The purpose of the Minority Outreach and Technical Assistance (MOTA) program is to improve the health outcomes of racial and ethnic minority communities through community engagement, partnerships, outreach and technical assistance. MOTA programs are required to focus on one or two of the following key areas: birth outcomes, cardiovascular disease, diabetes, obesity, cancer, tobacco use, asthma, HIV/AIDS, lack of health insurance, and lack of a medical home/ non-use of medical home. In FY 2017, the Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities, through a Request for Applications (RFA) process, funded 16 community based organizations for a two-year grant period (FY17-18). For FY 18, 15 MOTA partners will be funded through the continuation grant application process. Below are the 15 community based organizations funded for FY 2018.

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<td>Access to Wholistic and Productive Living Institute Inc. (AWPLI)</td>
<td>Dr. Bettye Muwwakkil Executive Director 3611 43rd Avenue Colmar Manor, Maryland 20722 240-264-0878 <a href="mailto:bettye@awpli.org">bettye@awpli.org</a> Website: <a href="http://www.awpli.org/">http://www.awpli.org/</a></td>
<td>The AWPLI-MOTA Bright Beginnings Continuation Project has an overall goal to reach a broader range of high risk African American and Latino/Hispanic pregnant women living in Prince George’s County by providing effective MCH Care Coordination and community outreach events to educate on pregnancy and birth outcomes. The program will also refer and ensure client linkages to services such as Primary Care, WIC and Medicaid. <strong>MOTA disease focus areas: Birth Outcomes</strong></td>
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| Asian American Center of Frederick (AACF) | Ms. Elizabeth Chung  
Executive Director  
1080 West Patrick Street, Suite 16, Frederick, Maryland 21703  
301-694-3355  
echung@aacfmd.org  
Website: http://aacfmd.org/  
Social Media:  
www.facebook.com/AsianAmericanCenterOfFrederick/ | The AACF-MOTA program has an overarching goal of reducing the rates of poor maternal and child related birth outcomes for minority populations especially African American and Hispanic women living in Frederick’s County. This will be done through monthly baby showers where education on labor/ delivery, nutrition and new baby/ postpartum care will be provided to both women and men of child bearing age. The program will also provide opportunities for intensive home visiting for identified pregnant women at risk of poor birth outcomes.  
*MOTA disease focus areas: Birth Outcomes* | Frederick County                     |
| Associated Black Charities (ABC)     | Ms. Ashyrra Dotson  
Project Director  
824 Fairmount Ave., Suite 4,  
Cambridge, Maryland 21613  
410-221-0795  
adotson@abc-md.org  
Website: http://www.abc-md.org/  
Social Media:  
www.facebook.com/pages/Associated-Black-Charities-of-Maryland/ | ABC-MOTA will aim to decrease the number of preventable Emergency Room visits from patients with both diabetes and hypertension. This will be done through identifying and referring individuals to Diabetes Self-Management (DSM) and Chronic Diabetes Self-Management (CDSM) classes in Dorchester County, Maryland. On completion of classes, the program will provide follow-up group and individualized education and support to interested individuals at 30, 60 and 90 day intervals. ABC will also sponsor at least 4 mobile food pantries at various locations in Dorchester County in collaboration with the MD Food Bank.  
*MOTA disease focus areas: Diabetes and Cardiovascular Disease* | Dorchester County                    |
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| Community Empowerment Center, Inc. (CEC) | Dr. Thomas E. Tucker, Jr. Project Director  
410 Delaware Ave., Salisbury, Maryland 21613  
410-546-5661  
Thomastucker11@yahoo.com | The CEC-MOTA program offers diabetes education sessions to African American and Hispanic/Latinos in Wicomico County. The program will serve as a resource for provision of information on availability of other health resources in the County. The CEC-MOTA program will also work collaboratively with other local partners and the Wicomico County Health Department to provide services such as blood glucose testing.  
*MOTA disease focus areas: Diabetes* | Wicomico County                   |
| Foreign-Born Information and Referral Network, Inc. (FIRN, Inc.) | Ms. Paula Blackwell  
Program Director  
5999 Harpers Farm Road, Suite 200-E, Columbia, Maryland 21044  
410-992-1923  
pblackwell.firn@gmail.com  
Website: [http://www.firnonline.org/](http://www.firnonline.org/)  
Social Media: [www.facebook.com/FIRN-Foreign-Born-Information-and-Referral-Network](http://www.facebook.com/FIRN-Foreign-Born-Information-and-Referral-Network) | The FIRN-MOTA program will provide resources needed in navigating the insurance market place with the aim of enrolling individuals in health insurance. It will also provide intensive case management/ follow up to ensure individuals receive other needed support (wrap-around) services. In addition, the FIRN program will conduct a Diabetes Prevention Program (DPP) for pre-diabetic clients with an aim of preventing diabetes onset. Finally, the program will conduct Minority Health Roundtables which will serve as a forum for minority individuals living in Howard County to express their concerns about community needs and proffer solutions.  
*MOTA disease focus areas: Health Insurance and Diabetes* | Howard County                    |
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| Hands of Hope, Inc. (HoH Inc.) | Ms. Marsella Hare  
Project/ Deputy Director  
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410-212-8338  
aacomota@gmail.com,  
handsofhopeinfo@gmail.com  
Social Media:  
www.facebook.com/handsofhopeannapolis/ | The HoH-MOTA Health Legacy Institute’s program will provide cardiovascular disease educational sessions, a 6 week diabetes education series as well as a 6 week nutrition and fitness series with a goal of improving cardiovascular disease and diabetes health outcomes among racial and ethnic minorities in Anne Arundel County, Maryland. The program will also sponsor and participate in community health fairs where several screenings will be available alongside more opportunities for education on disease focus areas.  
**MOTA disease focus areas: Cardiovascular Disease and Diabetes** | Anne Arundel County |
| Holy Cross Health, Inc.      | Ms. Shelly Tang  
Project Director  
1500 Forest Glen Road, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910  
301-754-7162  
tangsa@holycrosshealth.org  
Website:  
www.holycrosshealth.org/cancer-community-outreach | The Holy Cross Health, Inc.-MOTA Minority Communities Empowerment Project will provide several opportunities for education on Cardiovascular Disease and Diabetes for minority individuals residing in Montgomery County through community outreach. The project will also provide resources that ensure both the referral and linkage of individuals to services such as Primary Care, Health Insurance Enrollment and other services as needed.  
**MOTA disease focus areas: Cardiovascular Disease and Diabetes** | Montgomery County |
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| Inner County Outreach (ICO) | Pastor Nathaniel T. Johnson  
Program Director  
529 Edmund Street, Aberdeen, Maryland 21001  
410-272-3278  
icogrants1@gmail.com  
Website: http://innercountyoutreach.org/  
Social Media: www.facebook.com/InnerCountyOutreach/ | The ICO-MOTA will implement an obesity prevention program targeting minority populations in Harford County. The program will utilize several healthy cooking and exercise classes as well as exposure to opportunities for maintaining a community garden as strategies for accomplishing this goal. It will also sponsor and participate in several community events to further increase awareness about obesity and obesity related diseases while also referring and linking individuals to needed support services.  

