Community Access to Child Health (CATCH) Grants Program: Update

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Learning Objectives

- At the conclusion of this presentation, learners will:
 - Be familiar with the CATCH program
 - Be knowledgeable about updates to the CATCH program
 - Be prepared to apply for their own CATCH grant

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An Idea That Started 30 Years Ago...

- The concept emerged from the recognition that many pediatricians have ideas for improving the health of children in their community, but do not have time, expertise, or money to plan and implement the projects.
- CATCH is 30 years of innovation, community advocacy, and leadership development.







About CATCH



Mission

 CATCH supports pediatricians to collaborate within their communities to advance the health of all children.

Vision

 Every child in every community reaches optimal health and well-being.

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CATCH Grant Types

Resident

- Up to \$2000 awarded once a year
- Planning and/or implementation projects
- AAP Fellow and Fellowship Trainee
 - Up to \$10,000 awarded once a year
 - Apply for either
 a <u>Planning</u> or <u>Implementation</u> project

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CATCH Project Priorities

- Demonstrate creativity or innovation in the designated community
- Predominantly serve a population of children with unmet health needs
- Aim to develop strong, broad-based community partnerships
- Assess children's health or well-being and/or increase access to needed health services not otherwise available
- Be led by a pediatrician who plays a significant role in the project
- Include plans for sustainability beyond the grant period

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Promotes Health Equity

- Provide access to those with greatest need & least resources
- Identify underserved population and address specific barriers
 - Examples: language, cultural, geographic, disabilities
- Partner with existing community programs/resources
 - homeless shelter, foster care program, low-income childcare, community center, parks and rec, faithbased institutions, schools

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CATCH Supports Pediatricians to Turn Passion into Action

"Turn that frustration into an advocacy project to move the needle a little bit forward for the patients, the population, the community that you take care of—the funding from a CATCH grant really helps to move things forward."



Hilda Loria, MD, FAAP (2021 CATCH Planning grantee)



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CATCH By The Numbers

- CATCH has awarded over 10 million dollars in grants.
- Nearly 1,900 grants have been awarded in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico.
- Almost 10% of current AAP Leadership had received a CATCH grant.
- The majority of CATCH projects continue beyond their initial CATCH grant funding.

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2024 CATCH Application Timeline



- It is strongly suggested that all applicants request support & assistance (TA) as they develop any CATCH project proposals from the CATCH network of Chapter CATCH
 Facilitators (CCFs) and CATCH District Resident Liaisons (DRLs).
- Canadian applicants should contact <u>CATCH staff</u> to be connected to support & assistance.
- Applicants who reach out for support throughout the development of a CATCH application typically have stronger proposals and are awarded extra points during the review process.
- CATCH network contact rosters and the CATCH Planning, Implementation and Resident Call for Proposals are available at www.aap.org/CATCH

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Note: CATCH Grant projects are 12-months in length and may begin upon receipt of funds





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THANK YOU!

Application Deadline: January 22, 2024

Now Accepting CATCH Applications!



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