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Registration now open for the Minnesota e-Health Summit: June 16-17, 2015

Visit www.regonline.com/eHEALTH2015 to register for the 11th Annual Minnesota e-Health Summit: Connecting Communities to Advance Population Health. The Summit is Tuesday-Wednesday, June 16-17, 2015 at the DoubleTree Hotel in St. Louis Park.

The Summit will include full sessions with speakers offering both national and statewide perspectives, breakout sessions with practical information from those achieving success and setting-specific workshops for peer learning and problem solving. This year the Summit will feature two national keynote speakers, Dr. David Ross and Dr. Mitchell H. Katz.

Tuesday June 16

Dr. David Ross, Director of the Public Health Informatics Institute and Co-Chair of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's Data For Health initiative.

An internationally renowned expert, Dr. Ross is on the leading edge in recognizing and interpreting the forces, trends and technologies impacting health care and public health. He will discuss the goals of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's Data For Health initiative, using information effectively for improving health nationwide. See information on the report under National section.

Wednesday June 17

Dr. Mitchell H. Katz, Director, Los Angeles County Department of Health Services.

As Director of one of the nation's largest health systems, Dr. Katz will provide unique insight into the need and applicability of using data elements that capture social determinants of health when caring for patients in diverse communities and leveraging that information to improve individual care and inform population health decisions.

Visit the Minnesota e-Health Summit website to download the brochure with more information on registration. For general questions on the Minnesota e-Health Summit contact Bob Johnson.

Summit sponsorship and exhibitor opportunities are still available; please contact Karen Beaulieu at kbeaulieu@mngts.org or 651-222-7409 x 203, for more information.

Request for proposals (RFP) for Emerging Professions Integration grant program

The Office of Rural Health and Primary Care, at the Minnesota Department of Health, is soliciting grant proposals for projects that integrate emerging professions into the workforce and advance the goals of the [Minnesota Accountable Health Model](#).

Approximately \$150,000 may be available, for up to five grant projects. The awards will be up to \$30,000 each. Eligible applicants include any type of organization that has the capacity to employ:

- Community paramedic
- Dental therapist

- A community health worker
- Advanced dental therapist

These emerging professions have the potential to work for a wide range of organizations and in a wide range of settings. Examples of eligible applicants may include:

- Ambulatory services
- Clinics
- Dental offices
- Educational settings
- Faith-based programs
- Inpatient mental health facilities
- Local public health programs
- Mental health centers
- Nonprofits
- Nursing homes
- Senior centers
- Group homes
- Health care providers in a cost sharing arrangement
- Hospitals
- Human services programs, including substance use disorder treatment programs

To be considered for funding, proposals must be received by 4:00 p.m., Friday, June 12, 2015 at the Minnesota Department of Health, 85 East Seventh Place, Suite 220, St. Paul, MN 55101; Attention: Kay Herzfeld. Late proposals will not be considered.

A copy of the RFP may be obtained on the [Emerging Professions webpage](#).

For more information contact Kay Herzfeld at (651) 201-3846 or via email at kay.herzfeld@state.mn.us.

Practice Transformation Grant Program-Round Two

The goal of the Practice Transformation Grant Program is to support a range of providers and teams in primary care, behavioral health and social services to allow team members to participate in transformation activities that advance the goals of patient centered, coordinated and accountable care.

Approximately \$300,000 is available for implementation, for up to 15 grants. The grants are from \$20,000 to \$30,000 per grantee for nine months.

Eligible applicants include:

- Primary care providers including health care homes, rural health providers, federally qualified health centers or a group of primary care providers seeking to transform their practice to a certified health care home or implement integration of services with behavioral health or social services.
- Behavioral health providers working with primary care providers to implement integrated services such as behavioral health homes.
- Social service providers working with primary care and behavioral health to implement integrated services, including a community mental health center.
- Tribal primary care and behavioral health providers.

Applications are due June 26, 2015 at 4:00 pm. CDT

A copy of the complete request for proposal may be found on the [Minnesota Accountable Health Model website](#).

Minnesota Accountable Health Model Updates

Visit the [Minnesota Accountable Health Model](#) website for frequent updates, including a list of upcoming [RFP opportunities](#) and a [map of awardees to date](#).

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