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**PRIVATE FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES: MAY 27, 2016**

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Please contact Corporate & Foundation Relations in the Office of Development at [devcfr@mgh.harvard.edu](mailto:devcfr@mgh.harvard.edu) if you wish to submit a proposal in response to any of these opportunities. Note that proposals are still routed through the standard InfoEd/Research Management process.

**1. Psychosocial: Launch Grants, Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation for Childhood Cancer (ALSF)**

ALSF is committed to addressing the psychosocial and behavioral health outcomes for children diagnosed with cancer and their families. Psychosocial Grants fill a direct need for research funding by supporting studies that aim to explain and/or improve psychosocial outcomes of those affected by childhood cancer. These grants are designed to fund researchers who have novel approaches to understanding the psychosocial aspects of pediatric cancer whose proposals will have clinically significant impact. The Psychosocial: Launch Grants will support studies by early career researchers that aim to explain and/or improve psychosocial outcomes of those affected by childhood cancer. Demonstration of outstanding mentorship and a career plan that shows commitment to pediatric cancer investigation are important components of a successful application.

Award Amount: \$100,000 paid over 2 years

LOI Deadline: Jul 13, 2016

Website: <http://www.alexlemonade.org/grants/program-areas/quality-life-and-care#program-141>

**2. Engaging Businesses for Health: 2016 Call for Proposals, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF)**

This solicitation seeks to build the evidence base for how private-sector investment can help build a Culture of Health. Funded studies are expected to include rigorous empirical research that will inform the business case for promoting greater well-being and health equity for all. Projects may be generated from disciplines including business management and administration, finance, marketing, economics, labor, sociology, program evaluation, political science, public policy, public health and health care, public administration, law, or other related fields.

Award Amount: \$250,000 for 2 years

Preliminary Proposal Deadline: Jun 14, 2016

Website: <http://www.rwjf.org/en/library/funding-opportunities/2016/engaging-business-for-health.html>

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See [ECOR's website](#) for information on the funding opps database, COS Pivot or  
contact Amy Robb [arobb@mgh.harvard.edu](mailto:arobb@mgh.harvard.edu) for a research consultation.*

### **3. Research Program, Vasculitis Foundation (VF)**

The purpose of this program is to provide seed grants to support pilot studies in researching:

- Etiology/Pathogenesis (could include a broad range of studies of immunity, inflammation, or vascular biology. Relevance to human vasculitis will be taken into account by the reviewers.)
- Epidemiology, including genetics
- Diagnosis, including identification of disease subtypes
- Treatment/Management, including therapeutics to treat vasculitis or prevent complications, biomarkers, and psychosocial outcomes

The goals of the program are to improve the quality of life for patients with vasculitis and ultimately find the cause/s and cure for vasculitis.

The program funds research worldwide.

Award Amount: \$100,000 for 2 years

Application Deadline: Sep 5, 2016

Website: <http://www.vasculitisfoundation.org/research/research-program/>