



# GRANT LINE

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## ICD-10 Readiness Program

The preparation and transition to ICD-10 is complex and requires timely and focused education and training. To help hospitals meet these challenges, the TORCH Foundation has partnered with QuadraMed to offer a coding simulator education and training program to help coders gain experience in ICD-10 coding in advance of the mandated implementation date.

The ICD-10 Readiness Program is supported, in part, through grant funding from the Texas Department of Rural Affairs (TDRA). The purpose of this program is to provide hands-on training, educational services and a coding simulator solution to help hospitals prepare for this critical transition. All HIPAA-covered entities must implement the new code set with dates of service, or date of discharge for inpatients, that occur on or after October 1, 2013.

So far, 86 TORCH hospitals have signed up to participate. Grant funding is available to support up to 15 more facilities, so sign up today to take advantage of all this program has to offer, at no cost to your facility.

Also, **immediately following the TORCH Annual Conference on Friday, April 8<sup>th</sup> at noon, we are hosting an ICD-10 users' group workshop and everyone is welcome to attend.**

Program benefits include:

- **Comply with the federal mandate** for ICD-10 coding transition and meet the HIPAA electronic transaction/ code set requirements.
- **Access the ICD-10 Coding Simulator for hands-on training** and technical assistance that afford coders the opportunity to gain experience in ICD-10 coding.
- **Access customized online education** and training for your HIM staff, Medical staff and Steering committee.
- **Learn key changes in coding guidelines** and classifications, implementation timeline and date-of-service issues.
- **Reduce coding errors** through improved clinical documentation with greater specificity while meeting reporting requirements.
- **Access grant funding** to support your ICD-10 readiness and preparation

## Texas Patient Safety Organization (TXPSO) Program

The Patient Safety Act of 2005 authorizes the creation of Patient Safety Organizations (PSOs) to improve quality and safety by reducing the incidence of events that adversely affect patients. The law establishes strong Federal confidentiality and privilege protections for information to create a secure environment where healthcare organizations and clinicians can voluntarily report and analyze patient safety data, such as near misses and incidences, to help identify root causes of adverse events, reduce risks and develop quality improvement best practices.

To assist rural and community hospitals strengthen their culture of patient safety and risk management, the TORCH Foundation has collaborated with the Texas Patient Safety Organization (TXPSO) to help providers collect, submit and analyze patient safety work products and information about incidences in which patients were adversely affected in order to mitigate future adverse events. Program benefits include:

- **Strong Federal confidentiality and privilege protections** to report, aggregate and analyze patient safety events, medical errors and quality information without fear of legal discovery or additional liability
- **Facility-specific and aggregated analysis** for benchmarking and comparison
- **Online access to comparative data and reports** to help improve processes and develop best practices
- **Meaningful aggregation and analysis of data using Common Formats** to collect, track and submit standardized information regarding a range of patient safety events, including incidents, near misses and unsafe conditions for comparative and longitudinal analysis
- **Grant funding** available to facilities under 50 licensed beds for PSO services at no cost (except for a one-time set up fee).

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### SAVE THE DATE!

West Texas  
Rural Philanthropy Days  
June 8-10, 2011  
Sul Ross University, Alpine  
[www.wtxrpd.org](http://www.wtxrpd.org)

Event organizer Laura Duty, Program Officer for the Carl B. and Florence E. King Foundation, invites TORCH members to attend this important convocation of funders, nonprofits, government agencies, and civic leaders.

Registration is currently open, and the cost for this three-day event is only \$50. Reserve your spot now, as the organizers anticipate a wait list.

Don't miss this rare opportunity to network with grantmakers, policymakers, and others working on issues critical to West Texas. See [www.wtxrpd.org](http://www.wtxrpd.org) for event schedules and registration.

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## Current Funding Opportunities

### USDA Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant

<http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppId=74613>

Funding: \$50-500k with 15% match (cash or in-kind)

Deadline: 4/25

Purpose: To provide financial assistance to encourage and improve telemedicine services and distance learning services in rural areas; grants may be used to fund telecom-enabled information, audio and video equipment and related advanced technologies which extend educational and medical applications into rural locations

Contact: Jonathan Adelstein (202-720-0423 / [dltinfo@wdc.usda.gov](mailto:dltinfo@wdc.usda.gov))

### Robert Wood Johnson Foundation New Connections Program for Junior Investigators and Midcareer Professionals

<http://www.rwjf.org/applications/solicited/cfplst.jsp>

Funding: Up to \$75,000

Deadline: 5/5 (3pm EDT)

Purpose: To encourage Junior Investigators (scholars from historically disadvantaged and underrepresented communities) to submit proposals that address programming priorities for one of RWJF's five program areas, and to encourage Midcareer Consultants (scholars from historically disadvantaged and underrepresented communities who have between 10 to 15 years of research and/or evaluation experience) to conduct projects with the Foundation's teams and portfolios

Contact: Howard Walters (215-732-2200 ext. 276 / [info@rwjf-newconnections.org](mailto:info@rwjf-newconnections.org))