*MOTA disease focus areas: Obesity* | Harford County |
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| La Clinica Del Pueblo (LCDP)        | Dr. Suyanna Barker  
Project Director  
2970 Belcrest Center Drive, Suite 301, Hyattsville, Maryland 20722  
202-507-4802  
sbarker@lcdp.org  
Website: https://www.lcdp.org/  
Social Media: www.facebook.com/pages/La-Clinica-del-Pueblo/ | The LCDP-MOTA Tu Salud en Tus Manos (Your Health in Your Hands) project targets Latinos in Prince George’s County, Maryland through charlas (workshops) with the aim of increasing knowledge and awareness about Diabetes Mellitus, Obesity and Cardiovascular Diseases. The project will also increase Latino access to needed healthcare services. Another component of Tu Salud en Tus Manos the project is to implement a 6 week Road to Health program for pre-diabetic and/or overweight/obese individuals to aid in weight loss through positive lifestyle changes.  

*MOTA disease focus areas: Diabetes, Obesity and Cardiovascular Disease* | Prince George’s County |
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| Minority Outreach Coalition (MOC)      | **Mr. Nathaniel Scroggins**<br>Project Director<br>P. O. Box 1625 California, Maryland 20619<br>240-123-5681<br>[Natscr.ws@gmail.com, mocstmarys@gmail.com](mailto:Natscr.ws@gmail.com, mocstmarys@gmail.com) | The MOC-MOTA program has an overarching goal of improving the general health of St. Mary’s County residents through educating youth on tobacco and other tobacco product use/ awareness while also educating minority men on prostate cancers and the need for screening. This will be done through educational workshops and referrals for prostate cancer screening.  

**MOTA disease focus areas: Tobacco cessation and Prostate Cancer Screening** | St. Mary’s County |
| Mount Olive African American Methodist Episcopal | **Reverend Mary B. Walker**<br>Program Director<br>24840 Lambs Meadow Road, P. O. Box 77, Worton, Maryland 21678<br>410-778-4832<br>[mwalker@atlanticbb.net](mailto:mwalker@atlanticbb.net)<br>Social Media: [www.facebook.com/pages/Mount-Olive-Church/](http://www.facebook.com/pages/Mount-Olive-Church/) | The Mt. Olive AME CATS Team-MOTA grant program will target African American and Hispanic individuals in Kent County with the aim of increasing awareness about risk factors for diabetes through educational sessions. The Grantee will also screen for both diabetes (blood glucose testing) and pre-diabetes with referrals to the Kent County Health Department for the Diabetes Prevention Program. Other large events for school aged children and youths on nutrition and physical activity will also be conducted.  

