



MT. SINAI AND PARTNERS MOVE TO REDUCE LEAD POISONING IN CLEVELAND

By Daniel Cohn, vice president, Strategy

BACKGROUND: LEAD POISONING AND LEAD EXPOSURE

Lead is an environmental toxin that affects the brain, heart, bones, and kidneys. Protecting children from exposure to lead is important to lifelong good health. Even very low levels of lead in blood have been shown to affect IQ, ability to pay attention, and academic achievement. **The effects of lead exposure are irreversible.**

Lead poisoning occurs when lead builds up in the body, often over months or years. Even small amounts of lead can cause serious health problems, many of which are not detected until years after exposure. Children younger than six years old are especially vulnerable to poisoning, which can severely affect mental and physical development. Lead poisoning can be prevented by keeping children from coming into contact with the toxin.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports that there are **no safe levels of lead in the bloodstream**. Any lead in a child's system poses significant risks, including those listed below. Lead also poses risks prenatally. Pregnant women who are exposed to lead have an increased risk of premature birth, miscarriage, stillbirth, and low birth weight.

- Sluggishness and chronic fatigue;
- Digestive issues;
- Hearing loss;
- Seizures;
- Intellectual/developmental delays;
- Learning disabilities;
- Irritability, anger, and aggression;
- Weight loss and loss of appetite.

EXPOSURE RISK

Childhood lead poisoning reached national prominence in the wake of the Flint, Michigan, water crisis of 2014, during which seven (7) percent of children tested positive for elevated blood lead levels (EBLLs). Flint's story is tragic, yet the breadth and depth of its issues are far eclipsed in Cleveland, a city where up to 40 percent of children will have an EBLL before age 5.

Since 1990, more than 40,000 children in Cuyahoga County have been poisoned by lead, with the overwhelming majority residing in Cleveland. What's more, these numbers hardly capture the extent of the problem because nearly two-thirds of children at risk for poisoning in Cleveland have not been appropriately screened.

Lead-based paint and lead-contaminated dust in older buildings are the most common sources of lead exposure. Yet, in Cuyahoga County, where 80 percent of homes were built before 1978—the year consumer use of lead-based paint was banned nationally—low-income residents face significant barriers to finding safe, healthy homes.

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Cleveland delegation attending the U.S. Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Healthy Homes Conference

(Left to Right) Commissioner **Brian Kimball**, City of Cleveland Department of Public Health; Cleveland City Council President **Kevin Kelley**;

Director **Ayonna Blue Donald**, City of Cleveland Department of Building and Housing; Mt. Sinai Vice President, Strategy, **Daniel Cohn**;

Enterprise Community Partners State and Local Policy Director **Emily Lundgard**; City of Cleveland Chief of Public Affairs **Natoya Walker Minor**;

Environmental Health Watch Executive Director **Kim Foreman**; City of Cleveland Councilman **Blaine Griffin**, chair of the Health & Human Services Committee.

(Not Pictured) City of Cleveland Councilman **Kerry McCormack**, vice-chair, Health & Human Services Committee.

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LEAD POISONING: SUCCESSFUL INTERVENTIONS EXIST

Lead exposure is a public health issue with a housing solution. Various models of primary prevention exist, but the basic idea across most of them is the same: Improve housing conditions so that children do not have the opportunity to ingest or inhale lead-based paint chips or dust in the home. The most prominent example of this approach can be found in Rochester, NY, which has seen a 90 percent reduction in childhood lead poisoning in the ten years between 2006 and 2016.

There exists an opportunity in Cleveland to implement similar policies to help protect children from lead-based paint exposures. As David Jacobs, chief scientist with the National Center for Healthy Housing, has stated, “Lead isn’t going anywhere. But there are things we can do to protect most kids from ever being exposed to it.”

To this end, Mt. Sinai has convened “Funders Concerned About Lead Poisoning” and recently organized and led a Cleveland leadership delegation to the U.S. Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Healthy Homes conference in Anaheim, California (see photo on page 1). Together with many partners in the private, philanthropic and public sectors, Mt. Sinai is working toward policy change that will significantly reduce lead exposure in Cleveland’s children. If Cleveland fails to act, the significant cost of human suffering and loss of human potential will continue to be severe.

