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NEW GRANTS & PROGRAMS

- **Archstone Foundation** (Long Beach, CA) announced the approval of 14 grants for more than \$1 million to California-based organizations that address the needs of older adults. Among the grantees are: **University of Southern California** (Los Angeles) – \$89,487 to support the **Fall Prevention Connect Project**, a collaboration with the Los Angeles Fire Department Emergency Services Department, the Fall Prevention Center of Excellence, and various aging and housing organizations to connect older adults who have fallen with supportive community services; **Age Well Senior Services, Inc.** (Laguna Woods) – \$79,358 to support the **Wrap Around Support for Families Project**, which will provide case management to more than 150 seniors and expand the service network with local hospitals; and **WISE and Healthy Aging** (Santa Monica) – \$75,000 to support the expansion of **WISE Connections** by providing inclusive services that support social, mental, and physical health, and facilitate everyday tasks, thus enabling members to live quality lives in their homes as long as possible. Contact: Tanisha Davis, 562.590.8655, tdavis@archstone.org.
- **Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota Foundation** (Eagan) awarded \$518,500 in grants to nonprofit organizations statewide to support 16 projects that address the mental health and social adjustment of refugees and immigrants, including Karen and Burmese refugees, among the newest

communities in Minnesota. Grants were awarded to the following organizations whose work includes the growing Karen community: **Amherst H. Wilder Foundation** (St. Paul) – \$40,000 to increase access to culturally appropriate mental health services in the Twin Cities metropolitan area; **Catholic Charities** (St. Paul and Minneapolis) – \$10,000 for a peer mentorship training project for newly arriving refugees to help build strong social networks that promote support and resilience; **Center for Victims of Torture** (Minneapolis) – \$50,000 for the **Partnership in Healing** project to pilot a program to ensure that incoming refugees are screened for mental health issues and connected with appropriate healing services; and **Vietnamese Social Services of Minnesota** (St. Paul) – \$40,000 to support a Karen community health worker. Contact: Julie Lee, 651.662.6574.

- **The Blue Foundation for a Healthy Florida, Inc.** (Jacksonville) approved grants to Florida health nonprofits that provide services to the state's uninsured. Among the grantees are: **Lotus House Women's Shelter** (Miami) – \$100,000 to build an onsite health clinic at a shelter for women and children in Miami-Dade County; **St. Lucie County Health Access Network** (Ft. Pierce) – \$100,000 to help construct, equip, and staff the first and only free medical clinic in St. Lucie County; **Volunteers in Medicine Clinic** (Jacksonville) – \$100,000 to enhance access to health services for the working uninsured living in Duval County; **Institute for Children and Family Health** (Miami) – \$99,242 to double the amount of

GIHNEWS

2010 FALL FORUM FOCUSES ON WOMEN'S HEALTH

Save the date for the 2010 GIH Fall Forum *Improving Women's Health from Communities to Care Settings*, November 9-10 in Washington, DC. The two-day program will focus on many aspects of women's health, including racial and ethnic health disparities, the social determinants of health, environmental health and justice, and other women's health challenges. Visit www.gih.org for more information.

2011 TERRANCE KEENAN NOMINATIONS

Be sure to enter your submissions for the 2011 recipient of The Terrance Keenan Leadership Award in Health Philanthropy. This is the time to nominate your colleagues for a prestigious award, that acknowledges grantmakers who have shown innovation, boldness and leadership in the philanthropic community. Nominations must be received by Friday, September 10, 2010.

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children helped at this pediatric mental and behavioral health clinic in Miami-Dade County; and **Dental Care Access Foundation** (Orlando) – \$82,100 to bring more dental services to uninsured residents in Osceola County. Contact: Mark Wright, 904.905.6935, mark.wright@bcbsfl.com.

