

# 2007 Grants List

## {Public Health}



Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

### Academy for Educational Development Inc.

WASHINGTON, DC

**\$44,984** — Conference on disseminating novel approaches to understanding the consumer perspective on tobacco cessation (6 months). ID 61072

### Alaska Inter-Tribal Council

FAIRBANKS, AK

**\$391,428** — Integrating health impact assessments into the federal environmental impact process with a focus on Alaska Native communities (2 years). ID 63350

### Albert B. Sabin Vaccine Institute

WASHINGTON, DC

**\$50,000** — Colloquium on protecting public trust in immunization (4 months). ID 63199

### American Legacy Foundation

WASHINGTON, DC

**\$720,000** — Support for a public/private partnership to help American adults stop smoking (3 years). ID 60024

### American Nonsmokers' Rights Foundation

BERKELEY, CA

**\$1,000,000** — Providing rapid response funding to enable communities and groups to support, protect or implement smoke-free policies (13 months). ID 61524

### Association of State and Territorial Health Officials

ARLINGTON, VA

**\$696,456** — Building the foundation for state public health agency accreditation by defining core services for quality improvement (2 years). ID 58818

### Building Advocacy for Policy Change to Improve the Nation's Health

To develop and advance policy recommendations for how a modernized public health system should be structured, funded, staffed and held accountable.

#### ■ Trust for America's Health

WASHINGTON, DC

**\$7,669,235** — Building sustainable advocacy capacity for improving the nation's health (3 years). ID 61977

### Building the Data Infrastructure, Analytic Capacity and Transfer-to-Practice Framework for Public Health Systems Research

To help develop public health research priorities, create a data resource and technical assistance center, support data analyses to assist national public health organizations and assess the performance and impact of public health systems.

#### Program Sites

#### ■ AcademyHealth

WASHINGTON, DC

**\$100,000** — Support for the annual public health services research interest group meeting (1 year). ID 63455

#### Other Program Activities

#### ■ Communications Project

MULTIPLE CONTRACTORS

**\$85,600** — Developing public health systems research (18 months). ID 61484

#### ■ University of Kentucky Research Foundation

LEXINGTON, KY

**\$2,820,222** — Creating a resource center for public health systems and services research (4 years). ID 61895

#### ■ National Association of County and City Health Officials

WASHINGTON, DC

**\$1,993,183** — Developing NACCHO's ability to support public health research in order to strengthen local public health departments and build an evidence base (4 years). ID 61911

#### ■ National Association of Local Boards of Health

BOWLING GREEN, OH

**\$1,001,264** — Data collection and research on boards of health (4 years). ID 61840

#### ■ Yale University School of Medicine

NEW HAVEN, CT

**\$399,965** — Developing public health systems research through a series of agenda-setting meetings (18 months). ID 61979

#### University of California, Los Angeles, School of Public Health

LOS ANGELES, CA

**\$475,491** — Building capacity through a health impact assessment clearinghouse learning and information center (3 years). ID 58337

#### University of California, San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO, CA

**\$50,000** — Book on the U.S. Department of Justice's RICO case against the tobacco industry (4 months). ID 63283

#### Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids

WASHINGTON, DC

**\$743,464** — Educating key audiences about FDA regulation of tobacco products (1 year). ID 60382

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### Columbia University School of Nursing

NEW YORK, NY

**\$394,304** — Expanding the ability of practitioners and scholars to assess law as a tool to improve public health (2 years). ID 63386

### Common Ground: Transforming Public Health Information Systems

To support collaborative processes among state and local public health departments to advance the use of information systems to support preparedness and chronic disease.

#### ■ National Opinion Research Center

CHICAGO, IL

**\$989,058** — Evaluation of Common Ground (4 years). ID 61352

#### ■ Task Force for Child Survival and Development Inc.

DECATUR, GA

**\$1,382,398** — Technical assistance and direction for Common Ground (1 year). ID 60206

### Communications Support for the Public Health Program Area

To manage strategic communications for the Foundation's Public Health program area to produce high-quality, consistent, timely products and messages that increase impact.