MT. SINAI SCHOLARS MAKE BREAKTHROUGH IN MYELIN REPAIR

HAS IMPLICATIONS FOR TREATING NEURODEGENERATIVE DISEASES

Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine – Mt. Sinai Scholars Drew Adams, PhD, and Paul Tesar, PhD, have published two major papers in top tier scientific journals detailing their progress toward breakthrough medicines to stimulate regeneration of myelin. The work holds great promise for the treatment of neurodegenerative diseases, particularly Multiple Sclerosis.

Adams and Tesar co-founded a Cleveland-based startup company, Convelo Therapeutics, to transform these findings into therapies. Convelo Therapeutics, Inc., announced in July that it has “launched from stealth mode with a mission to discover and develop a new class of medicines that regenerate the protective myelin coating around nerve cells that is lost in a wide array of neurological diseases, including multiple sclerosis (MS). Seminal scientific discoveries made in the laboratories of Drs. Paul Tesar and Drew Adams at Case

Western Reserve University School of Medicine provide the foundation of Convelo’s discovery platform. Their most recent work, published online in the journals *Nature* and *Nature Methods*, identified a central molecular pathway for stimulating the regeneration of new myelinating cells in the central nervous system.” The discovery of agents that can restore myelin represents a new therapeutic paradigm for patients with neurodegenerative diseases characterized by loss of myelin.

According to Tesar, “The Mt. Sinai Health Care Foundation’s generous support was essential to advance early stage discoveries from our laboratories into a place where our first ‘therapeutic’ can now be tested in patients. We could not have done this without you!”



Mitchell Balk, left, with Mt. Sinai Scholar Paul Tesar, PhD

The Mt. Sinai Health Care Foundation seeks to assist Greater Cleveland’s organizations and leaders to improve the health and well-being of the Jewish and general communities now and for generations to come.

THREE APPOINTED TO MT. SINAI BOARD

Three new Directors were appointed to the Foundation's Board of Directors at its June 14, 2018, annual meeting. Two individuals, Larry Goldberg and Randall J. Korach, completed the maximum nine years of Board service and were recognized for their leadership. In addition, the following individuals were elected or re-elected officers for a one-year term: Susan Ratner, chair, Dan A. Polster and Jeffrey L. Ponsky, MD, vice-chairs, Ira C. Kaplan, treasurer, and Julie Adler Raskind, secretary. The three new Directors are:



Cheryl L. Davis



Susan R. Hurwitz



Jeremy A. Paris

CHERYL L. DAVIS

A civic leader with more than 25 years of diverse experience in the areas of corporate governance, board relations, public policy, strategic development, and community engagement, Cheryl Davis most recently served at the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland (2003-2017) as vice president, Regional Analytics and Outreach, vice president/corporate secretary, vice president, Corporate Affairs, and senior counsel to the Board of Directors and bank management.

Earlier, she served as vice president at the Greater Cleveland Growth Association, director, Strategic Development, at Cleveland-Cuyahoga County Port Authority and from 1990 to 1995 was special assistant to City of Cleveland Mayor Michael R. White where she directed state and federal government relations and managed relationships with the city's 22 boards and commissions.

She serves or has served on the boards of the Gathering Place (Board chair 2011- 2014), The Jewish Federation of Cleveland where she served as chair of the Community Relations Committee, Jewish Family Service Association and the Cleveland Jewish News. Davis is working on a Master of Public Health degree (expected August 2019) from Kent State University and holds a Master of Public Administration from the Harvard University John F. Kennedy School of Government.

SUSAN R. HURWITZ

A returning Mt. Sinai Director, Susan served as chair of the Grants Committee and vice-chair of the Board. She is past Board chair of Montefiore, trustee of the Jewish Federation of Cleveland and past chair of its Community Services Planning Committee, a member of the Board of University Hospitals, and past Board member of the Jewish Federations of North America and its Long-term Care Committee. Most recently, Susan became a member of the Advisory Committee of the Case Western Reserve University-led Cleveland Brain Health Initiative.

