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ACPM Announces Call for Diabetes Prevention Proposals

Supporting New Models for Screening, Testing, and Referral to CDC-recognized Lifestyle Change Programs

The American College of Preventive Medicine (ACPM) announces a call for grant proposals for health care providers and health systems to develop new practice setting models that address the national type 2 diabetes epidemic. This grant program aims to increase awareness, screening, testing, and referral of patients with prediabetes to Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recognized diabetes prevention programs to prevent type 2 diabetes.

ACPM will accept proposals in three provider categories:

- Community Health Centers, Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC), Rural Health Clinics and free/charitable clinics
- Independent Physician Associations (IPA)
- Integrated Delivery Systems (IDS)

Proposal applications can be found at www.acpm.org/dpp and are due by October 10, 2017.

According to CDC data, 84 million American adults are living with prediabetes, a serious health condition that can increase risk for type 2 diabetes, heart attack and stroke. The National Diabetes Prevention Program (National DPP) was founded on the science of the Diabetes Prevention Program research study and multiple translation studies. These [studies](#) showed that adults with prediabetes who made modest behavior changes were able to lose 5 to 7 percent of their body weight and reduce their risk of developing type 2 diabetes by 58 percent.

Payer coverage for the National Diabetes Prevention Program (National DPP) continues to grow and will include expansion into Medicare, beginning in April, 2018. “The need to raise awareness and promote physician referrals to the program is critical,” said Robert Carr, ACPM President. “There is tremendous value in the National DPP in preventing one of our nation’s most prevalent and growing diseases. We need to increase the number of patients who are referred by their physicians to CDC-recognized lifestyle change programs participating in the National DPP. With this call for proposals we hope to attract innovative ideas and models to amplify and accelerate uptake in this imperative effort.”

Each organization selected to receive the grant will work closely with ACPM to develop and document best practice methods for increasing prediabetes awareness, screening, testing and referral within the practice setting. The work will result in case studies and toolkits utilized by other health delivery organizations across the country. At the conclusion of the project, grantees will present their findings at a day-long Diabetes Prevention Institute in coordination with ACPM's annual conference, May 2018 in Chicago, Illinois.

The grants are part of ACPM's partnership with the CDC Division of Diabetes Translation and are supported through a cooperative agreement with CDC's Office of State, Tribal, Local, and Territorial Support. ACPM's partnership with CDC is in its second year. It will be vital to the preparation of the provider and health system community in advance of next year's launch of the Medicare Diabetes Prevention Program. For more information, visit www.acpm.org/dpp.

About ACPM

The [American College of Preventive Medicine](http://www.acpm.org) is the professional society for physicians dedicated to prevention. ACPM provides leadership in research, professional education, development of public policy, and enhancement of standards of preventive medicine for and on behalf of our physician members. Uniquely trained in both clinical medicine and public health, preventive medicine specialists are equipped to understand and reduce the risks of disease, disability, and death in individuals and populations.