#### ■ Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids

WASHINGTON, DC

**\$2,200,000** — Public education and public health training activities in support of RWJF's Public Health program area (1 year). ID 62547

#### ■ Communications Projects

**MULTIPLE CONTRACTORS**

**\$238,260** — Evaluation of health department Web-based data query systems (15 months). ID 60228

**\$500,000** — Developing interventional law/policy options for RWJF's Public Health program area (1 year). ID 61519

**\$2,600,000** — Strategic communications for RWJF's Public Health program area (1 year). ID 61847

**\$100,000** — Consulting and meeting costs for RWJF's Public Health program area (18 months). ID 62623

### Community Health Councils Inc.

LOS ANGELES, CA

**\$400,000** — Developing a community scorecard to chronicle public health disparities in South Los Angeles (2 years). ID 63342

### Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists

ATLANTA, GA

**\$28,000** — Creating the Robert Wood Johnson National Award for outstanding epidemiology practice in addressing racial and ethnic disparities (6 months). ID 63117

### Danya International, Inc.

SILVER SPRING, MD

**\$150,000** — 2007 National Conference on Tobacco or Health (1 year). ID 60261

### Dental Health Foundation

OAKLAND, CA

**\$199,832** — Developing policies to address oral health issues in California schools (2 years). ID 63341

### Establishing a National Public Health Accrediting Organization

To establish a new, independent, nonprofit entity to govern the national accreditation system, including a public health accreditation board.

#### ■ National Association of County and City Health Officials

WASHINGTON, DC

**\$985,035** — (1 year). ID 61340

### University of Florida Center for Health Policy Research

GAINESVILLE, FL

**\$199,866** — Meta-analysis of the literature on the effect of alcohol taxes/prices on drinking, morbidity and mortality (2 years). ID 63372

### George Washington University School of Public Health and Health Services

WASHINGTON, DC

**\$70,710** — Planning for a public health information infrastructure for food safety (9 months). ID 62276

**\$392,989** — Enhancing the roles of state and local government in an integrated prevention-oriented food safety system (18 months). ID 63388

### Grantmakers in Health

WASHINGTON, DC

**\$120,286** — Convening an Issue Dialogue, writing an issue brief on improving the public health system, and launching a public health working group of funders (3 years). ID 62971

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### Harvard University School of Public Health

BOSTON, MA

**\$49,997** — Strengthening the Cross-national Initiative on Place, Migration and Health (CIPMH) (1 year). ID 63088

**\$283,550** — Studying state policy approaches to foster uptake of the human papillomavirus vaccine (2 years). ID 63384

### Helping Young Smokers Quit: Identifying Best Practices for Tobacco Cessation

To evaluate and disseminate effective, developmentally appropriate cessation treatment programs for adolescents who smoke and try unsuccessfully to quit.

#### ■ University of Illinois at Chicago School of Public Health

CHICAGO, IL

**\$1,240,783** — (2 years). ID 61337

### InformationLinks:

#### Connecting Public Health with Health Information Exchanges

To provide funds to state and local health departments to support and encourage their participation in regional health information networks.

#### ■ Task Force for Child Survival and Development Inc.

DECATUR, GA

**\$248,564** — Coordinating activities for InformationLinks (2 years). ID 63250

### Kansas Health Institute

TOPEKA, KS

**\$106,924** — Using technology to advance a regional approach to performance management for public health services (18 months). ID 58936

### Lead States in Public Health Quality Improvement

To create a peer network of innovator states with experience in designing and implementing a process for systematic assessment of local public health agency capacity and performance.

#### ■ University of Southern Maine, Edmund S. Muskie School of Public Service

PORTLAND, ME

**\$232,938** — Evaluation of Lead States in Public Health Quality Improvement (2 years). ID 61654

### University of Michigan School of Public Health

ANN ARBOR, MI

**\$371,376** — Reviewing state public health communicable disease laws regarding isolation and quarantine (2 years). ID 63374

### Mississippi State Department of Health

JACKSON, MS

**\$1,307** — Developing a public health financial database system to provide information for research, practice and education (3 years). ID 58885

### Montana-Wyoming Tribal Leaders Council

BILLINGS, MT

**\$200,000** — Developing a model program for integrating tribal public health into the multijurisdictional public health system for infectious diseases (2 years). ID 63343

### National Association of County and City Health Officials

WASHINGTON, DC

**\$193,600** — Addressing the infrastructure needs of local health departments (4 months). ID 59204

### National Foundation for the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention Inc.

ATLANTA, GA

**\$755,358** — Developing a program to improve cooperation among federal, state and local leaders when responding to natural and man-made disasters (6 months). ID 61405

**\$399,826** — Developing a program to improve cooperation among federal, state and local leaders when responding to natural and man-made disasters (6 months). ID 63251

### New Mexico Community Foundation

SANTA FE, NM

**\$50,000** — Profiling model strategies and leadership for health and health care advocacy (1 year). ID 60136

### New York University College of Nursing

NEW YORK, NY

**\$64,127** — Study on the roles of city and state departments of public health during Hurricane Katrina (5 months). ID 60257