JEREMY A. PARIS

Jeremy Paris returned to his hometown of Cleveland from Washington, D.C., and is currently a consultant to University Circle, Inc. From 2014 to 2016, he served as executive director of the Group Plan Commission (GPC) that transformed Cleveland's Public Square and worked on other projects involving Cleveland's downtown civic center and its lakefront.

From 2008 to 2013, Jeremy served as chief counsel for Nominations and Oversight of the Senate Judiciary Committee under Senator Patrick Leahy, responsible for nominations to the U.S. Supreme Court, lower federal courts and the Department of Justice, including the nominations of Justice Sonia Sotomayor, Justice Elena Kagan, Chief Justice John Roberts and Justice Sam Alito. He holds a JD from Harvard Law School and a BA from Yale University.

THE MT. SINAI HEALTH CARE FOUNDATION

Annual Meeting

2018 ANNUAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14, 2018,
SEVERANCE HALL
REINBERGER CHAMBER HALL



The Mt. Sinai Annual Meeting was held on June 14, 2018, and highlighted Cleveland's Nurse-Family Partnership (NFP) program, operated by MetroHealth Medical Center. The program provides nurse-home visits beginning prenatally to first-time moms and is proven to be a highly effective intervention for vulnerable families, with lifelong benefits for both mom and baby. Mt. Sinai brought the program to Cleveland as part of its primary prevention strategy. A video featuring Cleveland NFP was shown at the meeting and can be viewed on the Foundation's website as part of the 2017-18 annual report.

(Above) Mt. Sinai President Mitchell Balk, left, with David Olds, PhD, guest presenter and founder, Nurse-Family Partnership



(Left) Mt. Sinai Board Chair Susan Ratner and James Ratner



(Right) Mt. Sinai Directors David F. Adler and Kim Meisel Pesses



(Left) 2018 Maurice Saltzman Award Recipients Fabio Cominelli, MD, PhD, left, and Robert L. Haynie, MD, PhD, with Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine Dean Pamela B. Davis, MD, PhD



(Right) Cuyahoga County Executive Armond Budish and Amy Budish



Mt. Sinai Director and Chair, 2018 Maurice Saltzman Award Selection Committee Fred C. Rothstein, MD, with (Left) Award Recipient Fabio Cominelli, MD, PhD and (Right) Award Recipient Robert L. Haynie, MD, PhD



(Left) Mt. Sinai Directors Don Scherzer, Richard J. Bogomolny, Robert S. Reitman (Life Director)
(Right) Mt. Sinai Board Chair Susan Ratner, left, with Case Western Reserve University President Barbara L. Snyder



(Left) Interim Program Officer Shelly Galvin, center, with Vice-Chair Jeffrey L. Ponsky, MD, and Jackie Ponsky
(Right) Mt. Sinai Director Thomas W. Adler and Joanie Adler



(Left) Mt. Sinai Director and chair, Nurse-Family Partnership (NFP) Advisory Committee Belleruth Naparstek, left, with MetroHealth NFP's social worker Donea Roddy
(Right) Nurse-Family Partnership participant Sherida T. with baby Dreshaun

THE 2018 MAURICE SALTZMAN AWARD

FABIO COMINELLI AND ROBERT L. HAYNIE RECEIVE 2018 SALTZMAN AWARD

THE 2018 MAURICE SALTZMAN AWARD WAS PRESENTED TO
FABIO COMINELLI, MD, PHD, AND ROBERT L. HAYNE, MD, PHD, AT THE FOUNDATION'S
JUNE 14, 2018, ANNUAL MEETING AT SEVERANCE HALL

Maury Saltzman, for whom the award was named, was raised at what was then Bellefaire Jewish Orphan's Home and lived there until he graduated from Cleveland Heights High School. As he rose to become one of our community's most successful businessmen and philanthropists, he did not forget his early years.

