



Vertex is excited to announce the launch of the
4th Annual CF Circle of Care
*a competitive grant opportunity to fund innovative
patient-centric programs for the cystic fibrosis community*

Vertex is accepting charitable grant applications that focus on one or more of the following categories:

- Programs that support persons with CF living a fuller, more engaged lifestyle
- Programs that address the psycho-social challenges patients and caregivers face with CF
- Programs that improve the overall support of the family members of patients with CF
- Programs or tools that support patients with CF taking more ownership of their healthcare
- Programs focused on the education of patients with CF, including topics on transition and adherence and navigating new environments with CF



Collaborative proposals between non-profit and/or CF advocacy/community groups and/or academic institutions and/or medical societies are strongly encouraged and trans-national programs are also encouraged.

The grant submission should include detailed information (excluding references and bios) on:

- Organizational capacity
- Program summary
- Program milestones
- Evaluation plan. How are you measuring success?
- Communication of results
- Collaboration details
- Sustainability
- Financial information/detailed budget for project

NOTE: Programs funded by multiple sources are welcome

Applicant Requirements:

- Applicant must be a 501(c)(3) or similarly credentialed non-profit organization
- Identification of all collaboration partners and clarification of each partner's roles and responsibilities
- Program must be complete within 12 months of execution of grant agreement and outcomes/accomplishments must be available for review at the end of that period
- Applicants must advise if it is a new program or support for ongoing initiatives

Additional details:

- Individual Projects Maximum Grant Amount: \$50,000 USD per award
- Collaboration Projects Maximum Grant Amount: \$100,000 USD per award
- Total Dollars being Awarded: Up to \$1 Million USD
- Announcement of Grant Recipients will take place no later than January 31, 2018

Incomplete and late proposals will not be considered for review.

Applications will be reviewed by members of the Vertex Grants Committee and independent reviewers from the CF clinical and advocacy communities.

Program is global in scope, but the applications and support materials must be submitted in English.

Please see attached document for submission instructions



Please submit applications through https://vertex.envisionpharma.com/vt_vertex/

Deadline for Submission: November 30, 2017, Midnight EST



CF Circle of Care

Submission Instructions

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Instruction:

1. Navigate to <https://www.vrtx.com/giving-back/grants-funding>
2. Scroll down to “Charitable Programs” and click on “Learn More” to access the Grant Application System
3. Log in or register as a new user
4. Click “New Grant”
5. Agree to the terms and conditions
6. From the dropdown “Grant Type,” choose “Charitable Grant”
7. For “Charitable Objective” choose “Support disease-specific programs for non-profits”
8. On the first tab, click “Copy my Profile” to populate much of the initial information. Complete the Organization Information fields, as well
9. On the “Program Info” tab, the title of your grant *must* begin with **“CF Circle of Care/[title of your submission]”**. This is extremely important, as it will allow us to identify grants submitted as part of this request
10. Fill in the remaining fields, and upload the appropriate attachments on the attachment tab. The “Executive Summary of Planned Activities” field should be utilized for the proposal summary. **Please be sure to include your Project Summary form in the attachments. Applications missing this form will not be considered complete.**
11. Submit your grant



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Vertex cannot fund projects that will provide a benefit to Vertex other than the “incidental and tenuous” benefit that Vertex receives in the form of goodwill, name recognition, and publicity. Specifically, Vertex will not consider projects that:

- Promote a specific Vertex product or line of business
- Provide more than an “incidental or tenuous” benefit to Vertex (generally defined as good will and publicity)
- Involve lobbying or political activity
- Create an appearance of impropriety



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2018 Project Summary



- This document should be uploaded into the VisionTracker system as an attachment to your CF Circle of Care application

- Hover over text fields for more information
- Remember to **SAVE** to record your answers

Name of Organization:

Title of Project:

Type of Project: (Check one) Individual Collaboration

If collaboration, please identify name(s) of collaborator(s), role and responsibility in the project:

Key deliverables (e.g., online program, mobile application, pilot study):

1.

2.

3.

Evaluation Plan (how are you measuring success):

If awarded, do you foresee this project continuing beyond the original grant term? (Check one) **Yes** **No**

If yes, how do you plan to fund the project beyond the original grant term?

Awareness/Communication plan for project (e.g., publication, presentation at appropriate conference, social media):