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**Con Alma Health Foundation** **Releases 2012 NNMHGG Grant Guidelines**

SANTA FE, NM – Con Alma Health Foundation is releasing the guidelines for its 2012 Northern New Mexico Health Grants Group (NNMHGG) Grant Cycle on Monday, April 2nd.

The NNMHGG Grant Cycle awards grants of up to $20,000 each to nonprofit organizations serving residents of Los Alamos, Rio Arriba and Northern Santa Fe Counties. Applications are due Friday, June 22nd.

Grant investments will address key findings and recommendations made in the NNMHGG’s 2008 report, “Data for Grant-Making: A Comparative Study in Community Health in Los Alamos, Rio Arriba and Northern Santa Fe Counties.”

“The total amount invested in the region is over $1.5 million dollars since grant making began in 2004,” said Dr. Erin Bouquin, Chair, NNMHGG Advisory Committee.

A free pre-proposal workshop will be held on Friday, May 4th from 1:30-3:30pm at the Los Alamos National Bank, 1200 Trinity Drive, Los Alamos. Space is limited. Please RSVP to [clabore@conalma.org](mailto:clabore@conalma.org).

For more information on the grant cycle, go to Con Alma Health Foundation’s web site at [www.conalma.org](http://www.conalma.org) and click on Apply for a Grant, email [grants@conalma.org](mailto:grants@conalma.org) or call 438-0776 x5. A hard copy of the application may also be requested for those with limited computer access.

**Northern New Mexico Health Grant Group (NNMHGG)**

In May 2002 the Los Alamos Medical Center (LAMC), a non-profit corporation, was sold to a for-profit corporation. Some proceeds from the sale of LAMC were preserved to serve the unmet healthcare needs of the people of Los Alamos, Rio Arriba and northern Santa Fe counties. The Hospital Auxiliary for LAMC and Con Alma Health Foundation (CAHF), working as the Northern New Mexico Health Grant Group (NNMHGG) distribute the investment income from those proceeds for grants that target the populations traditionally served by LAMC. The NNMHGG grant making is overseen by a Local Advisory Committee. NNMHGG operates under CAHF’s 501(c)3 tax-exempt status.

**Con Alma Health Foundation**

The mission of Con Alma Health Foundation (CAHF) is to be aware of and respond to the health rights and needs of the culturally and demographically diverse people and communities of New Mexico. Con Alma seeks to improve the health status and access to healthcare services for all and advocates for a health policy that addresses the health needs of all New Mexicans. For its 10th Anniversary in 2011, Con Alma Health Foundation celebrated the work of its more than 400 grantees and the investment of

more than $10 million dollars to improve health in New Mexico. Visit [www.conalma.org](http://www.conalma.org).

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