

INNOVATION

IN HEALTH CARE

AWARD



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People with complex health and social needs often require support that extends beyond the medical sector. There is increasing recognition of the role that social determinants of health – non-clinical factors like access to transportation or food – play in one's health. This is especially true for vulnerable older adults with multiple chronic conditions and daily living challenges.

Many of these older adults encounter a system of care that often does not provide the level of assistance and coordination they need beyond the four walls of the doctor's office or hospital room. As our society ages, more and more Americans will find themselves needing a comprehensive system of medical care and social support. It is more important than ever to identify and spread such models that help people receive the needed medical, social, and behavioral services in a coordinated way.

The SCAN Foundation has long supported efforts to improve care for older people who live with chronic conditions and daily living challenges. In California and nationally, the Foundation has supported building the capacity of community-based organizations to be proficient partners with the health care sector, and is scaling person-centered models of care.

The SCAN Foundation invites California health care organizations, in collaboration with community-based organization partners, to submit applications for the inaugural Innovation in Health Care Award. The theme of the 2017 award is for Outstanding Partnerships: Meaningful Achievements, Measurable Outcomes. Qualified submissions will demonstrate successful implementation of sustainable, innovative partnership models that result in improved integration and quality of life for older adults.

To learn more about innovative partnerships between the health care sector and community-based organizations, visit **[Aging and Disability Business Institute – Success Stories](#)**.

Awardees will be announced at The SCAN Foundation's Annual Long-Term Services and Supports Summit on October 26, 2017. Awardees will also be showcased on The SCAN Foundation's website and communication channels.

The selection and notification of the awardee will be May 15, 2017.

ELIGIBILITY

- The Innovation in Health Care Award is open to any California-based health plan, Accountable Care Organization, medical group, physician group or hospital, in collaboration with at least one community-based organization (e.g. senior center, Area Agency on Aging, adult day program who provide transportation, nutrition services and/or care coordination/transitions) partner.
- Availability to attend The SCAN Foundation's annual California Summit on Long-Term Services and Supports on October 26, 2017 in Sacramento (travel expenses will be paid by the Foundation).

HOW TO APPLY

Applications must be submitted to **Erin Westphal**, Program Officer at The SCAN Foundation, via email by April 28, 2017. Applications must include:

1. **Applicant Information Sheet**
2. Executive Summary (up to 1/2 page)
3. Description of the partnership, including the problem being addressed, how the partnership took form, and the model (up to 3 pages)
4. Description of the outcomes of the partnership, including improved integration and quality of life for older adults and sustainability (up to 2 pages)
5. Description of lessons learned and next steps for the partnership (up to 1 page)

ABOUT THE SCAN FOUNDATION

The SCAN Foundation is an independent public charity devoted to advancing a coordinated and easily navigated system of high-quality services for older adults that preserve dignity and independence.

