The Award Recognizes the Efforts of Cleveland’s Outstanding Non-Profit Community

The Mt. Sinai Health Care Foundation is the recipient of the 2016 American Jewish Committee (AJC Cleveland) Isaiah Award. The other recipient is Foundation grantee YWCA of Greater Cleveland. The Award was presented on March 30, 2016, at a breakfast event at The City Club. AJC Cleveland created the Isaiah Award for Human Relations over 50 years ago to recognize the work of local non-profit organizations that showed significant initiative and leadership towards advancing intergroup understanding and respect. According to the Award criteria, Isaiah serves as a symbol of our desire for peace against seemingly impossible odds, with his fervent vision, “They shall beat their swords into plowshares.”

The Award has served as a way to recognize the efforts of Cleveland’s outstanding non-profit community, which, in the spirit of Isaiah and the AJC, continues to build bridges and improve our world. Recipients of the Isaiah Award have demonstrated outstanding initiative or leadership in bridge-building, interfaith or intergroup relationships; betterment of the human condition in the Greater Cleveland community; evidence of major effort and/or results on a continuing basis; effectiveness of volunteer and community involvement in achieving goals and objectives.

In his acceptance remarks, Foundation President Mitchell Balk commented, “We do not publicize our work on a regular basis, yet it is important for Mt. Sinai, as a community-owned grantmaker, to know that our work is valued and is perceived to be achieving lasting impact. AJC’s Isaiah Award has provided us with that feedback.”

Thanks to community leaders who wrote nomination letters: Cuyahoga County Invest In Children, Greater Cleveland Congregations, Senior Transportation Connection of Cuyahoga County, and United Way of Greater Cleveland.

MT. SINAI BRINGS NURSE-FAMILY PARTNERSHIP (NFP) TO CLEVELAND FOR THE FIRST TIME

MetroHealth Awarded $1.2 Million Grant to Implement the Program

In 30 studies over the last 30 years, NFP has been proven to be an effective intervention in reducing infant mortality (by 63% compared with mothers not enrolled in NFP) and in providing lifelong benefits to both mother and child. Children who participate in NFP, for example, are 60% less likely to be involved in the juvenile justice system.

The program is designed to serve young, unmarried, first-time mothers who are from economically-disadvantaged backgrounds or households. Women voluntarily enroll as early in their pregnancy as possible, ideally by the 16th week of pregnancy, but no later than the 28th week, and continue with the program through the first two years of the child’s life. NFP focuses on first-time mothers because it is during a first pregnancy that the best chance exists to promote and teach positive health and developmental behaviors between a mother and her baby.
The NFP model combines case management and preventive services, including nursing assessments, screenings, non-medical direct services, and health education and guidance. Early intervention during pregnancy allows for any critical behavioral changes (nutrition, exercise, substance use, mental health, etc.) needed to improve the health and welfare of both mother and child. The NFP nurse develops and implements a care plan that is client-centered and reflects the needs of the client, as well as the client’s goals for herself.

During the postpartum period, the nurse assesses the health status of the mother and child, educates the mother on infant/toddler nutrition, health, growth, development and environmental safety; promotes parent/child interactions; promotes appropriate use of well-child care; and tracks the infant’s immunization status and growth and developmental milestones. The NFP nurse works to improve the parental life-course by helping parents develop a vision for their future, plan subsequent pregnancies, and continue with their education and/or career goals.

A 2013 report from the Pacific Institute for Research and Evaluation, Nurse-Family Partnership Home Visitation: Costs, Outcome, and Return on Investment, found that NFP offers significant benefits to the families it serves and significant cost savings to society and government funders. These findings varied with each state, but all states demonstrated marked benefits.

An initial commitment of $300,000 over three years has been approved by the David N. and Inez P. Myers Foundation, as well as $100,000 commitments by both the George Gund Foundation and Sisters of Charity Foundation.

