Community & Family** Health Centers (Hollywood) - \$80,000 to adopt a new Diabetes Self-Management Program; Belafonte **Tacolcy Center** (Miami) – \$40,000 to increase access to healthy foods through a farmer's market and community garden initiative; and the Good News Care Center (Florida City) - \$50,000 to divert low-income, uninsured patients from emergency room usage to primary

care services. Contact: Shari Gantman, 305.374.9199

- Healthcare Georgia Foundation (Atlanta) awarded more than \$1 million to 15 health organizations and programs benefiting Georgians. Among the grantees are: Hayslett Group LLC (Atlanta) - \$260,000 to execute the second year of a statewide advocacy campaign to advance public health in Georgia; Grady Memorial Hospital Corporation (Atlanta) - \$230,000 to continue its patient navigator program to increase access to primary and preventive care at Grady's eight neighborhood health centers in Fulton and DeKalb counties; Georgia Campaign for Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention, Inc. (Atlanta) – \$150,000 to implement an advocacy and policy project to strengthen local capacity in Albany and Clayton counties to address comprehensive teen pregnancy prevention; Georgia Center for Nonprofits, Inc. (Atlanta) – \$140,000 to support Phase IV of the Healthcare Georgia Capacity Building Project, including the provision of organizational assessments for nonprofit health organizations and implementation of capacity building workshops. Contact: Toni Almasy, 404.688.9005, toni@
- **Kaiser Permanente** (Oakland, CA) funded more than 780 grants nationwide, totaling approximately \$54 million in the fourth quarter of 2010. MAZON: A Jewish Response to Hunger (Los Angeles, CA) received the first installment of a \$618,010 Community Benefit grant allocated for 30 months to the organization's Healthy Options, Healthy Meals program, a two-and-ahalf year initiative that aims to strengthen the capacity of food banks across Kaiser Permanente's eight regions to achieve healthier food options for those served by emergency food programs. California Food Policy Advocates (Oakland, CA) received \$325,000 to improve access to food stamp programs and increase participation in school meal initiatives. LaClinica De La Raza (Oakland, CA) received \$450,000 toward efforts to establish a new primary care clinic for under- and uninsured residents living in the far-

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reaching areas of East Contra Costa County. In addition, Kaiser Permanente awarded \$1 million in funding to five community colleges in the Mid-Atlantic region to help address the critical need for qualified health professionals, such as laboratory technicians and nurses. Recipients were: Baltimore City, Community College (MD); Montgomery College (Rockville, MD); Northern Virginia Community College (Fairfax); Prince George's Community College (Largo, MD); and the Community College of the District of Columbia. Each institution will allocate scholarship funds to educate low-income nursing and allied health students. An estimated 550 students will benefit from the scholarships. Contact: Lorna Fernandes, 510.271.5624, lorna.d.fernandes@kp.org.

■ W.K. Kellogg Foundation (Battle Creek, MI) announced \$1.2 million in funding to provide low-income people in Michigan with improved access to healthy, fresh food by doubling the value of federal Supplemental Nutrition **Assistance Program** (SNAP) benefits used at farmers' markets. Through Double Up Food Bucks, shoppers use SNAP benefit cards to purchase fresh foods at farmers' markets. For every \$2 spent, they receive \$2 in bonus tokens, up to \$20 in tokens per visit. Those tokens can then be used to buy more fresh locally grown foods at the market. Double Up Food Bucks is serving residents in Battle Creek, Detroit, Ypsilanti, and Ann Arbor and anticipates serving residents in Flint, Grand Rapids, Kalamazoo, Lansing, Saginaw, and Traverse City. In the counties in which these cities belong, an average of 17 percent of residents receive SNAP benefits and 30 percent of children receive food assistance. For more information, visit www.wkkf.org.

#### Partners for Health Foundation

(Montclair, NJ) awarded a \$450,000 grant to three local middle schools to fund **Strengthening the Safety Net in the Middle Schools**, a collaborative mental health initiative focusing on the promotion of social, emotional, and behavioral health of students.

