GRANT FUNDING OPPORTUNITY ANNOUNCEMENT

**Funding Source:** The Special Hope Foundation and American Academy of Developmental Medicine and Dentistry (AADMD) are partnering together in sponsorship of this Request for Proposal.

**Funding Title:** Telemedicine Outreach Model: *Comprehensive Healthcare for Adults with Developmental Disabilities*

**Purpose:** The mission of the Special Hope Foundation (SHF) is to promote the establishment of comprehensive healthcare for adults with developmental disabilities (I/DD), designed to address their unique and fundamental needs. Sharing SHF’s interest in promoting and improving quality healthcare, as well as access to healthcare for adults with I/DD, is the American Academy of Developmental Medicine and Dentistry (AADMD). The two organizations are collaborating to advance the planning, implementation, and expansion of telemedicine for adults with developmental disabilities throughout the country. The intent of this RFP is to explore what healthcare services are available or possible, using telemedicine for the “target population” defined as— *adults with I/DD, including transitional youth defined as young adults 18 to 28 years.*

**Applicant:** RFP Target applicants include: 1) University Centers for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities (UCEDD), 2) Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental and Related Disabilities (LEND) Programs, and 3) other Not-for-Profit 501c3 Healthcare Provider Organizations.

**Available funding resources:** Special Hope Foundation will provide $50,000 total for 1-year period for planning or implementation/expansion grants through this funding opportunity.

**Availability of Funding Announcement/Request for Proposals (RFP) release date:** July 1, 2014.

**Application procedure:** The RFP will be made available at [www.specialhope.org](http://www.specialhope.org)

**Submission Deadline:** September 26, 2014 (1 p.m. PST)

**Funding Release/Project Start Date:** March 1, 2015