■ **Blue Shield of California**

Foundation (San Francisco) awarded \$6 million in grants. More than half of this funding focuses on sustaining operations at domestic violence shelters across California. A \$330,000 grant was awarded to the **Nonprofit Finance Fund** (San Francisco) to provide financial consulting to shelters that are especially impacted by the current economic climate. The foundation also awarded \$30,000 to **Marin Abused Women's Services** (San Rafael) to identify and share best practices for helping faith-based organizations address domestic violence in their communities. In addition to funding to address domestic violence, the foundation committed \$1.9 million to its **Clinic Leadership Institute** to support a fourth cohort of emerging community clinic leaders. The program is administered by the Center for the Health Professions at the University of California, San Francisco. For more information, visit www.blueshieldcafoundation.org.

■ **The Colorado Health Foundation**

(Denver) launched a loan fund program that will make \$3 million in short-term loans available to financially stable organizations. The foundation established the fund to reduce the impact of the economic downturn on health care providers and especially to assist Colorado-based health care providers that are affected by the state's decision to delay Medicaid payments to maintain its reserves. The loan fund is only available to nonprofits that receive grants from the Colorado Health Foundation as of June 1, 2010. The foundation is working with Arlington, Virginia-based NCB Capital Impact, (NCBCI) a national intermediary lender to nonprofits. NCBCI, which will manage most aspects of the loan fund, has promised a one-week turnaround for requests from health centers impacted by the Medicaid payment

freeze. The turnaround time for other grantees is three to four weeks. Loan amounts, which have an interest rate of 4 percent, are available between \$50,000 and \$300,000 and are structured as revolving lines of credit for 12 months, renewable annually. Contact: Bob Mook, 303.953.3686.

■ **Hogg Foundation for Mental**

Health (Austin, TX) awarded \$50,000 scholarships to 10 students in honor of the foundation's 70th anniversary. Scholarship recipients must attend a Texas graduate social work program that is accredited or pending accreditation by the National Council on Social Work Education. The scholarship recipients are: **Sonya Baker, Stephen F. Austin University; Mary Di Giacomo, Our Lady of the Lake University; Ashley Montondon, The University of Houston; Heather Portillo, Abilene Christian University; Suzanne White, Baylor University; Arnold Williams, Texas State University - San Marcos; Marisa Pineda, The University of Texas - Pan American; Elizabeth Lepe, The University of Texas at Arlington; Heather Teel, The University of Texas at Austin; and Melba Gomez, The University of Texas at San Antonio.** Contact: Merrell Foote, 512.471.9142, merrell.foote@austin.utexas.edu.

The HSC Foundation (Washington, DC) announced the release of two companion studies presenting consumer perspectives on adolescent health.

Parents' Perspectives on Health Care for Adolescents, a focus group study of more than 60 low-income parents in Chicago, Los Angeles, Miami, and Washington, DC, finds parents are extremely concerned about the significant health issues facing adolescents today. The study revealed that parents want more guidance from health professionals in identifying early warning signs of health problems and believe a teen friendly health care site with information from an experienced and caring professional staff would positively affect their teens' health outcomes. ***Adolescents' Experiences and Views on Health Care***, also a focus group study with more than 200 low-income adolescents in the same four cities, finds that adoles-

cents have clear ideas about how to structure a health care delivery system to help them change their behaviors and improve their health. They also recommended a health care site that was accessible and inviting, with a wide range of primary care services in one place, and with knowledgeable and caring staff. Contact: Margaret McManus, 202.223.1500.

■ **Kansas Health Foundation**

(Wichita) has given \$709,786 to help organizations across the state accomplish 43 projects aimed at improving the health and wellness of Kansans. The foundation awarded \$25,000 to **Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas** (Overland Park) to improve health outcomes among infants born to low-income and high-risk mothers in northeast and east central Kansas through home visits. Another \$25,000 grant was awarded to **USD 244 Burlington Public Schools** to support the PAWS program's efforts to increase physical fitness and nutrition among Coffey County children through after-school programming. The **National Kidney Foundation** (Overland Park) received a \$20,000 grant to identify and address kidney disease among Kansans through assessment and screenings in Topeka, Wichita, Manhattan, Overland Park, and Kansas City. **Coterie for the Dramatic AIDS Education Project** (Kansas City) will use a \$12,000 grant to pair actors with medical students to provide dramatic presentations at schools, community centers, and other facilities to provide prevention information on HIV/AIDS and STDs. Contact: Kathy Manweiler, 316.262.7676, kmanweiler@khf.org.