Bloomfield Middle School, Mount Hebron Middle School (Montclair), and Henry B. Whitehorne Middle **School** (Verona) will each receive a grant award of \$150,000, to be paid in \$50,000 increments over three years. Each school is partnering with a mental health agency to design an in-school program that will promote the social, emotional, and behavioral well-being of students. The initiative is designed as a comprehensive approach, addressing not only treatment, but prevention and promotion of mental health as well. Additional funding has been allocated for the Center for Healthy Schools, Families and Communities, a department of University Behavioral Health Care at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey to bring specialized expertise that will provide the schools and agencies with resources and technical assistance in the development of their programs. Additionally, the Center for Healthy Schools will help the teams identify ways to evaluate and measure the programs' effectiveness. Contact: Pam Scott, 973.746.6130, ext. 11.

- WellPoint Foundation (Indianapolis, IN) has committed \$5 million over three years to Boys & Girls Clubs of America (BGCA) (Atlanta, GA) as a cosponsor of Triple Play: A Game Plan for the Mind, Body, and Soul (Triple Play). Established in 2005, Triple Play is a proven health and wellness program aimed at encouraging Boys & Girls Club members to eat healthier, become more physically active, and increase their ability to engage in healthy relationships (soul). To date, more than one million young people have participated in the program. The foundation's commitment will bring the program to more communities and support several Triple Play-related initiatives in 2011. These include an attempt to break a physical activity-related Guinness World Record and helping club families get healthy through the second annual Triple Play Fit Family Challenge. Contact: Scott Larrivee, 262.523.4746, scott.larrivee@anthem.com.
- Winter Park Health Foundation (FL) awarded grants totaling \$273,000 to three central Florida churches to

establish faith community nursing programs. The grants are designed to help improve the health of the community by supporting expansion of the successful faith community nursing model, which integrates faith and health. Selected grant recipients are Redeemer Lutheran Church (Winter Park), First Congregational Church (Winter Park), and First Presbyterian Church (Maitland). The programs, which are scheduled to begin in February, will include an eight-day intensive education program for the newly hired nurses, in preparation for their new assignments. The grants are part of a \$500,000 grant initiative launched by the foundation in 2010 to support faith community nursing programs and other faithbased health promotion activities in Winter Park, Maitland, and Eatonville. Contact: Lynn Phillips Carolan, 407.644.2300, ext. 234 or lcarolan@wphf.org.

# SURVEYS, STUDIES & PUBLICATIONS

■ The Chicago Community Trust (IL) released Renewing the Commitment: An ADA Compliance Guide for Nonprofits, an on-line publication intended to assist nonprofits and others in understanding the principles of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and developing their own plans for compliance. The trust partnered with ADA One, LLC, and an advisory group of nonprofits and organizations of people with disabilities, to create the guide for nonprofits throughout the country, but with specific Chicago-area resources. The guide begins with an overview of how individuals may experience disability and the law's principles. It includes a checklist for evaluating current efforts and explores issues faced by many nonprofits (including communications, access to facilities, and holding meetings and events). It then applies these concepts to specific types of services and activities, such as health care, human services, recreation, and the arts. Practical tools include an agenda for action with seven steps of compliance; a tip sheet

that guides staff on important matters, such as convening accessible meetings; and resources and links to important information. The on-line version is accessible at www.cct.org/disabilities. Contact: Eva Penar, 312.616.8000 x 161, evap@cct.org.

■ Missouri Foundation for Health (MFH) (St. Louis) is funding a countylevel study of tobacco use and associated diseases among Missouri residents. The foundation has committed \$2 million to the study, which will produce a comparison of progress within counties to reduce the impact of tobacco use on the health of state residents. The study is a partnership of MFH, the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (MDHSS), ICF Macro International, and the University of Missouri Health and Behavior Risk Research Center (MU). This 2011 study is a follow-up to a similar one conducted in 2007. MFH, MDHSS, and MU partnered then to conduct the first-ever county-level tobacco study in Missouri, and reached 50,000 Missourians. MFH has provided funding for both surveys. The current survey will mirror questions asked in 2007, focusing on Missourians' experience with all tobacco products and any health issues related to tobacco use. MFH plans to release formal reports detailing the study's findings. Contact: Julie Johnson, 314.345.5580, jjohnson@mffh.org.