He had a special interest in the health needs of people everywhere, with a particular affinity for The Mt. Sinai Medical Center, where he became a major benefactor and served as Board Chair from 1976 to 1979. Maury's life provides the benchmark against which each recipient of the Saltzman Award is measured. The award has honored Mr. Saltzman and its recipients for 36 years.

The Saltzman Award is one of the most prestigious honors in Cleveland. All of the past winners have contributed greatly to making Cleveland a center of medical excellence.



(Left) Fabio Cominelli, MD, PhD | *(Right)* Robert Haynie, MD, PhD

2018 Saltzman Award Selection Committee

Foundation Directors Dr. Tom Abelson, David Adler, Beth Wain Brandon, Dan Polster, Dr. Jeffrey Ponsky, 2007 Saltzman award recipient; Foundation Board Chair Susan Ratner; Foundation President Mitchell Balk; Dr. Pamela Davis, dean of the Case School of Medicine and 1998 Saltzman award recipient; and Dr. Nathan Berger, former Dean of the Case School of Medicine and 2013 Saltzman award recipient.

Past Saltzman Award Recipients

LeRoy Matthews, MD (1983) • Herman Hellerstein, MD (1984) • Saul Genuth, MD (1985) • David N. Myers (1986) • Matthew Levy, MD (1987)
Jack H. Medalie, MD (1988) • Richard E. Behrman, MD (1989) • Joseph Foley, MD (1990) • Richard W. Hanson, PhD (1991) • Richard Fratianne, MD (1992)
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Pamela Bowes Davis, MD, PhD (1998) • Emanuel Wolinsky, MD (1999) • Roland W. Moskowitz, MD (2000) • Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine (2001)
Joyce A. Lee, RN, MA (2002) • Edward M. Hundert, MD, Floyd D. Loop, MD, Fred C. Rothstein, MD, Terry R. White (2003)
Cleveland Functional Electrical Stimulation Center (2004) • Case Comprehensive Cancer Center under the leadership of Stanton L. Gerson, MD (2005)
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Albert Waldo, MD, and Avrum I. Froimson, MD (2015) • Jackson T. Wright, Jr., MD, PhD (2016) • Terry Allen, MPH (2017)

THE 2018 MAURICE SALTZMAN AWARD

FABIO COMINELLI, MD, PHD

Dr. Fabio Cominelli is a Case Western Reserve University (CWRU) Professor of Medicine, Director of CWRU's Digestive Disease Health Research Institute, and an internationally acclaimed authority on inflammatory bowel disease (IBD).

Since his recruitment to Cleveland in 2008, Dr. Cominelli has revitalized the University Hospitals Division of Gastroenterology as a center of excellence for research, training and clinical care for patients with GI disorders and has established Cleveland and CWRU as a world-class center for academic and translational research and a referral center for patients with IBD. Dr. Cominelli has served as Principal Investigator on several major NIH research grants, published more than 160 peer-reviewed scientific papers, and has been responsible for over \$30 million in NIH research support for CWRU. His seminal work in intestinal inflammation has allowed major advances and new therapeutic approaches for patients with IBD.

Prior to CWRU, Dr. Cominelli served as Chief of the Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology at the University of Virginia, where he conceived and created a multi-disciplinary digestive disease center with an emphasis on basic and clinical research, one of the first such centers in the

country. This multidisciplinary academic model has now been adopted by numerous academic institutions in the U.S.

Dr. Cominelli is dedicated to teaching medical students, residents and fellows and has trained or mentored more than 40 individuals in basic research, most of whom are now independent investigators with their own NIH funding. He spends a great deal of time lecturing and visiting universities abroad, where he is able to recruit graduate and post graduate fellows to Case. As a result, he was appointed CWRU Associate Dean for Program Development in 2015 to further develop international affiliations, promote interdisciplinary programs and support the research training of medical students. Dr. Cominelli is an invited speaker at national and international conferences and serves on numerous university and national committees. His important contributions have been recognized by many prestigious honors and awards.

Dr. Cominelli is an outstanding leader and has been able to make a major impact on the City of Cleveland by creating programs that encourage multiple institutions to collaborate and work together to solve research problems that will lead to better care for patients with IBD.