Mr. Sinai is pleased to bring a well-recognized, evidence-based program to Cleveland as a way to address many societal challenges for Cleveland’s youngest, most vulnerable families.

www.nursefamilypartnership.org

NURSE-FAMILY PARTNERSHIP (NFP)

By-The-Numbers

- NFP cost per family served: $7,834 (over 2.5 years)
- Savings to state and local government at age 18 of child served: $7,348
- Savings to federal government at age 18: $10,594
- Total government savings at age 18: $15,929
  (2.35 times the cost of the program)
- Cumulative savings to Medicaid at age 18: $11,811
- Total societal savings: $47,118
  ($6.00 return on investment for every dollar invested in NFP)

In addition to the return on investment that has been demonstrated for the NFP program, the study analysis predicted that the following outcomes could be achieved in Ohio:

- Prenatal: Reduction in smoking during pregnancy, pregnancy-induced hypertension, first preterm births (<37 weeks), infant mortality;
- Post-partum (mother): Reduction in closely-spaced second births, subsequent preterm births;
- Post-partum (child): Reduction in emergency department use related to childhood injuries; child maltreatment; language delay; youth crimes and arrests (ages 11-17); alcohol, tobacco & marijuana use (ages 12-15);
- Other targets:
  - Reduction in TANF payments (through 9 years post-partum)
  - Increase in full immunization status (ages 0-2)
  - Reduction in Food Stamp payments (through 9 years post-partum)
  - Reduction in person/months of Medicaid coverage (through 15 years post-partum)
  - Reduction in costs if on Medicaid through age 18
  - Reduction in subsidized child care caseload

MT. SINAI – ROBERT S. GARSON RESEARCH DAY

University Hospitals Neurological Institute
Mt. Sinai – Robert S. Garson Research Day
Wednesday, March 30, 2016

(left to right): Foundation President Mitchell Balk;
Henry Kaminski, MD, chairman, Department of Neurology,
George Washington University
Mt. Sinai – Robert S. Garson Visiting Lecturer;
Anthony Furlan, MD, chairman, Department of Neurology,
University Hospitals Case Medical Center;
Robert B. Daroff, MD past chairman, Department of Neurology,
University Hospitals Case Medical Center,
interim vice dean for education and academic affairs,
Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine.
In recognition of a Mt. Sinai grant to create a Jewish prayer room at Cleveland Clinic’s Main Campus, the hospital has named the new facility in the Foundation’s honor.

“Just a stone’s throw from where we are today sat The Mt. Sinai Medical Center, Cleveland’s Jewish hospital. Thankfully, the purpose for which Mt. Sinai and other Jewish hospitals around the country came into being… has largely fallen into history. Yet, there remains an important need to meet the cultural and religious requirements of observant Jews who need medical care, as well as their families. The Cleveland Clinic serves Jews from all over the world: A man from London waiting for a heart transplant, the family of an Israeli soldier brought here for deep brain stimulation, and Jewish parents from Mexico seeking a miracle for their young child. They come, of course, for the world-renowned Cleveland Clinic, but they are also comforted to know that their religious needs will be met.”

— Mt. Sinai Board Chair Keith Libman

The Scholars Program was created in 1997 with the purpose of expanding the depth and breadth of the talent pool of young scientists at the School of Medicine, thus, strengthening the medical research capacity of Cleveland. This partnership has a proven track record of success in achieving this goal.

Of the 24 scholars recruited between 1997 and 2014, 18 are still at the University as faculty members, conducting leading-edge research. At the end of 2014, the co-investment of this program through a 1:1 match by the Foundation and the School of Medicine had generated almost $56 million in external research funding.

Based on the history of this initiative, the Foundation awarded a fifth Mt. Sinai Scholars Program grant in March 2015. Three new scholars were named following this announcement, with positions in the Department of Genetics and Genome Sciences: Drew Adams, PhD; Fulai Jin, PhD; and Yan Li, PhD.

Dr. Adams came to Case School of Medicine following his postdoctoral training at the Broad Institute, Boston, MA. Dr. Adams’ research uses the newly-founded Small-Molecule Drug Development Core in the School of Medicine to screen large collections of drug-like chemicals to identify the “needle-in-the-haystack” molecules that have a potentially therapeutic impact in cultured cell models of disease. Ultimately, these chemical starting points for drug development are optimized and studied further in animal disease models, particularly in cancer and multiple sclerosis.

Dr. Jin did his postdoctoral work at the Ludwig Institute for Cancer Research, University of California San Diego, CA. His research interests are in understanding the roles of 3D genome architecture in transcription regulation and human diseases, such as breast cancer. He is also developing new experimental and computational tools for genome-wide mapping of 3D genome architecture in mammalian cells.

Dr. Li also received her postdoctoral training at the Ludwig Institute for Cancer Research, University of California San Diego, CA. She is currently conducting research in the area of non-coding genetic variances associated with diabetes, using integrative genomic analysis and other genetic tools.