### Pesticide Action Network North America

SAN FRANCISCO, CA

**\$200,000** — Studying the implementation of a new California public health law on biomonitoring of exposure to environmental toxicants (2 years). ID 63378

### Population Media Center, Inc.

SHELBURNE, VT

**\$50,000** — Conference on the importance to Americans of public health as the first line of defense against illness and to promote a healthier lifestyle (6 months). ID 61074

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### Prevention Institute

OAKLAND, CA

**\$400,000** — Developing a health equity toolbox for health practitioners to advance public health advocacy to eliminate health disparities (2 years). ID 63370

### Public Health Advocacy Institute Inc.

BOSTON, MA

**\$199,723** — Research to improve the understanding of legal threats that challenge public health law interventions (17 months). ID 63361

### Public Health Informatics Fellows Training Program

To use fellowship training in public health informatics as a strategy to catalyze the development of the field and create a sustainable pipeline of future leaders in public health informatics.

- **Task Force for Child Survival and Development Inc.**

DECATUR, GA

**\$231,612** — Development of a peer network for RWJF's Public Health Informatics Fellows Training Program (2 years). ID 61406

### Public Health Institute

OAKLAND, CA

**\$400,000** — Institutionalizing the role of local public health departments in transportation, land use planning and redevelopment (2 years). ID 63385

### Public Health Law Association

ATLANTA, GA

**\$258,122** — Building a consensus agenda on the use of law to protect and improve public health (1 year). ID 59022

### Public Health Systems Research

To help establish the field of public health systems research as a needed resource that will improve performance of governmental health agencies.

- **Emory University, Rollins School of Public Health**

ATLANTA, GA

**\$225,749** — Informing the design of funding allocation formulas in public health (2 years). ID 63615

- **George Washington University**

WASHINGTON, DC

**\$199,770** — Developing and applying a descriptive framework for analyzing food safety resources (18 months). ID 63606

- **University of Massachusetts School of Public Health**

AMHERST, MA

**\$199,014** — Identifying how states can enhance their public health systems' ability to respond to problems and maximize their use of limited resources (20 months). ID 63603

- **University of Michigan Health System**

ANN ARBOR, MI

**\$208,902** — Understanding the resource allocation decisions of public health officials in the United States (2 years). ID 63604

- **National Opinion Research Center**

CHICAGO, IL

**\$199,824** — Study of local public health capacities to address the needs of culturally and linguistically diverse populations (15 months). ID 63602

- **University of Nebraska Medical Center**

OMAHA, NE

**\$199,713** — Systematic study of Nebraska's regional public health agency model (2 years). ID 63612

### Rand Corporation

SANTA MONICA, CA

**\$99,928** — Dissemination of the results and tools from a learning collaborative for quality improvement in public health and pandemic influenza preparedness (14 months). ID 62347

### Research Foundation of State University of New York

ALBANY, NY

**\$176,780** — Why youth don't quit: finding answers to design effective smoking cessation programs (1 year). ID 62174

### Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Practice-Based Research Network in Public Health

To develop a practice-based research network for public health to help stakeholders understand how public health systems research can be used to improve public health performance and impact.

- **University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences**

LITTLE ROCK, AR

**\$314,744** — Coordinating, developing and monitoring the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Practice-Based Research Network in Public Health (1 year). ID 62097

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### County of San Bernardino Department of Public Health

#### SAN BERNARDINO, CA

**\$299,093** — Voices for Change, a social action campaign to restore the health and safety of residents of the Westside of San Bernardino County, Calif. (2 years). ID 63353

### Smoke-Free Families: Innovations to Stop Smoking During and Beyond Pregnancy

To reduce rates of smoking in families by supporting research to develop and evaluate effective new interventions to help women quit smoking before, during and after pregnancy.

- **Philadelphia Health and Education Corporation d/b/a Drexel College of Medicine**

#### PHILADELPHIA, PA

**\$222,000** — Technical assistance and direction for Smoke-Free Families (1 year). ID 56339

### Smoke-Free New Jersey

To leverage resources to ensure successful implementation of the New Jersey Smoke-Free Air Act.

- **GMMB Inc.**

#### WASHINGTON, DC

**\$114,000** — Template implementation kit to support rollout of smoke-free air laws (8 months). ID 60401

### University of Southern Mississippi HATTIESBURG, MS

**\$670,044** — Developing a public health financial database system to provide information for research, practice and education (31 months). ID 62024

### State Health Leadership Initiative

To accelerate the development of leadership capacity of state health officers as policy-makers, administrators and advocates for the health of the public.