■ New York Stae Health Foundation (New York) funded a recent study that focused on mental health issues for New York state residents who served in Iraq and Afghanistan. The study, which was conducted by the RAND Corporation, revealed that these veterans are at high risk for mental health problems. According to the report, 22 percent of those studied were found to have a probable diagnosis of post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) and/or major depression. Further, veteran participants were eight times more likely to experience PTSD and at a two- to fourfold higher risk of experiencing major depression than the general population. Findings also indicate that 42 percent do not have a good understanding of their benefits and nearly half prefer to

receive services in the community rather than through the Veterans Administration. The report recommends improving outreach efforts to New York's returning veterans and their families, as well as increasing the availability and coordination of community-based services to meet their needs. For more information, visit www. nyshealthfoundation.org.

- **The SCAN Foundation** (Long Beach, CA) released a fact sheet that outlines program reductions contained in the 2011-2012 California state budget proposed by Governor Edmond G. Brown, Jr. The fact sheet focuses on suggestions for program reductions that will impact seniors and their caregivers. The proposed budget call for cuts to the In-Home Supportive Services program, Medi-Cal, and the Supplemental Security Income/State Supplementary Payment program. It also calls for the elimination of the Adult Day Health Care program and the **Multipurpose Senior Services** Program. The fact sheet is available at www.thescanfounation.org.
- United Hospital Fund's (New York, NY) Medicaid Institute released "Revisioning" Medicaid as Part of New York's Coverage Continuum, a report that examines Medicaid's eligibility and enrollment processes in light of New York's implementation of federal health care reform and the transition of Medicaid administration from local governments to the state. Among the critical changes discussed in the report is the need for information systems that can accommodate increased numbers of applicants with differing language skills and can handle real-time matching of eligibility information with existing government databases. Also critical will be reform of rules that impede the goal of simplifying the enrollment process. The report notes that the discussed reforms are essential to increasing eligible individuals' participation in Medicaid and allowing seamless coordination with subsidized coverage through the insurance exchange. The full report is available at www.uhfnyc.org. Contact: Bob de Luna, 212.494.0733, rdeluna@uhfnyc.org.

## **AWARDS**

■ The Baxter International

- Foundation (Deerfield, IL) has awarded the 2010 Foster G. McGraw **Prize for Excellence in Community** Services to Allegiance Health (Jackson, MI). The \$100,000 prize is presented to a health care organization that provides innovative programs that significantly improve the health and well-being of its community. The award is sponsored by the foundation, as well as the American Hospital Association and the Health **Research & Educational Trust** (Chicago, IL). Allegiance Health is a community-owned, locally governed, integrated health system that includes more than 40 sites of care, including both short-term and long-term acute care hospitals, a network of primary care clinics and diagnostic centers, home care and hospice services, a diabetes center, and a wound care center. Named as finalists for this year's award and receiving \$10,000 each are: Augusta Health (Fishersville, VA), Palmetto Health (Columbia, SC), and Wrangell Medical Center (AK). Contact: Elaine Salewske, 805.372.3142.
- **CDC Foundation** (Atlanta, GA) is accepting nominations for the annual CDC Foundation Hero Award. The award recognizes an individual who has made a significant contribution to improving the public's health through exemplary work in advancing the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's mission of promoting health and quality of life by preventing and controlling disease, injury, and disability. Nominees, who can be individuals or teams, must embody the characteristics of leadership, innovation, and scholarship, with a commitment to excellence in public health on a national or international scale. Nominations must be received by March 15, 2011. For more information and to download nomination materials, visit www.cdcfoundation.org.
- Health Trust (Campbell, CA)
  announced that its guidebook Health
  Steps in Silicon Valley was selected as a
  Gold Medal winner in the 17<sup>th</sup> annual

**National Healthy Information** Awards, a program of the Health Information Resource Center, a national clearinghouse for consumer health information programs and materials. The publication is a practical guide designed to inspire and connect adults 50 years and older with a variety of opportunities for health and community involvement in Silicon Valley, and addresses staying active in and out of the home, locating affordable local resources, fall prevention, managing common health issues, and nutrition. It is available in English and Spanish. The guidebook was designed by Health Research for Action at the University of California, Berkeley in consultation with the trust and an advisory council of experts within Santa Clara County. Contact: Lori Andersen, 408.879.4111. loria@healthtrust.org.