**MOTA disease focus areas: Diabetes** | Kent County |
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<td>Nueva Vida, Inc. (NV)</td>
<td><strong>Ms. Sandra Villa De Leon</strong>&lt;br&gt;Program Manager&lt;br&gt;St. Joseph Cancer Institute&lt;br&gt;7501 Osler Drive, Suite G-15, Towson, Maryland 21204&lt;br&gt;410-916-2150&lt;br&gt;<a href="mailto:nvbaltimore@nueva-vida.org">nvbaltimore@nueva-vida.org</a>&lt;br&gt;Website: <a href="http://www.nueva-vida.org/">http://www.nueva-vida.org</a>&lt;br&gt;Social Media: <a href="http://www.facebook.com/NuevaVidaIncBaltimore/">www.facebook.com/NuevaVidaIncBaltimore/</a></td>
<td>NV-MOTA will implement programs to reduce the cancer burden and disparity experienced by Latinos mostly women in the Baltimore Metropolitan Statistical Area mostly in the Baltimore County region. The organization will tailor services towards reducing the rates of cervical, breast and colorectal cancers in this population. Nueva Vida has three overarching goals which are to increase knowledge and awareness of preventive cancer screenings through outreach and education (workshops, trainings, “charlas”), provision of culturally appropriate patient navigation through the cancer continuum (by increasing the number of women who get screened, reducing barriers from outreach to screening to diagnosis up until treatment) and provision of mental health support for cancer survivors, caregivers and their family members.&lt;br&gt;&lt;br&gt;<strong>MOTA disease focus areas: Cancers</strong></td>
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<td>Office Management and Technology, Inc. (OMT)</td>
<td><strong>Ms. Cassandra Umoh</strong>&lt;br&gt;Project Director&lt;br&gt;1601 Old Eastern Avenue,&lt;br&gt;Baltimore, Maryland 21221&lt;br&gt;410-686-9392&lt;br&gt;<a href="mailto:Cassandra.umoh@omtssame.org">Cassandra.umoh@omtssame.org</a>&lt;br&gt;Website: <a href="http://www.omtssame.org/">http://www.omtssame.org/</a></td>
<td>The OMT-MOTA program will provide workshops on diabetes while offering pre-diabetes risk assessment for Hispanics in Baltimore County. Targeted educational workshops on hypertension will also be offered to African Americans. The program will both sponsor and participate in community outreach events with a focus on diabetes and hypertension while also providing referrals and follow up for hypertension and diabetes care.&lt;br&gt;In addition, the OMT-MOTA program will pilot a Birth Outcomes program in collaboration with Chase Brexton to reduce the burden of negative birth outcomes experienced by minority women in Baltimore County.&lt;br&gt;&lt;br&gt;<strong>MOTA disease focus areas: Diabetes, Hypertension, and Birth Outcomes</strong></td>
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| St. Agnes Hospital                   | **Ms. Allison Mackenzie** Project Director 900 Caton Avenue, Mailstop 123, Baltimore, Maryland 21229 667-234-3155 Allisson.Mackenzie@ascension.org  
Social Media: [www.facebook.com/SaintAgnesMD/](http://www.facebook.com/SaintAgnesMD/) | The SAH Foundation-MOTA program will implement several cohorts of the CDC evidenced based Diabetes Prevention Program (DPP) in several locations in South West Baltimore City with a goal of decreasing the incidence of diabetes amongst racial minority populations.  
**MOTA disease focus areas:** Diabetes Prevention (pre-diabetes) | Baltimore City                                                                 |
| (SAH) Foundation                     |                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                    |
| Taking Effective Action, Inc. (TEA)  | **Dr. Gertie Loretta Hurley** Project Director 16508 Old Central Avenue, Bowie, Maryland 20716 240-394-8327 gertieh@t-action.org  
Website: [http://t-action.org/](http://t-action.org/)  
Social Media: [www.facebook.com/TEA-Taking-Effective-Action-for-Spirit-Mind-and-Body-Health](http://www.facebook.com/TEA-Taking-Effective-Action-for-Spirit-Mind-and-Body-Health) | The TEA-MOTA program will implement an obesity prevention program targeting families (both kids and parents) known as the *Fit Families/Fit Kids* Healthy Living Program (FFFK). FFFK will address obesity across the lifespan starting from childhood. The program will incorporate both longitudinal exercise and dietary activities for students’ ages 9 to 11 in a District Heights Elementary School with opportunities for involvement by adults/parents.  
**MOTA disease focus areas:** Obesity | Prince George’s County                                                            |