## COMMISSION ON INVESTMENT IMPERATIVES FOR A HEALTHY NATION

Philanthropic Coalition for Community Mobilization

Summary: The NAM Leadership Consortium, comprised of public and private leaders from every health system sector, is the only national-level entity focused specifically on alignment of activities and actions across sectors and organizations within the health system. In June of 2020, the Consortium launched a comprehensive initiative to assess the impact of the pandemic on nine health system sectors (ranging from patients and clinicians to care organizations, device manufacturers, public health, and research), as well as lessons learned. Four critical challenges noted by each and every sector were systemic fragmentation, misaligned incentives, structural inequities, and eroding trust. Detailed findings were released in the NAM's *Emerging Stronger from COVID-19* Special Publication. Drawing on these assessments, the Commission on Investment Imperatives for a Healthy Nation (the Commission) was formed to focus on building the cross-sector alignment required to overcome these critical challenges and realize a more efficient, effective, equitable, and resilient health system.

The Commission's *Philanthropic Coalition for Community Mobilization* (the Coalition) serves a key role in the Commission's work by providing a platform for diverse community voices to inform the Commission's deliberation on opportunities, priorities, and strategies for cross-sector alignment for health. Additionally, capacity and interest permitting, the Coalition will lead local consideration and/or implementation of the Commission's alignment recommendations in their jurisdictions. Overall, the Coalition aims to ensure that the Commission's activities and recommendations are well informed by local priorities and perspectives and are aligned in a fashion that can help catalyze progress at both national and local levels.

**Approach**: The *Philanthropic Coalition for Community Mobilization* brings forward community perspectives from a variety of lived experiences to inform Commission deliberations using various mechanisms:

- Ad hoc virtual convenings focused on building community funders' capacity to initiate, lead, or facilitate
  multi-sector alignment for health progress in their communities.
- **Periodic communication** featuring updates on the activities of the Commission and its Workstreams, along with information about relevant initiatives at the local, state and national levels.
- Surveys developed to improve the match between opportunities and practical local initiatives will be shared with the Coalition for sharing with their grantee organizations and other community partners to gain community input on the activities and refine the efforts according to perceived needs. Included in the feedback process will be gathering of local stories and identification of barriers to local- or regional-level cross-sector alignment to support health.

Members of the *Philanthropic Coalition for Community Mobilization* will be routinely engaged and kept up to date on the progress of Commission work, with an emphasis on information pertinent to the Coalition, through regular email newsletters. Newsletters, surveying, and convenings will occur over the two-to-three-year period that the Commission will be operating.

**Participants:** The *Philanthropic Coalition for Community Mobilization* aims to enlist a substantial representation of the local, state, and regional funder organizations operating throughout the United States. Dwayne Proctor from the Missouri Foundation for Health chairs the Coalition, working in close cooperation with regional and national funder associations, as well as the leadership of the National Academy of Medicine.

Related NAM work: Emerging Stronger from COVID-19: Priorities for Health System Transformation (2022)

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**Participants**: Current participants in the *Philanthropic Coalition for Community Mobilization* are noted below. Enrollment is ongoing and all state and local health foundations with similar interests are encouraged to join.

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## 2025 Calendar:

February PCCM Steering Committee virtual meeting

March Progress report

April PCCM Steering Committee virtual meeting
June PCCM Steering Committee virtual meeting

PCCM-wide in person session (tentative)

Progress report

August PCCM Steering Committee virtual meeting

September Query local alignment challenges, levers, and opportunities

Progress report

October PCCM Steering Committee virtual meeting
December PCCM Steering Committee virtual meeting

Progress report

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