ROBERT L. HAYNIE, MD, PHD

Dr. Robert Haynie was nominated by his peers and touted as "distinguished among laypeople and medical professionals by his extraordinary abilities as a physician and teacher, his charitable deeds and unending service to others." A hypertension expert, leading educator and outstanding Case Western alumnus, Dr. Haynie has a long history of service to CWRU and The Mt. Sinai Medical Center.

Bob obtained his PhD in Chemistry at Case in 1972. He left town for two years and then returned to CWRU where he completed medical school in 1978 and an internship and residency at Mt. Sinai. In 1982, he joined the Mt. Sinai Emergency Medicine department. He left for private practice for several years but returned to Mt. Sinai as the director of the Internal Medicine Residency Training Program where he excelled as a teacher and role-model clinician.

Dr. Haynie served as director of the Mt. Sinai Medicine Clerkship Program from 1985 to 1989 and then became director of Mt. Sinai's Hypertension Control Center with Dr. Victor Vertes. From 1990 to 1995, Dr. Haynie was the director of the Transitional Year Program at Mt. Sinai, and he assumed, in 1994, the position of medical director of the Center for Urban Health and then became Chief of the Division of General Internal Medicine.

In 2001 and until he became Emeritus in 2017, Bob served as the associate dean for Student Affairs at the Case School of Medicine, where he served on and chaired many committees. Dr. Haynie has received numerous

awards, including the 2014 medical student-voted Kaiser Permanente Award for Excellence in Teaching. He was also named Outstanding Professor at the Ohio College of Podiatric Medicine, received the Mt. Sinai Medical Society Faculty Teaching Excellence Award, the 1995 CWRU School of Medicine Clifford J. Vogt, MD, Alumni Service Award, and the CWRU 2015 Newton D. Baker Distinguished Service Award. He is a member of numerous associations and has published articles primarily in the field of hypertension.

Beyond his research and practice, Dr. Haynie serves on a number of boards and actively works with elementary to high school-aged students in juvenile services and jail diversion programs. Beginning in early 2000, when the John Hay-Robbins Bridge Program was set up by Dr. Haynie, numerous CWRU medical students have gone to John Hay High School to teach topics in science and medicine. The program, to which Dr. Haynie is still committed, continues to thrive and enriches student academic experiences and broadens high school students' exposure to careers in medicine.

Dr. Haynie recently initiated the Fairfax Four Corners Program, where he partners with Bolton Elementary School and the surrounding Fairfax community. He hopes to steer students in this low-income and under-resourced community away from juvenile justice and toward institutions of higher learning. Dr. Haynie is true to his profession and his calling. His lifelong commitment to learning, teaching, and civic engagement make him an ideal person to represent the life of the late Maurice Saltzman.

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IN MEMORIAM: VICTOR GELB AND PHILIP S. SIMS



Victor Gelb



Philip S. Sims

VICTOR GELB

The following are remarks from a eulogy delivered on May 23, 2018,
by Mt. Sinai President Mitchell Balk.

I shall pass this way but once. Any good that I can do or any kindness I can show to any human being, let me do it now. Let me not defer nor neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again.

I first met Vic Gelb 26 years ago when I came to Cleveland to interview for a job at Mt. Sinai Hospital. Vic was chair of the search committee that included Henry Zucker, Jeff Ponsky and others, among the warmest individuals a job applicant could ever encounter. So I came, and soon after, Vic was elected Board Chair of the hospital... where we worked closely together.

While there are thousands of men and women from nearly every sector of human endeavor who make up the pages of the Mt. Sinai story, Vic Gelb figures very prominently. It was during Vic's tenure that it became evident that Mt. Sinai would not be able to continue as a stand-alone provider into the future. And so, Vic and the Board of Trustees made the decision to sell the operating assets of The Mt. Sinai Health Care System. And while the Board's insight was spot on and its timing impeccable, its decision was not

easily understood by the rank-and-file members of the Cleveland Jewish community. And so, Vic took it upon himself to explain the rationale of the sale to Mt. Sinai's many constituencies.