With new Mt. Sinai Scholars (left to right): Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine Dean Pamela B. Davis, MD, PhD; Yan Li, PhD; Drew Adams, PhD; Fulai Jin, PhD; Mt. Sinai Health Care Foundation President Mitchell Balk.
RECENT GRANT AWARDS

Grant Awards for December 2015 and March 2016

ACADEMIC MEDICINE & BIOSCIENCE

Baldwin Wallace University
$1,400 for On-Campus Health Careers Exploration Week
(June 19-24, 2016)

Case Western Reserve University
$500 for the School of Medicine: Medical Student Doc Opera MMXV,
December 4, 2015

Case Western Reserve University
$9,745 for the Mt. Sinai Visiting Scholar in Jewish Bioethics,
Paul Wolfe, PhD (February 5-7, 2016)

Case Western Reserve University
$25,000 for the Dittrick Medical History Center and
Museum Exhibit: How Medicine Became Modern

Central School of Practical Nursing
$20,000 for ATI Intervention for NCLEX-PN (National Council of State Board of Nursing Examination-Practical Nursing) Success

Current Concepts Foundation
$2,250 for the 2016 Rudolph S. Petch, MD, Lectureship and Barry Friedman, MD, awards in Orthopedics

HEALTH OF THE JEWISH COMMUNITY

Bellefaire JCB
$1,000,000 over three years to create an acute pediatric psychiatric hospital

Bikur Cholim of Cleveland
$1,964 for the Community Cancer Education event, September 20, 2015 (fiscal agent)

The Cleveland Women’s Orchestra
$1,500 for the Orchestra’s musical concert outreach program to residents of long-term care facilities at Montefiore

Malz Museum of Jewish Heritage
$2,500 for the Annual Malz Heritage Award, May 19, 2016

HEALTH POLICY

The Center for Community Solutions
$50,000 for the AIDS Funding Collaborative Funding Partner Membership (fiscal agent)

The City Club of Cleveland
$350 for the Thomas Farley, MD, MPH, lecture, February 2, 2016

County Action Committee
$5,000 for the Health and Human Services Levy Campaign

Cuyahoga Health Access Partnership (CHAP)
$20,000 support for sustainability and governance implementation

Health Policy Institute of Ohio (HPIO)
$450,000 over three years for improving the health and well-being of Ohioans through informed policy decisions

LEAP (Linking Employment, Abilities and Potential)
$49,000 for the public policy initiative to improve access to and quality of home and community-based services for people with disabilities in Greater Cleveland

Philanthropy Ohio
$10,000 for the 2016 Health Initiative

HEALTH OF THE URBAN COMMUNITY

The Center for Community Solutions
$40,200 for the evaluation of Better Birth Control, formerly NEO LARC
(Northeast Ohio Long Acting Reproductive Contraception)

Cleveland Leadership Center
$350 for “Accelerate 2016: Citizens Make Change”

Eliza Bryant Village
$20,000 for the CEO succession plan

Environmental Health Watch (EHW)
$48,989 for engaging the community in new approaches to healthy housing

Free Medical Clinic of Greater Cleveland
$100,000 for general support

Greater Cleveland Neighborhood Centers Association (GCNCA)
$2,546 for the Village in the Heights Initiative: Community survey

HandsOn Northeast Ohio
$6,000 for 2016 Homeless Stand Down

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$60,000 over two years for Healthy People, Healthy Place, Healthy Future program

MetroHealth Foundation
Up to $1,200,000 over three years for Mt. Sinai-initiated MetroHealth Nurse-Family Partnership (NFP) program

Milestones Autism Resources
$41,745 for the Coaching Capacity-building Initiative

Neighborhood Family Practice (NFP)
$500 for NFP’s 35th anniversary, August 29, 2015

North Coast Community Homes (NCCH)
$1,000 for the support of the educational portion of the NCCH 2015 Annual Meeting

Ohio State University Foundation
Up to $84,654 for the Cuyahoga County Produce Perks and Produce Prescription programs

Planned Parenthood of Greater Ohio
$11,500 for the Security and Patient Safety Initiative

Senior Transportation Connection (STC) of Cuyahoga County
$6,000 for STC’s 10th anniversary, August 15, 2015

Thea Bowman Center
$28,000 for the Healthy Living Senior Outreach Project

YWCA Greater Cleveland
$100,000 over two years for the Therapeutic Early Learning Center: Early childhood education and supportive services for Cuyahoga County’s most vulnerable children and families, Years 2 & 3

OTHER

Grantmakers In Aging
$2,500 for 2016 annual membership

Health Research Alliance
$2,500 for 2016 annual membership

Philanthropy Ohio
$12,500 for 2016 annual membership
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