■ **Missouri Foundation for Health**

(St. Louis) awarded \$2.5 million to 56 Missouri-based organizations that work to improve the health of Missourians across the state. Among the grantees are: **Living Word Apostolic Church** (St. Louis) – \$132,000 to implement the **Project Smokebusters** curriculum in five high schools in the St. Louis Public School district, create a media campaign, and support tobacco policy change; **Safe House for Women Inc.** (Cape Girardeau) – \$94,815 to hire a case

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Riverside Community Health Foundation

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The Riverside Community Health Foundation was established in 1997 as a result of the conversion of Riverside Community Hospital from a nonprofit to a for-profit corporation. The foundation is a public charity that operates its own health education programs and makes grants to other Riverside-based nonprofits and governmental agencies focusing on health. Due to the transaction's timing, as well as relevant activity in the California State Legislature just prior to the transaction, the Office of the State Attorney General established very specific guidelines for distribution of funds. The charitable expenditures made from the trust must adhere to the following: no less than 55 percent of the expenditures are to be made for inpatient care, no more than 42.5 percent for outpatient care, and no more than 2.5 percent for health education. The final requirement is that all expenditures are required to benefit residents within specific Riverside zip codes that formerly accounted for the majority of the hospital's primary service area.

Program Information: The foundation's mission is "to improve the health and well-being of our community." Thus, its grantmaking process focuses on community-based health care issues affecting children and families. The foundation's priority areas include increasing and improving community access to health care, improving community health through prevention and education, expanding health insurance for children, and supporting area nonprofit hospitals.

► Financial Information:

Total Assets: \$65 Million (FY 2009)
Amount Dedicated to Health-Related Grants: \$2.7 million (FY 2009)

► Representative Health Programs, Grants, and Special Initiatives:

- **Two Community Clinics** – Conducting more than 32,000 patient visits annually, the facilities provide medical, dental, and vision care to uninsured local residents, in partnership with a Federally Qualified Health Center.
- **Miles of Smiles Dental Program** – Students at 28 area elementary schools receive onsite screenings, sealants, and education in oral hygiene through this program, which was started in 2001. The program serves more than 18,000 children each year.
- **Health Education** – This initiative offers more than 20,000 interventions annually through health seminars, health fairs, cooking classes, fitness classes, workshops, screenings, and outreach and education with *promotoras*.

- **Health In Motion** – For the past 11 years, the foundation has funded the use of a 38-foot mobile vehicle to provide medical services to the community. The foundation currently partners with Path of Life Ministries to serve one of the area's most vulnerable populations – the homeless.
- **Teen Health and Youth Development** – Since 1999, the foundation has offered several programs, such as Project t.e.a.m., Project X-Men, and Peer to Peer, as well as other strategies to provide more than 7,500 teen interventions annually.
- **Riverside Community Diabetes Collaborative (RCDC)** – In response to the prevalence of diabetes among Riverside residents, the foundation convened key stakeholders to form a collaborative to fight diabetes on a unified front, by maximizing the resources of diverse organizations. The collaborative has developed a diabetes resource guide; facilitates U.S. Diabetes Conversation Map® classes for diabetes management; and created Follow the Leader, a behavior change-focused health curriculum geared towards parents of Head Start/preschool aged children. RCDC will be launching an awareness campaign along with increasing diabetes prevention strategies.
- **Health Executive Exchange (HEXEX)** – HEXEX is a health initiative formed by more than 80 top executives from hospitals and clinics, health service agencies, businesses, civic leadership, service organizations, grassroots organizations, and other entities. Key focus areas include health issues that are not currently being addressed and the need for a cohesive and unified advocacy platform for the region.

Role of Philanthropy in Meeting

Pressing Needs: *"More than ever, I believe it is vital that foundations establish key partnerships throughout the communities they serve. Because no one entity can address all the pressing needs of our society, it is through the strength of many that we can make the greatest impact. This comes when we collaborate, utilize our resources, and leverage our funds."*

Daniel P. Anderson, D.Min.
President and CEO



manager to identify health conditions among victims of intimate partner violence and help them navigate the health care system; **Our Lady's Inn** (St. Louis) – \$19,700 to evaluate the impact of its programs and health services for unwed and expectant mothers; **Bootheel Counseling Services** (Sikeston) – \$10,000 to evaluate current programming, train staff on integrated mental health and substance abuse treatment, and develop consumer and family education groups. Contact: Julie Johnson, 314.345.5580, jjohnson@mffh.org.