- **Association of State and Territorial Health Officials**

#### ARLINGTON, VA

**\$3,098,765** — (3 years). ID 57240

### Substance Abuse Policy Research Program

To encourage experts in public health, law, political science, medicine, sociology, criminal justice, economics, psychology, and other behavioral and policy sciences to address issues of substance abuse.

#### Program Sites

- **University of California, Los Angeles, School of Medicine**

#### LOS ANGELES, CA

**\$99,999** — Cigarette price sensitivity of smokers with comorbid alcohol, drug or mental disorders (1 year). ID 61104

- **University of California, San Francisco**

#### SAN FRANCISCO, CA

**\$83,692** — Identifying the characteristics of community-based trials that may influence clinic staff to adopt research-tested substance abuse interventions (18 months). ID 62706

- **Health Research Inc., Roswell Park Cancer Institute Division**

#### BUFFALO, NY

**\$98,523** — Analyzing the corrective statement ordered in the federal government's lawsuit against the cigarette industry (1 year). ID 63113

- **University of Illinois at Chicago**

#### CHICAGO, IL

**\$48,209** — Pilot study for a new method of measuring cigarette tax evasion in the United States (8 months). ID 63559

- **Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations**

#### OAKBROOK TERRACE, IL

**\$98,143** — Study on smoke-free campus policies in U.S. hospitals (1 year). ID 61567

- **Loyola University—Chicago**

#### CHICAGO, IL

**\$50,790** — Pilot study for a new method of measuring cigarette tax evasion in the United States (1 year). ID 61107

- **University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Medicine**

#### CHAPEL HILL, NC

**\$29,334** — Tobacco-free policy adoption for local school districts in order to promote policy passage across North Carolina (5 months). ID 61209

- **University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Public Health**

#### CHAPEL HILL, NC

**\$99,990** — Effectiveness of state and federal government agreements with major credit card and shipping companies to block Internet cigarette sales (1 year). ID 61103

- **University of Pennsylvania**

#### PHILADELPHIA, PA

**\$100,000** — Effects of advertisement elements for a potential reduced tobacco exposure product on smokers' beliefs about its use and harmfulness (2 years). ID 62622

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### Public Health Advocacy Institute Inc.

BOSTON, MA

**\$29,606** — Analysis of the U.S. Department of Justice's Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act (RICO) lawsuit against the tobacco industry (6 months). ID 61124

### Research Foundation of State University of New York

ALBANY, NY

**\$96,986** — Individual- and policy-level influences on the use of various cessation strategies and abstinence from cigarettes among adult smokers (1 year). ID 63263

### University of Texas at Austin

AUSTIN, TX

**\$17,720** — Effectiveness of cigarette taxation in deterring smoking from one pregnancy to the next (1 year). ID 63115

### Tobacco Law Center

ST. PAUL, MN

**\$99,807** — Legal and political obstacles to smoke-free regulations in metropolitan regions (18 months). ID 61373

### University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health

MADISON, WI

**\$99,316** — Evaluating an innovative communications campaign designed to increase consumer demand for tobacco dependence treatment by Medicaid recipients (15 months). ID 63261

### Supporting Advocacy to Reduce Tobacco Use and Direct Tobacco-Related State Revenue to Health Priorities

To support state and local advocacy efforts and educate policy-makers and other key audiences in up to 15 states about the need for tobacco control and other public health measures.

### Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids

WASHINGTON, DC

**\$1,500,000** — Providing assistance to state tobacco prevention and public health policy projects (1 year). ID 62020

### Tobacco-Free Kids Action Fund

WASHINGTON, DC

**\$300,000** — Legal support for public health plaintiff intervenors in the appeal of the Department of Justice tobacco suit (1 year). ID 60001

### Tobacco Law Center

ST. PAUL, MN

**\$1,056,448** — Legal technical assistance to the tobacco control community (2 years). ID 61100

### Tobacco Policy Change: A Collaborative for Healthier Communities and States

To provide resources and technical assistance for community, regional and national organizations and tribal groups advocating for effective tobacco prevention and cessation policy initiatives.

