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Endowment for Health Awards More Than \$217,000 to Statewide Health Projects

Concord, NH – The Endowment for Health, New Hampshire’s largest health foundation, recently awarded more than \$217,000 in grants. Awards were made to organizations for the resources necessary to forward health-related projects in New Hampshire. Many of these projects have statewide reach while others address need in targeted geographic areas of the state.

“During these challenging times, more and more New Hampshire residents find it difficult to access health care services or participate in activities that maintain health,” said Mary Vallier-Kaplan, the Endowment’s vice president and chief operating officer. “These grant awards help New Hampshire’s health-related organizations as well as other nonprofit groups to provide support and services.”

The following grants were awarded to reduce economic barriers to health:

Spotlight on Poverty and Opportunity

Linking the issues of economic equity to health – \$15,000

Grantee: Center for Law and Social Policy

Improving Healthcare Safety Net Financing

Analysis of state and federal health care mechanisms– \$20,000

Grantee: University of Massachusetts Medical School

Grants to improve the mental health of NH’s children and their families

Coalition for Domestic Abuse Recovery

Building capacity to serve children traumatized by domestic violence– \$10,000

Grantee: A Safe Place - Seacoast Task Force on Family Violence, Inc.

Mental Health Community Public Forums

A public dialogue regarding the mental health system in New Hampshire– \$13,900

Grantee: New Hampshire Community Behavioral Health Association

Mental Health Access for Students and Their Families

A community collaboration among schools, mental health providers, and child serving agencies– \$49,307

Grantee: Riverbend Community Mental Health

Grants to reduce social-cultural barriers to health:

Foreign Trained Health Care Workers

Improving cultural effectiveness and increasing diversity in NH's health care workforce— \$35,850

Grantee: Lamprey Health Care

Grants to improve NH's oral health

Building Capacity to Expand & Improve Oral Health in New Hampshire

Creating an agenda to improve access— \$3,000

Grantee: NH Dental Hygienists' Association

Concord Dental Sealant Coalition

Establishing and expanding a program of preventive care services— \$1,500

Grantee: Concord Dental Sealant Coalition

Other grants:

Lead Poisoning Prevention Collaborative

Improving NH's lead poisoning prevention policies— \$18,870

Grantee: Health Strategies of New Hampshire

Finance Project Sustainability Training

A pilot program on sustainability planning for health-related nonprofits— \$50,000

Grantee: Health Strategies of New Hampshire

The Endowment for Health was established in 1999. Since 2001, the Endowment has awarded more than 640 grants totaling \$27 million to support a wide range of health-related programs and projects in New Hampshire. For more information about proposal guidelines and funding priorities for the 2009 program year, visit www.endowmentforhealth.org

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