- **Richmond Memorial Health Foundation** (VA) awarded \$421,500 to support various initiatives and organizations. **Longwood University Foundation** (Farmville) received \$150,000 for equipment in the Clinical Simulation Learning Center to support the new bachelor of science in nursing program. The foundation awarded a two-year \$75,000 grant to **The Virginia League for Planned Parenthood** (Richmond) to expand primary care physician coverage to underserved patients and to expand its colposcopy program to be a primary referral point for **Access Now**, the community's health safety net specialty referral program. **Capital Area Health Network** (Richmond), **CrossOver Ministry** (Richmond), **Daily Planet** (Richmond), **Fan Free Clinic** (Richmond), **Goochland Free Clinic and Family Services**, **Love of Jesus Clinic** (Richmond), and **Virginia League for Planned Parenthood** (Richmond) each received \$10,000 to continue participation in the **Greater Richmond Patient Centered Medical Home Collaborative**, which seeks to implement the principles of a patient-centered medical home into the region's health safety net. Contact: John Estes, 804.282.6282, jestes@rmhfoundation.org.
- **Sierra Health Foundation** (Sacramento) awarded 21 grants for more than \$500,000 to local organizations. Among the grantees are: **Hmong Women's Heritage Association** (Sacramento) – \$25,000 to improve mental health among residents by expanding mental health peer partner

services to communities that are underserved or have never been served by the county mental health system due to a variety of system or cultural barriers; **Indian Valley Recreation and Parks District** (Greenville) – \$25,000 to improve the health and well being of low-income children, teens, and adults in the Indian Valley by equipping the new recreation center to provide a variety of age-appropriate recreation opportunities; and **Human Response Network** (Weaverville) – \$16,387 to promote the general health of rural families in Trinity County through the provision of vouchers for dry goods, utilities, and children's shoes. Contact: Katy Pasini, 916.922.4755, ext. 3304, kpasini@sierrahealth.org.

- **The Sisters of Charity Foundation of South Carolina** (Columbia) has awarded 21 grants totaling \$65,250 to nonprofit and faith-based organizations across South Carolina. Among the grantees are: **Charleston Area Senior Citizens Services** – \$5,000 to provide home delivered meals to elderly homebound clients; **Dream Center Clinic** (North Charleston) – \$3,000 to support a diabetes awareness program for the uninsured; **St. Christopher's Children** (Pawley's Island) – \$3,000 to provide clothing, diapers, and medical services for children of families in crisis; **Carpenters Table Community Outreach Center** (Moore) – \$3,000 to provide canned fruit to its clients in an effort to improve the nutritional value of its nonperishable distributed meals; **Columbia Oral Health Clinic** – \$2,000 to provide free, state-of-the-art preventative dental services to uninsured or underinsured HIV positive, persons. Contact: Brooke Bailey, 803.254.0230, ext. 18, bbailey@sistersofcharitysc.com.
- **St. David's Community Health Foundation** (Austin, TX) awarded \$3.85 million in grants to 24 area nonprofit organizations that provide mental health services and support healthy lifestyles for Central Texans. Among the grantees are: **People's Community Clinic** (Austin) – \$229,539 to support the **Healing the Body and Mind Program**; **Interagency Support Council of East Williamson County**

(Taylor) – \$182,540 to support the **East Williamson County School-Based Mental Health Project**; **Austin Child Guidance Center** – \$176,575 to support the Children's Psychological Services Unit; **Hays-Caldwell Women's Center** (San Marcos) – \$96,091 to support professional counseling services and training for community counselors; and **Lone Star Circle of Care** (Georgetown) – \$65,500 to support a behavioral health program. Contact: Lisa Trahan, 512.879.6612, ltrahan@stdavidsfoundation.org.