Vic also agreed to stay on as Chair of the advisory committee of the now for-profit Mt. Sinai in order to safeguard the interests of its doctors, nurses and staff who dedicated their lives to that institution and the patients it continued to serve. His commitment also extended to Mt. Sinai donors and to Cleveland, where Mt. Sinai played an outsized role and served as the east side's only Level I Trauma Center.

After the hospital was closed by its new owners, Vic joined the Board of the Mt. Sinai Health Care Foundation, where he later served as Board Chair. When you asked Vic why he did what he did, he recited a quote attributed to a Quaker missionary:

I shall pass this way but once. Any good that I can do or any kindness I can show to any human being, let me do it now. Let me not defer nor neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again.

May his memory be for a blessing.

PHILIP S. SIMS

Long-time Mt. Sinai Medical Center and Mt. Sinai Health Care Foundation Director **Philip S. Sims** passed away on July 20, 2018. For more than twenty years after the 1996 sale of Mt. Sinai's operating assets, Phil served as Board Chair of the non-profit Mt. Sinai Medical Center corporation, an entity commonly referred to as "Old Mt. Sinai."

Old Mt. Sinai exists to close down the affairs of Cleveland's Jewish-sponsored hospital, to liquidate all remaining assets, address ongoing liabilities and achieve final settlements with insurers, including Medicare and Medicaid.

Phil's oversight of the close-down operation resulted in the donation by Old Mt. Sinai of tens of millions of dollars to the Mt. Sinai Health Care Foundation, an entity that Phil would also serve as Director and chair of the Investment Committee.

Phil was vice-chairman of Premier Industrial Corporation/Premier Farnell and a trustee of Parkwood Corporation. He was also a trustee of the Jewish Federation of Cleveland and Montefiore.

May his memory be for a blessing.

CONTRIBUTIONS & BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Mt. Sinai Health Care Foundation expresses its sincere appreciation to its friends and supporters for their many generous contributions. In addition to honoring or remembering loved ones, gifts to the various funds help to improve the health status of the Greater Cleveland community through the Foundation's grantmaking.

CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED BETWEEN JANUARY 1, 2018, AND JULY 30, 2018

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Marjorie & Jerome M. Besuner Cancer Fund

In Honor of *Barbara Lee Besuner, Alison & Daniel Mathew Klausner*

In Memory of *Jerome M. Besuner, Richard (Richie) Kurlander, Robert Snelson, Dorothea (Dottie) Zupan*

Marsha J. Besuner Klausner

The Mt. Sinai Health Care Foundation General Fund

In Honor of *Drs. Sosamma and Nathan Berger*

Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Reitman

In Honor of *Mitchell Balk's B'nai Jeshurun Congregation Sisterhood group presentation*

B'nai Jeshurun Sisterhood

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Rachel L. Taylor

In Memory of *Victor Gelb*

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In Memory of *Betty Holdstein*

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Abrahams

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The Mt. Sinai Health Care Foundation is pleased to acknowledge that the following philanthropic distribution was recently received.

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Dr. Hans J. and Betty Rubin Trust

JEWISH HEALTH CARE CONVERSION FOUNDATIONS SUMMIT



Participants in the spring 2018 Jewish Health Care Conversion
Foundations Program Staff Summit in Washington, D.C.

Mitchell Balk has chaired a CEO Summit of the group every five years since 1998. This was the first expanded meeting involving program staff. Representatives of Jewish hospital conversion foundations in Cleveland, Detroit, Newark, Louisville, Chicago, Kansas City and Pittsburgh were in attendance.

