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**Spring 2019 Grant Cycle Opens March 1**

San Francisco (Feb. 28, 2019)—The NORCAL Group Foundation, dedicated to improving healthcare in local communities, is pleased to announce that its next grant cycle opens March 1, 2019. Applications will be accepted from 501(c)(3) designated non-profits in 41 states.

To be eligible, applicants must be NORCAL policyholders or referred by a current NORCAL Group insured, agent/broker, or employee, or a medical society with which NORCAL Group maintains an active endorsement, sponsorship, or insurance program. The application deadline is April 15. Additional details and eligibility requirements can be found at **[norcalgroupfoundation.org.](https://www.norcalgroupfoundation.org/%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank)**

During its most recent grant cycle, the Foundation announced its largest group of grant recipients to date. Nine organizations were awarded funding for initiatives and programs focused on patient care, patient safety and physician wellness:

* Anchorage Project Access (Anchorage, AK)
* Beacon Clinic for Health and Hope (Harrisburg, PA)
* Champions for Health (San Diego, CA)
* Foundation of the Pennsylvania Medical Society (Harrisburg, PA)
* Fresno Madera Medical Society – Joy of Medicine (Fresno, CA)
* Pediatric and Family Medical Center (Los Angeles, CA)
* Ravenswood Family Health Center (East Palo Alto, CA)
* Sacramento El Dorado Medical Society: Community Service, Education and Research Fund
* Sierra Community Medical Foundation (Rocklin, CA)

 “This year we were pleased to support organizations developing and implementing programs to address physician burnout, as this issue continues to be a growing concern within the medical community,” said Julie Burns, president of the NORCAL Group Foundation. “We’re grateful to the organizations providing support to their communities through NORCAL’s grants, and look forward to sharing their success stories in the coming months.”

The NORCAL Group Foundation has supported 15 programs in five states since its inception, and is working continually to expand its reach.

**About NORCAL Group Foundation**

Established in 2017, the NORCAL Group Foundation supports improving healthcare in local communities through grant giving focused on patient care, patient safety and physician wellness. The Foundation is a

non-profit organization established by NORCAL Mutual Insurance Company. For more information on eligibility and giving cycles, please visit norcalgroupfoundation.org.

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