



ANNOUNCEMENT OF 2020 GRANT RECIPIENTS

Special Olympics is pleased to announce the 2020 Inclusive Health Innovation Grant recipients. These grants, awarded to four leading organizations, reflect our commitment to inclusive health and the improvement of access to mainstream health services in the U.S. for people with intellectual disabilities (ID).

With support from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, these grants are intended to support mainstream organizations taking on inclusive health practices and contribute to the overall effort of reaching a tipping point whereby the inclusion of people with ID in mainstream services and programs becomes the norm, not the exception.

International Health, Racquet & Sportsclub Association Foundation Expanding UFIT Partner Activation in the Health Industry (Universal Fitness Innovation & Transformation)

The IHRSA Foundation will activate US health and fitness professionals at clubs committed to increasing inclusion at their facilities for people with intellectual and physical disabilities. They will build the capacity for managers, staff, and fitness professionals to implement inclusive practices effectively and sustainability, to specifically include people with ID; and empower the social change commitment of UFIT to create a network of clubs committed to inclusion.

National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners (NAPNAP) 2020 and 2021 NAPNAP Specialty Symposium and National Conference on Pediatric Health Care Education

NAPNAP will develop material in collaboration with SOI to deliver to participants at their 2020 symposium and 2021 national conference. The presentations will focus specifically on inclusive health practices.

National Recreation and Park Association Inclusive Health Awareness in Parks and Recreation

NRPA will develop a supplement to the NRPA Parks for Inclusion Policy Guide for local P&R agencies focused on inclusive health, as well as develop and disseminate a video series on inclusive health with examples of how P&R agencies can advance inclusive health in their communities.

St. John Fisher College Developing an inclusive-health informed nurse practitioner residency curriculum

The goal of this project is to create an inclusive health informed nurse practitioner residency curriculum that can be delivered through an online hybrid format. St. John Fisher will collaborate with; local and national inclusive health practitioners, advocates for those with ID and individuals diagnosed with ID to assist the development and evaluation of the curriculum.

For questions about the Inclusive Health Innovation Grant Program, please contact inclusivehealth@specialolympics.org.