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RECENT GRANT AWARDS

MARCH AND JUNE 2018 GRANT AWARDS

ACADEMIC MEDICINE/BIOSCIENCE

Alpha Omega International Jewish Dental Fraternity
\$200 for the Alpha Omega Educational Conference Scholarships

Alpha Omega International Jewish Dental Fraternity - Cleveland Chapter
\$600 for the Alpha Omega Regional Meeting (November 3-5, 2017)

Case Western Reserve University
\$20,000 for the Scientific Enrichment Opportunity Program (SEOP)
for High School Students

The Cleveland Clinic Foundation
\$10,000 for Heart Transplant Organ Donation Education

Cleveland State University
\$1,000 for the Radiance Scholarship Event (May 8, 2018)

Current Concepts Foundation
\$2,250 for the 2018 Rudolph Reich, MD, Lectureship and
Barry Friedman, MD, Awards

University Hospitals Cleveland Medical Center
\$2,500 to Support Music Therapy Services

University Hospitals Cleveland Medical Center
\$10,000 for the Breast Cancer Genomic Sequencing Project

HEALTH OF THE JEWISH COMMUNITY

Congregation Shaarey Tikvah
\$1,000 for the Ad Ha'Kol: Cleveland's Racial Equity Passover Seder

Hebrew Academy of Cleveland
\$751 for Defibrillator Purchase

Kol Israel Foundation
\$600 for the 59th Anniversary Tribute Event (May 6, 2018)

Suburban Temple - Kol Ami
\$3,000 for Reaching Out: Spirituality and the LGBT Community

United States Holocaust Memorial Museum
\$1,000 for the 2018 Cleveland Luncheon for
Cleveland Area Survivors to Attend (May 23, 2018)

Bike Cleveland
\$10,000 for the 2018 Open Streets Initiative

(See Grants on Page 11)

BEYOND CHICKEN SOUP: JEWS & MEDICINE IN AMERICA

(Left to Right) Sara Hassler-Frato, RN, and Lyn Albertson-Brom, RN,
share memories of their training at the Mt. Sinai School of Nursing in the 1960s.
The program was part of the Maltz Museum of Jewish Heritage exhibit on
Jews and medicine in America.

HEALTH POLICY

The Cleveland Foundation
\$20,000 for Immigrant Health and Human Services

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

Health Policy Institute of Ohio
\$18,000 for Policy Briefs to Protect Medicaid Expansion

ideastream®
\$30,000 for the Be Well: Health and
Well-Being Program Support 2018-2019

Legal Aid Society of Columbus
\$10,000 for Protecting Medicaid through Legal Advocacy

**Ohio Association of Health, Physical Education,
Recreation and Dance (OAHPERD)**
\$79,800 for Ohio's Health Education Standards and
Model Curriculum Development

Philanthropy Ohio
\$10,000 for the 2018 Health Initiative

Voices for Ohio's Children
\$75,000 for General Operating Support

OTHER

Grantmakers In Aging
\$3,000 for 2018 Annual Membership
(Nov 1, 2017, thru Oct 31, 2018)

