



CALL FOR CASE STUDIES

Abstracts Due: September 15, 2015

Overview

The Patient Access Network (PAN) Foundation has issued a *Call for Case Studies* that addresses:

- the impact health care cost sharing has on patients with chronic and rare illnesses; and
- innovative solutions implemented by not-for-profit organizations to mitigate this impact.

Case Studies will be designed to address one or more of the following questions:

- For the Medicare and/or commercially insured populations, define the nature and extent of health care cost-sharing obligations incurred by those your organization serves.
- To what extent have these cost-sharing obligations prevented or reduced access to needed health care services?
- Define the impact of reduced access to needed health care services on patient care.
- What solutions have been implemented or are likely to be implemented by your organization to address out-of-pocket costs?
- What are the goals of these solutions?
- If solutions have been implemented, describe the results and impact on both patient care and your organization.

This *Call for Case Studies* is being conducted in conjunction with the launch of the “PAN Challenge: Balancing Moral Hazard, Affordability and Access to Critical Therapies in the Age of Cost Sharing,” a joint initiative of the PAN Foundation and *The American Journal of Managed Care*. The PAN Challenge consists of a call for abstracts/papers that propose policy solutions for improving access to critical treatments for people with rare and chronic illnesses. For more information about the PAN Challenge, visit www.panfoundation.org/challenge.

How to submit

- Abstracts describing your organization’s Case Study must be submitted by September 15, 2015. Abstracts should be no more than 250 words and submitted directly to Amy Niles, Director, Alliance Development, at aniles@panfoundation.org. Collaborations between organizations are encouraged.
- Organizations will be notified of whether their abstracts have been accepted by October 1, 2015.
- Accepted organizations will be asked to submit case studies by December 15, 2015. Case Studies should be no more than 2,500 words. Case Studies should be submitted directly to Amy Niles at aniles@panfoundation.org.
- By January 15, 2016, selected organizations will be invited to present their Case Studies at the Cost-Sharing Roundtable, to be hosted by the PAN Foundation and *The American Journal of Managed Care* in Washington, DC, mid-February 2016 (specific date to be determined). The PAN Foundation will pay for transportation and lodging for one person to attend the Roundtable to present their Case Study.
- Selected Case Studies will be published in a future print and online supplemental edition of *The American Journal of Managed Care*.
- Selected Case Studies will also be promoted on PAN’s website and publications.