

The Cardinal Health Foundation:

All in for good to improve patient outcomes and reduce healthcare costs

The Cardinal Health Foundation has a unique mission, strategy and target audience.

In addition to our work preventing prescription drug abuse and improving community health, the Foundation provides financial support to healthcare organizations that want to hit the daily double of cost effectiveness: improving quality and controlling costs—at the same time.

Think it can't be done? We know it can. After investing more than \$16 million in healthcare improvement grants since 2008, we have documented results that prove adoption of best practices can transform the quality and cost of medicine. The Foundation has supported not only the spread of evidence-based medicine but also lean methodologies, leadership engagement and culture change resulting in days, dollars and, most importantly, lives saved.

Our view is simple: efficient systems and clinical effectiveness go hand-in-hand. The result is medical excellence, the best patient outcomes, at a more affordable price.

"We strategically target our philanthropic support to results-oriented programs and partnerships that help improve the way healthcare is delivered and that promote healthy lifestyles."

George Barrett, CEO, Cardinal Health

The Foundation is unusual in its breadth and depth. We provide grants big and small, in farm towns and big cities, to small non-profits and big university hospital systems. We're known for our multi-year commitment to the Ohio children's hospitals that are working to eliminate all harm – a program the federal government is now helping take nationwide. And we understand the importance of good management, so we provide substantial support to Lean Six Sigma and other effective management techniques.

Does someone in your hospital, pharmacy or healthcare system have an idea that can "save days, dollars and lives?" We hope so. Cardinal Health, the company, specializes in delivering cost-effective products and solutions. The Cardinal Health Foundation, the company's charitable arm, assists non-profit institutions and healthcare alliances in their efforts to apply proven practices that make healthcare as efficient, effective and excellent as we know it can be.

The Foundation supports healthcare in three ways:

- E³ Patient Safety Grants. The Foundation invests \$1 million annually to support implementation of evidence-based best practices through grants, up to \$50,000.
- Healthcare networks. Accelerating the rate of change in healthcare — speeding the time it takes for new medical knowledge to become standard clinical practice — is key to cost-effective medicine. The Foundation supports Solutions for Patient Safety, the children's hospitals work to eliminate all harm; the Healthcare Value Network, a leader in lean management methodologies; and the Alliance for Integrated Medication Management, which improves medication safety in clinics and out-patient settings.
- Recognizing excellence. The Foundation sponsors the Award for Excellence in Medication-Use Safety in partnership with the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists.

The future

These are challenging and disruptive times for the healthcare industry. We embrace this change. The Cardinal Health Foundation will continue to support efforts to improve the quality of care and affordability of healthcare.

Join us in this revolutionary change. Our financial resources plus the amazing know-how of today's healthcare professionals can transform the nation's healthcare system into a model of quality and efficiency.

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