### Program Sites

### Black Hills Center for American Indian Health

RAPID CITY, SD

**\$49,969** — Advancing comprehensive tobacco-free and tribal wellness policies on the Navajo Nation (6 months). ID 63588

### DuBois Institute for Entrepreneurship, Inc.

DOTHAN, AL

**\$50,000** — Advancing statewide smoke-free policies and implementing an anti-obesity project in Alabama (6 months). ID 63591

### Families Under Urban and Social Attack Inc.

HOUSTON, TX

**\$50,000** — Advancing the statewide clean indoor air act and educating Houston residents about health issues resulting from obesity (6 months). ID 63595

### Georgia Public Interest Research Group Education Fund

ATLANTA, GA

**\$49,670** — Promoting smoke-free indoor air and clean outdoor air through the promotion of public transit (6 months). ID 63587

### Indiana Rural Health Association

BEDFORD, IN

**\$50,000** — Advancing smoke-free policy efforts in 20 Indiana communities and furthering state policies to fully fund the Healthy Indiana Plan (6 months). ID 63596

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- **University of Kentucky Research Foundation**  
LEXINGTON, KY  
**\$50,000** — Advancing comprehensive clean indoor air and radon policies in Northern Kentucky (6 months). ID 63589
  - **Le Penseur Youth and Family Services**  
CHICAGO, IL  
**\$50,000** — Supporting efforts to limit the number of tobacco retailers in the rebuilding efforts in the Lower 9th Ward of New Orleans (6 months). ID 63590
  - **University of Missouri–Columbia Medical School Foundation, Inc.**  
COLUMBIA, MO  
**\$50,000** — Using campus-community alliances to reduce both tobacco use and intimate partner violence (6 months). ID 63583
  - **North Carolina Pediatric Society Foundation**  
RALEIGH, NC  
**\$50,000** — Building support for policy changes to make all workplaces smoke-free by 2010 and to halt and reverse the growing obesity epidemic in North Carolina (6 months). ID 63594
  - **Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board**  
PORTLAND, OR  
**\$75,000** — Supporting tobacco control policy priorities among Northwestern tribes, including clean indoor air laws and higher taxes on cigarettes (1 year). ID 59324
  - **Ohio African American Communities for Optimum Health, Inc.**  
COLUMBUS, OH  
**\$49,148** — Advancing tobacco retail licensure and charity care policies in Columbus, Ohio (6 months). ID 63593
  - **South Carolina African American Tobacco Control Network**  
SUMMERVILLE, SC  
**\$50,000** — Advancing local smoke-free laws in South Carolina by emphasizing the importance of local control and exposing the threat of preemption (6 months). ID 63586
  - **Wellness Council of West Virginia INSTITUTE, WV**  
**\$50,000** — Addressing clean indoor air regulations and government change promoting local environments favoring physical activity in five West Virginia counties (6 months). ID 63585
  - **Other Program Activities**
  - **American Nonsmokers' Rights Foundation**  
BERKELEY, CA  
**\$48,624** — Consulting and technical assistance for RWJF's Tobacco Policy Change program (3 months). ID 63325
  - **Communications Project**  
MULTIPLE CONTRACTORS  
**\$158,010** — Technical assistance for RWJF's Tobacco Policy Change program (1 year). ID 52077
  - **Freeman Consulting Group, Inc.**  
ROSWELL, GA  
**\$210,975** — Consulting and technical assistance for RWJF's Tobacco Policy Change program (19 months). ID 52076
  - **Kathleen Jerome**  
FLORENCE, MA  
**\$202,405** — Consulting and technical assistance for RWJF's Tobacco Policy Change program (19 months). ID 52070
  - **Lori New Breast**  
HEART BUTTE, MT  
**\$68,372** — Engaging Native American tribal governments in tobacco reduction policy development (8 months). ID 61144
  - **Onjewel M. Smith, M.A.**  
MADISON, MS  
**\$29,788** — Consulting services for RWJF's Tobacco Policy Change program (3 months). ID 61145
  - **Jerry Spegman**  
PORTLAND, OR  
**\$193,870** — Consulting and technical assistance for RWJF's Tobacco Policy Change program (19 months). ID 52073
  - **Theisen Consulting LLC**  
ATLANTA, GA  
**\$100,650** — Consulting engagement for RWJF's Tobacco Policy Change program (1 year). ID 63678
- University of Washington School of Nursing**  
SEATTLE, WA  
**\$460,702** — Inventory of effective public health practices and structures to eliminate and reduce health disparities (2 years). ID 61143

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**University of Wisconsin  
School of Medicine and Public Health  
MADISON, WI**

**\$199,995** — Identifying effective catalysts for action toward community health improvement in underserved communities in Wisconsin (2 years). ID 63369

**\$100,000** — Updating, testing and disseminating the 2008 tobacco treatment guideline (2 years). ID 63443

**Yellowstone City-County  
Health Department**

**BILLINGS, MT**

**\$199,957** — Using a health impact assessment as an advocacy tool to make Billings, Mont., a community that is healthy by design (2 years). ID 63364