### HHS/NIH - Development and Translation of Medical Technologies to Reduce Health Disparities

<http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppId=78294>

Funding: Up to \$200,000 per year for Phase I, \$400,000 per year for Phase II  
Deadline: 5/20 (LOI due 4/11) and 9/22 (LOI due 8/22)

Purpose: To encourage applications from small business concerns that propose to develop and translate medical technologies aimed at reducing disparities in healthcare access and health outcomes; responsive grant applications must involve a formal collaboration with a healthcare provider or other healthcare organization serving a

health disparity population, and medical technologies should be effective, affordable, culturally acceptable, and deliverable to those who need them

Contact: Derrick C. Tabor, Ph.D (301-594-8950 / [tabord@mail.nih.gov](mailto:tabord@mail.nih.gov))

### HHS - Health Careers Opportunity Program

<http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppId=82134>

Funding: \$750,000 average for three-year projects

Deadline: 5/25

Purpose: To build diversity in health fields by providing students from disadvantaged backgrounds an opportunity to develop the skills needed to successfully compete, enter and graduate from health professions schools; projects may involve collaboration between institutions of higher educations, nonprofits, school districts, and/or other community-based entities

Contact: Kyle Peplinski (301-443-7758 / [kpeplinski@hrsa.gov](mailto:kpeplinski@hrsa.gov))

### Texas Health Service Corps

<http://www.tdra.state.tx.us/TxDRA/programs/sorh/Grants/TexasHealthServiceCorpsProgram.aspx>

Funding: Up to \$15,000 per resident/year

Deadline: 5/31

Purpose: Stipend program for resident physicians pursuing primary care specialties who are willing to practice in medically underserved communities in Texas for a minimum of one year; health care entities located in counties that are designated a Medically Underserved Area or Health Professional Shortage Area are eligible to register and jointly apply to the THSC Program

Contact: Amanda Maedgen (512-936-6722 / [amanda.maedgen@tdra.texas.gov](mailto:amanda.maedgen@tdra.texas.gov))

### Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and Pew Charitable Trusts – Health Impact Project

[http://www.rwjf.org/applications/solicited/cfp.jsp?ID=21346&cid=XEM\\_1400198](http://www.rwjf.org/applications/solicited/cfp.jsp?ID=21346&cid=XEM_1400198)

Funding: \$25,000 to \$125,000 for projects up to 18 months

Deadline: 6/1 for brief (screening stage) proposals (5pm EDT)

Purpose: To demonstrate the effectiveness of Health Impact Assessments (HIAs) and promote their incorporation into decision-making; support available for organizations that wish to undertake an HIA of a proposed policy, project or program currently or soon

to be under active consideration by a decision-making body at the local, state, tribal, or federal level

Contact: Health Impact Project (202-540-6012 / [healthimpactproject@pewtrusts.org](mailto:healthimpactproject@pewtrusts.org))

### National Institutes of Health Medical Research Grant RFA List

[http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/search\\_results.htm?year=active&scope=rfa](http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/search_results.htm?year=active&scope=rfa)

Competitions closing on 5/7:

Biomarkers of Infection-Associated Cancers - (R01) and (R21)

Enhancing Tumoricidal Activity of Natural Killer (NK) Cells by Dietary Components for Cancer Prevention - (R01) and (R21)

Nutrition and Diet in the Causation, Prevention, and Management of Heart Failure - (R01) and (R21)

The Effect of Racial and Ethnic Discrimination/Bias on Health Care Delivery - (R01) , (R21) and (R03)

## Ongoing Opportunities

### Susan G. Komen Affiliate Community Health Grants

<http://ww5.komen.org/ResearchGrants/CommunitybasedGrants.html>

Contact: Call 877-465-6636 or visit the website to find your local Komen affiliate

### TDRA: Outstanding Rural Scholar Recognition Program

<http://www.tdra.state.tx.us/TxDRA/programs/sorh/Grants/ORSProgram.aspx>

(NOTE: this program helps communities "grow their own" health care professionals)  
Contact: Ada Grant, SORH Program Development Coordinator @ 512-936-6715

### TDRA: CAH Board/Trustee Continuing Education Reimbursement Program

<http://www.tdra.state.tx.us/TxDRA/programs/sorh/Grants/cahboardeducation.aspx>

Contact: Cindy Miller, Regional Coordinator @ 512-936-6702

### TDHS - Physician Education Loan Repayment Program

<http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/chpr>  
Contact: Texas Primary Care Office @ 512-458-7518 or [TexasPCO@dshs.state.tx.us](mailto:TexasPCO@dshs.state.tx.us)

## Upcoming Grant Workshops and Training Opportunities

### Grant Writing Class (2-day workshop)

<http://www.grantwritingusa.com/grants-training/grant-writing-workshops/arlington-texas-april-2011.html>

April 18-19, 2011 / 9am-4pm

Grant Writing USA and the North Texas Council of Governments-Criminal Justice Program, Fort Worth

\$425

Register at the link above or contact Anita K. Johnson, Grant Writing USA Registrar, at (800) 814-8191 or

[anita@grantwritingusa.com](mailto:anita@grantwritingusa.com)

