Grant Title: AETNA FOUNDATION GRANTS PROGRAM

Funding Opportunity Number: N/A

Agency/Department: Aetna Foundation.

Area of Research: Addressing the rising rate of obesity among U.S. adults and children.

Release and Expiration: N/A


Amount: $5000-$150,000.

Length of Support: Up to 2 years.

Eligible Applicants: Nonprofit organizations with evidence of IRS 501(c)(3) designation or de facto tax-exempt status. You will need your tax identification number to enter the online application system.

Summary: Aetna Foundation focus is on issues that improve health and the health care system in the following three areas: Obesity: Addressing the rising rate of obesity among U.S. adults and children Racial and Ethnic Health Care Equity: Promoting equity in health and health care for common chronic conditions and infant mortality Integrated Health Care: Advancing high-quality health care by improving care coordination and communications among health care professionals; creating informed and involved patients; and promoting cost-effective, affordable care. Aetna Foundation approach is to learn more about the underlying causes of obesity can inform and shape effective population-based health and wellness programs. The Aetna Foundation wants to understand the contributors to obesity, particularly among minority populations, and what supports and sustains better choices that can stave off overeating and reduce inactivity. Grant-making in this area focuses on initiatives that create a better understanding of the root causes of the obesity epidemic. Examples of grants we would support include projects and/or studies that identify causes of obesity and potential best practices for addressing obesity, such as: Domestic food policies and their impact on individual food choices; the impact of our neighborhoods and the "built environment" on promoting population health and weight loss; assessments of why communities with high rates of food insecurity also are more likely to experience high rates of obesity; how children use recreation time; how school lunch and food policies impact our children.

Detailed Information: