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Grants Awarded – FY 2026 Call for Proposals

Medically Vulnerable Populations

Women's Housing Coalition (Baltimore City; $627,560): This project addresses the health care needs of 200 low-income adults with disabilities living in Women's Housing Coalition residences. Key interventions include assessments, linkage to primary care, behavioral health services, care coordination, aging in-place supports, housing, transportation, and SDOH supports.

MedStar Good Samaritan Hospital (Baltimore City; $401,760): This project focuses on dementia care for under-resourced, low-income older adults in Baltimore City, with a focus on affordable housing locations, including J Van Story Branch Apartments and Brentwood Public Housing. The program aims to increase early detection of cognitive impairment and reduce avoidable hospital utilization. Key interventions include community cognitive screenings; connecting screened participants to a follow-up visit with a Geriatric Nurse Practitioner and other cognitive care supports; navigation to primary and specialty care; and SDOH screenings and referrals.

Maryland Foundation of Dentistry (Statewide; $376,650): This project seeks to improve access to timely and coordinated dental care for medically vulnerable, low-income adults and older adults with intellectual, developmental, and physical disabilities. Key interventions include intake assessments; case assignments to match patients with appropriate volunteer dental providers; support with scheduling, referrals, and follow-up across multiple providers; support to address barriers such as transportation, communication challenges, and caregiver coordination; and dental laboratory services.

Dental

CCI Health Services (Prince George's & Montgomery Counties; $651,000): This project seeks to expand dental capacity at CCI's Greenbelt clinic to serve low income adults and children in Prince George's and Montgomery Counties, including both individuals who previously lacked access to a Medicaid-accepting dental provider and individuals not eligible for the Maryland Medicaid Dental Benefit. Key interventions include comprehensive dental services; caries risk assessments for pediatric patients; patient recall and reminder system; and multilingual outreach.

Maternal and Child Health

Chesapeake Health Care (Worcester, Wicomico, and Somerset Counties; $279,000): This project seeks to enhance access to obstetrical services on the lower Eastern Shore, where there is a critical shortage of obstetrical providers. The initiative will be supported by an integrated care coordination model, utilizing community health workers (CHWs), case managers and data team to assess patient needs holistically, coordinate services, and track outcomes. Key interventions include: obstetric services, health insurance enrollment support, transportation access, and case management.

Behavioral Health

EMBRACE Initiative - University of Maryland Baltimore (Baltimore City; $520,800): This project aims to establish a fully integrated street-to-treatment behavioral health continuum for adults with untreated and undertreated Substance Use Disorder, co-occurring mental health conditions, or both, including individuals who are unhoused, unstably housed, or justice-involved, residing in the Eutaw Street Corridor and adjacent communities of Upton/Druid Heights, Sandtown-Winchester, and Harlem Park. Key interventions include street-level outreach and warm handoffs, Medications for Opioid Use Disorder (MOUD) initiation, co-occurring mental health treatment, and street medicine triage.

Hospital-Community Partnerships

Meals on Wheels of Central Maryland (Baltimore City; $604,500): This project seeks to address food insecurity and social isolation by delivering meals and SDOH supports to high-utilizing patients with documented food insecurity and/or one or more of the following diagnoses: Congestive Heart Failure, COPD, Diabetes, or Sepsis. The program involves a partnership with Moveable Feast and Johns Hopkins Health. Success will be measured by reductions in avoidable hospital utilization based on data from CRISP and Johns Hopkins Health.

The Asian American Center of Frederick (Frederick; $624,960): This project seeks to address chronic disease among low-income adults including those with limited English proficiency. Program participants will be identified upon discharge from the Frederick Health Hospital and through community outreach. Interventions will include care coordination, peer support, home visiting, and SDOH supports by Community Health Workers (CHWs), and connection to primary care and chronic disease management. Success will be measured by improvements in HbA1c and blood pressure control, as well as reductions in avoidable hospital utilization based on data from CRISP and Frederick Health Hospital.

Meritus Medical Center (Washington County; $651,000): This project seeks to address chronic disease among older adults and individuals with disabilities by embedding a Community Health Worker (CHW) within the Meritus Emergency Department, supported by RN Care Managers/Navigators, to identify eligible patients, assess social determinants of health (SDOH), and connect individuals to community-based resources. Success will be measured by reductions in avoidable hospital utilization based on data from CRISP.

Primary Care Coalition (Montgomery County; $641,700): This project seeks to connect individuals who typically receive care in the emergency department with services in the primary care setting. The program would employ patient navigators to connect uninsured and self-pay individuals to primary care and social services upon hospital discharge. Success will be measured by reductions in avoidable hospital utilization based on data from existing hospital data-sharing agreements and, where available, CRISP reporting.

Chronic Disease

La Clínica del Pueblo (Prince George's County; $641,700): This project seeks to address disparities in hypertension and diabetes among low income, predominantly Hispanic populations. The program will implement an integrated, team-based care model through the development of individualized Action Plans; care coordinator/CHW-led education, navigation, and ongoing engagement; and closed-loop clinical and social services referrals.

Korean Community Service Center of Greater Washington (Montgomery, Prince George's, Anne Arundel, Baltimore Counties; $632,400): This project seeks to improve chronic disease outcomes among low-income, limited English proficient (LEP) Asian American residents in Montgomery, Prince George's, Anne Arundel, and Baltimore Counties and the city of Baltimore. The program will implement a culturally and linguistically responsive Food-as- Medicine (FAM) model including: monthly food prescriptions delivered through grocery vouchers for

culturally appropriate foods; individualized nutrition counseling; care coordination; ongoing clinical oversight and care plan alignment; referrals to primary care, nutrition services, and social supports; and culturally and linguistically tailored health education workshops

MedStar Health Southern Maryland (Prince George's County; $511,500): This project seeks to address obesity, diabetes, hypertension, and cardiovascular disease among high-risk residents including racial and ethnic minorities. Key interventions include connecting high-utilizing patients to CHW navigation, SDOH screenings, and community-based wellness resources through partnership with Prince George's County Parks and Recreation locations.

Mountain Laurel Medical Center (Garrett & Allegany Counties; $390,600): This program seeks to address disparities in chronic disease and behavioral health services through deployment of a mobile health clinic. The clinic will provide primary care, behavioral health services, preventive screenings, chronic disease management, care coordination, and telehealth-enabled specialty care.