Health Research Alliance, Inc.
\$3,125 for 2018 Annual Membership

Philanthropy Ohio
\$12,500 for 2018 Annual Membership



RECENT GRANT AWARDS

MARCH AND JUNE 2018 GRANT AWARDS *(Continued)*

HEALTH OF THE URBAN COMMUNITY

Boys & Girls Clubs of Cleveland \$100,000 for the Cleveland Peacemakers Alliance: Senior Case Manager	Helen Keller International \$100,000 for ChildSight® Ohio: Providing Vision Care to Youth in Need
Burten, Bell, Carr Development, Inc. \$40,000 for the Healthy Food Access Initiative	M.C. Chatman Center for Humanitarian Services \$3,000 for the Healthy Living Expo (August 18, 2018)
The City Club of Cleveland \$3,000 for the Sponsorship of Friday Forum featuring David L. Olds, PhD (June 15, 2018)	Mental Health & Addiction Advocacy Coalition (MHAC) \$2,500 for MHAC Advocacy and Research Activities
City of Cleveland \$2,200 for the Dept of Aging: Senior Day (May 24, 2018)	MobileMed 1 Inc. (dba MedWorks) \$80,000 over two years for CHAP Transition into Medworks
City of Cleveland \$22,800 for the Cleveland Police Mindfulness and Yoga Program	Northeast Ohio Black Health Coalition \$1,000 for the Seminar on Race, Racism and Health (January 13, 2018)
Cleveland Development Foundation \$10,000 for National Search for Director of Health and Human Services for Cuyahoga County	Positive Education Program \$100,000 for Instituting and Implementing an Integrated Electronic Health and Education Record System
Cleveland Minority Organ & Tissue Transplant Education Program (MOTTEP) \$11,396 for the Healthy Teens, Healthy Tomorrow: Teen Summit Program	Schools Health & Libraries Broadband Coalition \$1,500 for the Net Inclusion 2018 Conference (April 17-19, 2018)
College Now Greater Cleveland \$500 for Invest in Success (June 12, 2018) honoring The Cleveland Foundation, George Gund Foundation, Martha Holden Jennings Foundation and John Huntington Fund for Education	United Way of Greater Cleveland \$10,000 for HIPAA Compliance Consultant
Cuyahoga Community College \$10,000 for the Tri-C Nursing and Health Careers Consultant	University Circle Incorporated \$16,949 for the Birthing Beautiful Communities (BBC) Central Neighborhood Project
East Cleveland Neighborhood Center \$2,500 for 2018 Nutrition Programming in Summer Freedom Schools	University Settlement, Inc. \$10,000 for Strategic Review and Planning for Senior and Adult Services
Engage! Cleveland \$1,000 for the Young Professional Week: Health and Wellness Initiative 2018	Waiting Child Fund \$50,000 for the 30 Days to Family Program
HandsOn Northeast Ohio \$7,500 for the 2018 Homeless Stand Down	YWCA Greater Cleveland \$1,000 for the 4th Annual "It's Time to Talk: Forums on Race"
	YWCA Greater Cleveland \$50,000 for Addressing the Impact of Childhood Trauma on Behavior and Physical Health and Performance

FOUNDATION NEWS IN BRIEF

Founding Board Chair/Life Director **S. Lee Kohrman** was the recipient of the Jewish Federation of Cleveland's Charles Eisenman Award, the Federation's highest honor.

Foundation Director and Federal Judge **Dan A. Polster** was featured in a front page story in the March 5, 2018, edition of *The New York Times* entitled, "Can This Judge Solve the Opioid Crisis?". In December 2017, a federal judicial panel gathered all the prescription opioid cases filed in federal court across the country and assigned them to Judge Polster in what is known as a multidistrict litigation.

Foundation Director **Michael Goldberg**, venture capitalist and assistant professor of entrepreneurship in the Department of Design and Innovation at the Weatherhead School of Management, Case Western Reserve University, published his first book entitled, *Beyond Silicon Valley: How One Online Course Helped Support Global Entrepreneurs*.

Foundation Director **Julie Adler Raskind** was elected Board Chair of ideastream®.

Foundation Board Chair **Susan Ratner** and Director **Beth W. Brandon** were appointed to the Health and Long-term Care Committee of the Jewish Federations of North America.

The Foundation's work in the field of health equity/reducing racial disparities was cited in the health policy journal, *Health Affairs*



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DANIEL COHN
NAMED VICE PRESIDENT, STRATEGY

DANIEL COHN, PREVIOUSLY PROGRAM OFFICER FOR URBAN HEALTH,
APPOINTED TO NEW POSITION OF VICE PRESIDENT, STRATEGY



In this new role, Dan will lead all efforts involving implementation of the Foundation’s prevention strategy, with particular emphasis on improving health status in the urban community and influencing health policy that has the potential to improve the health of the people of Northeast Ohio.

In a press release, Foundation President Mitchell Balk stated, “Since joining the Foundation two and a half years ago from Cornell University’s Center for Engaged Learning and Research, Dan has performed in an outstanding manner and has become a thought leader locally, regionally and nationally in the field of health philanthropy. He has led the Foundation’s strategic work in the areas of food as medicine, State of Ohio health education standards, and lead poisoning reduction, among many other initiatives.”

Dan, together with Program Officer Karil Bialostosky, has also created a new evaluation framework to assess the Foundation’s body of work, including grantmaking, convening, and impact of Mt. Sinai’s health policy agenda. Congratulations, Dan!

For further information, contact the Foundation office at 216-421-5500 or visit the Foundation’s website at www.MtSinaiFoundation.org.

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