## **OTHER NEWS**

- Blue Shield of California Foundation (San Francisco) has selected 25 health clinic professionals from throughout California to participate in the 2012 class of the Clinic Leadership Institute (CLI). Individuals in CLI's fourth cohort are committed to the clinic field and will grow their leadership skills and the performance of their host clinics through participation in the program. Over the next 18 months, CLI participants will attend intensive sessions that will hone participants' skills in the areas of financial management, strategy development, and health care policy. They will also have the opportunity to apply their new skills to special projects in their clinics. The program is administered by the Center for the Health Professions at the University of California, San Francisco, and was designed with input from community clinic representatives, as well as regional and national experts in the field of leadership development. Contact: Eric Antebi, 415.901.0111, eantebi@fenton.com.
- Maine Health Access Foundation (MeHAF) (Augusta) announced that Maine's HealthInfoNet was recognized

as a finalist innovator organization in the February 2011 issue of *Health* Informatics magazine. HealthInfoNet, Maine's statewide health information exchange (HIE), is the first HIE to receive this recognition. HealthInfoNet currently connects 15 hospitals, a primary care organization, and nearly 1,200 users, which represents approximately half of all clinical care activity in the state. Plans to enhance the HIE include adding analysis capabilities and population health tools. Organizers also hope to eventually connect the entire state. For more information, visit www.mehaf.org/news.

■ Paso del Norte Health Foundation (El Paso, TX) announced that more than 50 individuals representing a wide range of agencies and organizations within the Paso del Norte region have formed **HEAL** (Healthy Eating and Active Living), a new coalition to encourage healthy eating and active living in order to combat obesity. HEAL has worked with the cities of El Paso and Socorro, Texas, to pass resolutions to promote healthy eating and active living within their workforce and within the cities in general. For more information on the HEAL Coalition, call 915.544.7636 or e-mail health@pdnhf.org.

### **PEOPLE**

■ Community Memorial Foundation (Hindsdale, IL) has elected its 2011 officers and added two new directors. Deborah Daro, Ph.D. was elected board chair. Dr. Daro is a research fellow at Chapin Hall at the University of Chicago. Jeffery Simmons, managing director for Dearborn Partners, LLC, is vice chair. The board's treasurer is **John** Madden, chairman and CEO of FNBC of La Grange. Beth Prohaska is board secretary. She works for Comerica Bank as first vice president and serves as national director for the bank's Taft-Harley Services. The new directors are Anthony Perry, M.D. and Ruby Roy, **M.D.** Dr. Perry is director of the Johnston R. Bowman Health Center and associate professor of internal medicine at Rush University Medical

Center. Dr. Roy is associate professor at University of Chicago, clinically based at La Rabida Children's Hospital, and the former pediatric medical director at Community Nurse Health Association in La Grange. Contact: Jim Durkan, 630.654.4729, jdurkan@cmfdn.org.

- The Dorothy Rider Pool Health Care Trust (Allentown, PA) announced that Joseph Napolitano, Ph.D., program officer at the trust, was elected chair of the Pennsylvania State Board of Nursing. Dr. Napolitano was originally appointed to the board in 2008, and currently serves on several committees, including the Advance Practice Committee and the Application Review Committee. Before joining the trust, he served as a staff nurse and assistant nurse manager in the Trauma/Critical Care-Surgical Intensive Care Unit at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania. He was also assistant administrator for operations in nursing administration at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York City. For more information, visit www.pooltrust.org.
- St. Luke's Foundation (Cleveland. OH) announced three additions to its board of trustees: Francis Afram-

Gyening, Arthur Lavin, M.D., and Belva Denmark Tibbs. Mr. Afram-Gyening, who currently serves as CEO of Care Alliance Health Center in Cleveland, brings more than 20 years of health care experience to the board. Dr. Lavin is owner and pediatrician of Advanced Pediatrics. He is also on staff of University Hospitals' Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospital and Hillcrest Hospital, and serves as associate clinical professor of pediatrics at the Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine. Ms. Tibbs is vice president of medical operations for Kaiser Permanente, Ohio. She has over 20 years of experience in the health care industry. Contact: Kimberly St. John-Stevenson, 216.431.8010, ext. 202, kstjohn@ saintlukesfoundation.org.

Williamsburg Community Health **Foundation** (VA) announced the appointment of three new board members. Trustees joining the board for a three-year term are: James R. Golden, vice president, strategic initiatives at the College of William and Mary; **Dr. Joyce** M. Jarrett, Old Dominion distinguished professor of English at Hampton University; and Richard H. Rizk, an attorney with Geddy, Harris, Franck and Hickman. Contact: Ross Richardson, 757.345.2614, rrichardson@wchf.com.

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