### Effective Grant Writing

<http://www.eventbrite.com/event/1403677437>

April 26, 2011 / 9am-4pm

Center for Community Based and Nonprofit Organizations at Austin Community College

\$99

Register at the link above or contact Neelam Noorani at (512) 223-7111 or

[nnoorani@austincc.edu](mailto:nnoorani@austincc.edu)

### The Basics of Grants and Sustainability Workshop

<http://www.tano.org/en/cev/1432>

May 6, 2011 / 9am-12pm

Texas Association of Nonprofit Organizations, Texas Center for Grants Development, and United Way Tarrant County, Fort Worth

\$99

Register at the link above or contact Mary Beth Harrington at (972) 839-9960 or

[mbharrington@tano.org](mailto:mbharrington@tano.org)

### Competing for Federal Grants (5-day workshop)

<https://www.tgci.com/cfg.shtml>

May 16-20, 2011 / Contact for schedule Grantsmanship Center and the Alamo Area Council of Governments, San Antonio

\$1195 (\$100 discount for early registration)

Register at the link above or contact the Grantsmanship Center Registrar at (800) 421-9512 or

[tgci@tgci.com](mailto:tgci@tgci.com)

### Lunch and Learn: Fundraising Through Social Media

<http://greenlights.force.com/eventDetails?id=a0uC0000000JqFSIA0>

May 25, 2011 / 11:30am-1pm

Greenlights for Nonprofit Success, Austin FREE for members / \$15.00 non-members

Register at the link above or contact

[macalikh@greenlights.org](mailto:macalikh@greenlights.org)

### Diversifying Your Philanthropic Strategy, Part 1: Corporate Funding and Sponsorships (webinar)

<http://www.tano.org/en/cev/1437>

May 25, 2011 / 2-3:30pm CDT

Texas Association of Nonprofit Organizations

\$25 members / \$35 non-members

Register at the link above or contact Mary Beth Harrington at (972) 839-9960 or

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### Diversifying Your Philanthropic Strategy, Part 2: Foundations (webinar)

<http://www.tano.org/en/cev/1438>

June 1, 2011 / 2-3:30pm CDT

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### Diversifying Your Philanthropic Strategy, Part 3: In-Kind and Partnerships (webinar)

<http://www.tano.org/en/cev/1439>

June 8, 2011 / 2-3:30pm CDT

Texas Association of Nonprofit Organizations

\$25 members / \$35 non-members

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### AFP Philanthropy Conference

<http://www.dfwphilanthropyconference.com>

June 10, 2011 / 8am-5pm

Association of Fundraising Professionals.

Fort Worth and Dallas chapters

\$100-\$115 members / \$135-\$150 non-members

Register at the link above or contact AFP

Dallas at 972-233-9107 ext. 204 or

[contact@dfwphilanthropyconference.com](http://www.dfwphilanthropyconference.com)

### Grant Writing Certificate Program

<http://www.eventbrite.com/event/970993267>

June 13-17, 2011 / 9am-4pm

Center for Community Based and Nonprofit Organizations at Austin Community College

\$650

Register at the link above or contact Neelam Noorani at (512) 223-7111 or

[nnoorani@austincc.edu](mailto:nnoorani@austincc.edu)

### Diversifying Your Philanthropic Strategy, Part 4: Nonprofit Entrepreneurship (webinar)

<http://www.tano.org/en/cev/1440>

June 22, 2011 / 2-3:30pm CDT

Texas Association of Nonprofit Organizations

\$25 members / \$35 non-members

Register at the link above or contact Mary Beth Harrington at (972) 839-9960 or

[mbharrington@tano.org](mailto:mbharrington@tano.org)

### Proposal Writing: The Comprehensive Course (online)

[http://foundationcenter.org/marketplace/catalog/product\\_online\\_training.jhtml?id=prod1150001](http://foundationcenter.org/marketplace/catalog/product_online_training.jhtml?id=prod1150001)

Ongoing – 12 months unlimited access

The Foundation Center

\$189.95

Register at the link above or contact [training@foundationcenter.org](mailto:training@foundationcenter.org)

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### *2011 Education Events...at a glance*

- **Texas Critical Access Hospital (CAH) Conference & Tradeshow**  
*June 1-2, 2011, Omni Southpark, Austin, TX*
- **Northwest Texas Hospital Association (NTHA) Annual Convention**  
*July 00-00, 2011, MCM Elegante Suites, Abilene, TX*
- **Texas Association of Rural Health Clinics (TARHC) Annual Conference**  
*August 00-00, 2011, Blank Hotel in Austin, TX*
- **TORCH Leadership & Management Institute (TLMI) Training Seminar & Retreat**  
*September 7-8, 2011, Hyatt Regency Hill Country Resort, San Antonio, TX*
- **Rural Hospital Information Technology Conference (HITCON/'11) & Tradeshow**  
*November 2-3, 2011, Omni Colonnade, San Antonio, TX*
- **TORCHcast Webinar Series for Hospitals, Rural Health Clinics and Home Health**

*For scheduled sessions, check our online calendar at:*  
**<http://foundation.torchnet.org/torchcast.php>**