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Sample Health Foundation Mission Statements

Foundation planning committee members who are developing a mission statement for a new health foundation may wish to consider the following examples from existing foundations. For additional information about foundation planning, see *Building and Maintaining Strong Foundations*, at www.consumersunion.org/conv or www.communitycatalyst.org.

California Healthcare Foundation [www.chcf.org]

“To expand access to affordable, quality health care for underserved individuals and communities and to promote fundamental improvements in the health status of the people of California.”

Caring for Colorado Foundation [www.caringforcolorado.org]

“To promote and serve the healthcare needs of the citizens of Colorado.”

Community Memorial Foundation (Illinois) [www.cmfdn.org]

“To improve the health of people who live and work in the western suburbs of Chicago.”

Con Alma Health Foundation (New Mexico) [www.conalma.org]

“Con Alma foundation is organized to be aware of and respond to the health rights and needs of culturally and demographically diverse peoples and communities of New Mexico. Con Alma will seek to improve the health status and access to health care services for all New Mexicans and will advocate for a health policy which will address the health needs of all New Mexicans. The foundation will make grants, contributions, and program related investments to fulfill its Mission.”

Endowment for Health (New Hampshire) [www.endowmentforhealth.org]

“To improve the health and reduce the burden of illness of the people of New Hampshire.”

Foundation for a Healthy Kentucky [www.healthyky.org]

“To make grants, contributions and program-related investments, and sponsor or participate in activities, designed to address the unmet health care needs of Kentuckians by developing and influencing health policy, improving access to care, reducing health risks and disparities, and promoting health equity.”

Healthcare Georgia Foundation [www.healthcaregeorgia.org]

“To advance the health of all Georgians and to expand access to affordable, quality healthcare for underserved individuals and communities.”

Maine Health Access Foundation [www.mehaf.org]

“To promote affordable and timely access to comprehensive, quality health care, and improve the health of every Maine resident.”

Missouri Foundation for Health [www.mffh.org]

“To empower the people of the communities we serve to achieve equal access to quality health services that promote prevention and encourage healthy behaviors.”

Sunflower Foundation (Kansas) [www.sunflowerfoundation.org]

“To serve as a catalyst for improving the health of Kansans.”

The California Endowment [www.calendow.org]

“The California Endowment's mission is to expand access to affordable, quality health care for underserved individuals and communities, and to promote fundamental improvements in the health status of all Californians.”