- **Sunflower Foundation: Health Care for Kansans** (Topeka) approved grant awards totaling \$1.2 million to 27 organizations throughout Kansas. Among the grantees are: **Prairie Star Health Center** (Hutchinson) – \$200,000 to support a new full-time physician position enabling the clinic to expand its services; **Douglas County Dental Clinic, Inc.** (Lawrence) – \$47,195 to support a full-time dental hygienist to expand a mobile preventive oral health program at the clinic and in schools, **Head Start** locations and **WIC** site; **Rush County Memorial Hospital** (LaCrosse) – \$22,400 to build a community walking trail; and **Agingwell, Inc.** (Topeka) – \$18,639 for management and planning technical assistance to rural nonprofit nursing homes transitioning to new models of service. Contact: Larry Tobias, 785.232.3000.

SURVEYS, STUDIES & PUBLICATIONS

- **The California Endowment** (Los Angeles) announced the release of *Healthy Communities Matter: The Importance of Place to the Health of Boys of Color*, a comprehensive report that outlines research findings on location as a predictor of health. The endowment-funded report indicates that African-American and Latino boys and young men are far more likely to experience poor health outcomes than white boys and young men and attributes many of these poorer outcomes directly to the neighborhoods in which they grow up. Some of the greatest disparities

listed were for homicide-related death rates, with young African American and Latino males having significantly higher homicide death rates than young white males. Findings also indicate that systems that are currently in place to assist these young men may in fact exacerbate the problem, especially where trauma is involved. The report also outlines solutions, asserting the importance of community-based interventions as an effective approach to addressing and minimizing health disparities among these populations. The full report is available via the publications section of the endowment's Web site, www.calendow.org.

- **The Commonwealth Fund** (New York, NY) released *Mirror, Mirror on the Wall: How the Performance of the U.S. Health Care System Compares Internationally, 2010 Update*, which outlines findings from a study that measured performance of national health care systems for the United States and six other industrialized systems. Authors of the study compared performance on a variety of measures, including quality, access to care, and efficiency. Other nations included in the study were Australia, Canada, Germany, the Netherlands, New Zealand, and the United Kingdom. The U.S. health care system, though the most costly, was ranked lowest in terms of overall performance. Per capita health care spending in the U.S. was \$7,290 in 2007, compared with \$3,837 in the Netherlands, which ranked first in overall performance. The fund's Web site has an interactive tool allowing visitors to view raw scores for each performance indicator. The tool also allows for a side-by-side view to compare rankings across countries. For more information, visit the publications section of the fund's Web site, www.commonwealthfund.org.

Grantmakers for Effective Organizations (GEO) (Washington, DC) and **Interaction Institute for Social Change** (Cambridge, MA) has published *Do Nothing About Me Without Me: An Action Guide for Engaging Stakeholders*. The publication offers an overview of how grantmakers

are reaching out to grantees and community members to improve grantmaking efforts. The paper argues for the value of engaging stakeholders; lists variety of tools to help grantmakers engage stakeholders; and provides examples from a range of grantmaking organizations that have found ways to engage stakeholders for smarter grantmaking, such as the **Marguerite Casey Foundation's Equal Voice** (Seattle, WA) campaign, which engaged tens of thousands of people from communities across the country in contributing to and ultimately ratifying a national platform for action on issues ranging from child care and education to living-wage jobs. The publication is available on GEO's Web site, www.geofunders.org.

- **Robert Wood Johnson Foundation** (Princeton, NJ) and **University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute** (Madison) commissioned a set of essays and commentaries on selecting the best tools for measuring and monitoring the health of communities. The papers, which are being featured in the July 2010 edition of *Preventing Chronic Disease*, are of **Mobilizing Action Toward Community Health** (MATCH). The essays describe the characteristics of ideal metrics and explore their use in measuring various indicators of a community's health and are the first of three sets of MATCH-commissioned papers on population health topics to appear in the journal. For more information, visit www.cdc.gov/pcd.
- **Tides Foundation** (San Francisco, CA) released *Making the Case for Integration*, which addresses integrating family planning and HIV services. The report explores the foundation's work through **The African Family Planning and HIV Integration Fund**, which was conceptualized in 2007 with **The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation** (Menlo Park, CA) to provide funding for family planning service providers whose clients were also consuming HIV services. The report summarizes current research in the field of integration and offers profiles of leaders in the field. The document also lists challenges to integration and enumerates solutions by experts from the public and

philanthropic sectors. For more information visit www.tidesfoundation.org/tides-africa-fund/index.html.

