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## 2016 IMPACT Grant with Mental Health Focus QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

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The PA Foundation seeks to support patient-focused, community-based health projects in the area of mental health that demonstrate an impact on patient health outcomes.

Preference will be given to:

- a. Projects/programs focused on mental health patient education, screening/referral, and patient outcomes.
- b. Projects/programs that test new PA-led models of care in mental health, which may include screening/referral methods, and/or that integrate mental health education into clinical visits.
- c. Projects/programs focused on reducing stigma associated with mental health disorders.

Completed online application must include the following:

1. An online application form with the attached required documents listed below.
2. A detailed budget indicating expenses for which the grant funds will be used. **Please note that grant funds may not be used to pay salaries or to reimburse organizations for salaries. Grant funding will not be provided to cover any indirect/administrative costs.**
3. Evaluation criteria should be reflected in responses to questions asked below and included in your written proposal.
  - a. Clarity of the goals and activities of the project and alignment with designated mental health focus
  - b. Demonstration of PA leadership and involvement
  - c. Impact on the health of the target population
4. A written proposal (maximum 3 pages) addressing each of the following questions:
  - a. How does this project address the mental health crisis, particularly in the areas of screening/referral, patient education, and stigma reduction?
  - b. What are the characteristics of the patient population this project will serve?
  - c. What points of data do you anticipate collecting during this project to measure impact?
  - d. Show how other PAs or PA students will be involved in this program/project. How many will be involved and what are their roles?
  - e. Indicate how PA value and/or PA utilization is critical in attaining the project objectives.
  - f. Briefly summarize how the IMPACT Grant funding will improve or enhance population health of the community.
  - g. What impact will this grant funding have on the success of this program/project?
5. A letter of support signed by an official of the sponsoring organization, which includes:
  - a. A statement indicating that the nonprofit organization affiliated with the project agrees to be financially responsible for accepting the funds and allocating the funds provided in accordance with the purposes of the grant.
  - b. Verification that the organization agrees to ratify that the project/program complies with the organizations internal policies and applicable regulations.
  - c. Verification that the organization does not advocate, support, or engage in discrimination in the provision of health care on the basis of age, color, disability, ethnicity, gender identity or expression, national origin, union membership, political

affiliation, race, size, religious affiliation, sex, sexual orientation, or socioeconomic or veteran status.

- d. Verification that professional liability insurance coverage is in place if the program/project involves direct patient care and patient information is HIPAA compliant.

### **Post-Grant Requirements**

Grant recipients must submit a “Final Progress Report” within three months of the completion of the program/project that has been funded through the IMPACT grant. In addition, the grant recipients will be asked to sign and return the “Grant Award Agreement” upon acceptance of the grant funding.

Questions? Contact Caroline Pierce at [cpierce@aapa.org](mailto:cpierce@aapa.org) or 571.319.4510.

**Application deadline is November 18, 2016.**