Improving the Care of Older Adults

The John A. Hartford Foundation, based in New York City, is a private, nonpartisan national philanthropy dedicated to improving the care of older adults. Established in 1929 by John and George Hartford, the founders of the Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company (also known as the A&P grocery stores), our Foundation is the nation’s leading philanthropy with a sustained interest in aging. Since 1982, The John A. Hartford Foundation has awarded more than $500 million in grants to enhance the health and well-being of older people.

Contributing to a Vital, Aging Society

The Foundation’s efforts are critical because our society is aging rapidly. Every eight seconds, someone in America turns 65 years of age. Today, we are experiencing the largest cohort of older adults in our country’s history. This group is living and working longer, redefining later life, and enriching our communities in new and vital ways. To that end, older adults require age-specific, comprehensive, coordinated care.

Three Signature Priority Areas

The John A. Hartford Foundation has a distinguished history of investing in aging experts and practice innovations that transform how the care of older adults is delivered. Seeking Triple Aim results, we are committed to better care that both drives better health outcomes and lowers costs. In a rapidly evolving healthcare environment, our Foundation supports the spread of evidence-based models that can dramatically accelerate care improvement for older adults, which benefits all of us.

Our priority areas include:

- Age-Friendly Health Systems
- Family Caregiving
- Serious Illness and End of Life

Collaboration is a core Foundation value, reflected in our programs and funding partnerships. We are always seeking ways to expand the impact of our investments, through engagement and partnership with a range of private and public organizations that share our mission and values.

The John A. Hartford Foundation is proud of the sustained contributions we have made and will continue to make in support of improving care for older adults.