OTHER NEWS

- **The Regence Foundation** (Portland, OR) announced the recipients of the **Sojourns Awards**, which recognizes leaders in the field of palliative care. The award is part of the foundation's Sojourns grantmaking program to promote hospital- and community-based palliative care services. Each recipient designated a nonprofit organization to receive the \$50,000 grant associated with the award to support continued advancements in palliative care. This year's recipients are: **Mimi Pattison, M.D., Franciscan Hospice and Palliative Care** (Tacoma, WA), with the award going to **Franciscan Health System's Foundation; James Shaw, M.D.,** director of ethics, **Providence Sacred Heart Medical Center and Children's Hospital** and medical director at **Providence Center for Faith and Healing** (Spokane, WA), with the award going to the **Providence Center for Faith and Healing; Tanya Lugliani Stewart, M.D.,** medical director of **Adventist Health Hospice** (Portland, OR), with the award going to the hospice; **Sharon Weinstein, M.D., FAAHPM,** director of pain medicine and palliative care at the Huntsman Cancer Institute (Salt Lake City, UT), with the award going to the **Albert A. Weinstein Memorial Palliative Medicine Training Award;** and **Idaho End-of-Life Coalition** (Boise), which will use the award to increase public understanding and access to hospice and palliative care for people of all ages. Contact: Joanna Burke, 503.225.6860, jcburke@regence.com.

PEOPLE

- **The Health Foundation of Greater Indianapolis, Inc.** (IN) announced the addition of **Katherine Nagler** as its first development director. Ms. Nagler's responsibilities include establishing an

annual campaign and ongoing donor relations strategy for the Indiana AIDS Fund, a program of the foundation, in addition to directing the program's two successful fundraising events, the Indiana AIDS Walk & Ride and Spotlight, an annual performing arts fundraiser for HIV prevention and education. In addition to her 30-year career in the arts as a curator, instructor, and development officer, Ms. Nagler has served the Indianapolis community as a civic fundraiser for organizations such as Planned Parenthood. She is a former board member of The Damien Center and is currently the Indiana Chair for the Brown University capital campaign. Contact: Lisa Sirkin Vielee, 317.979.4424, lisa@graciecomm.com.

- **North Penn Community Health Foundation** (Colmar, PA) board of directors elected new officers to two-year terms. **R. John Stubbs, Ph.D.** will serve as the chairman of the Board. He is the principal and CEO of Stubbs Hensel Pharma Consulting, LLC, a recently formed company providing services to the pharmaceutical and biotech industries. **Russell R. Hensel, Ph.D.**, COO Stubbs & Hensel Pharma Consulting, LLC, will serve as vice chairman. **David**

Crosson will serve as secretary of the board. He has been executive director of **Indian Creek Foundation** (Souderton, PA) for 11 years, having formerly served as its CFO. **Alfredo De la Peña** will serve as the board's treasurer. He is the COO of 1260 Housing Development Corporation and the executive director of Columbus Property Management. Contact: Russell Johnson, 215.716.5400, rjohnson@npchf.org.

- **OBICI Healthcare Foundation, Inc.** (Suffolk, VA) welcomed **Tammie Mullins-Rice** as program officer. Ms. Mullins-Rice assumes responsibility for managing health-related projects and selected funding activities for the foundation and will develop and maintain relationships with key health leaders and nonprofit agencies necessary to advance the foundation's mission. Prior to joining the foundation, she was the development manager of the Girl Scout Council of Colonial Coast, where she directed fundraising activities. An employee with the Girl Scouts for 13 years, she also held the positions of membership manager, membership specialist, and development and marketing specialist. Contact: Rick Spencer, 757.539.8810, rspencer@obicichf.org.

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