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Significant grant allows Community Health Network to deliver exceptional care in area charter schools

Support from The Richard M. Fairbanks Foundation bolsters Community's commitment to school-based healthcare

Indianapolis, IN--- The Richard M. Fairbanks Foundation has awarded Community Health Network Foundation an \$839,400 grant to provide health services in 15 Indianapolis charter schools and expand Community Health Network's strong commitment to school-based healthcare.

The funding allows Community to place nurses, therapists and other caregivers in school-based clinics to address the primary health needs of the students. The grant also allows Community to conduct health assessments for the communities surrounding each of the schools. Results of those assessments will drive action plans to improve the health of the students' communities.

Starting this fall, Community will provide a mix of primary care and behavioral care, sports medicine and health and wellness education to the following elementary, junior high and high school charter schools:

- Andrew J. Brown Academy
- Charles A. Tindley Accelerated School
- Christel House Academy South
- Christel House Academy West
- Hope Academy
- Indianapolis Lighthouse Charter School
- Irvington Community Elementary School
- Irvington Community Middle School
- Irvington Preparatory Academy
- Monument Lighthouse Charter School
- Paramount School of Excellence
- Tindley Collegiate Academy
- Tindley Preparatory Academy
- Tindley Renaissance Academy
- Tindley Summit

The grant also encourages partnerships with area community service providers, and these organizations will partner with Community:

- Jane Pauley Community Health Centers
- Jump IN for Healthy Kids
- Marion County Health Department
- Ruth Lilly Health Education Center

“This is an incredible opportunity to help thousands of students stay healthy and in our schools,” said Joyce Irwin, Community Health Network Foundation’s president and CEO. “We will be able to care for the students while also working with partners to improve the health of multiple communities. We are grateful for the funding The Richard M. Fairbanks Foundation has provided and the many lives this grant will impact.”

“The Richard M. Fairbanks Foundation has been working with healthcare providers in the community to develop new school-based models of healthcare for all the charter schools and we are pleased to support Community Health Network’s new approach in these 15 schools,” said Ellen Quigley, grants officer of the Richard M. Fairbanks Foundation.

About Community Health Network Foundation

Community Health Network Foundation is the not-for-profit philanthropic organization of Community Health Network, Central Indiana’s leader in providing convenient access to exceptional healthcare services, where and when patients need them. Donations support patients, caregivers and Central Indiana communities. For more information, visit eCommunity.org or call (317) 355-GIVE.

About Richard M. Fairbanks Foundation

The Richard M. Fairbanks Foundation is an independent, private foundation granting funds to qualifying tax-exempt organizations in the greater Indianapolis, Indiana, area. The Foundation has three primary focus areas: health, the vitality of Indianapolis and sustainable employment. We seek to fund initiatives and organizations delivering impactful solutions that address key challenges facing the Indianapolis community. For more information, visit rmfairbanksfoundation.org or call (317) 846-7111.