Calling All Birmingham Communities:
Register Today for the 2017 CHIA Innovation Workshop!
Earn up to $25,000 for your health-related project

What is the CHIA Innovation Workshop?
The CHIA Innovation Workshop is the required first step of an annual grant competition called the Community Health Innovation Awards (CHIA). Teams who make it through the selection process, which includes two workshops, submission of a draft and final proposal, and a final presentation, will receive funding of $5,000-$25,000 to support their project. Interested? Register to attend by Wednesday, March 1, 2017.

Who Can Register?
501(c)(3)s (or anyone willing to partner with a 501(c)(3)) with a creative idea for solving an “on the ground” health challenge in Birmingham. We are looking for novel, collaborative, inclusive, sustainable solutions that address real-world community health needs.

How to Register
Register online at http://www.uab.edu/ccts/community/chia. Our CHIA webpage also includes examples of past award-winning projects.

Workshop Details:
The mandatory Innovation Workshop will take place on Saturday, March 4, 9:00am-3:00pm, at the Edge of Chaos, located on the 4th Floor of the UAB Lister Hill Library, 1700 University Boulevard.

Questions?
Check out our CHIA FAQs at http://www.uab.edu/ccts/images/CHIA_FAQ_Y5.pdf or send email to CHIAteam2017@gmail.com.

Community Health Concerns
- Empty lots and abandoned houses
- Crime
- Diabetes
- High-blood pressure
- Lack of sidewalks, walking trails, and clean parks
- Teen pregnancy
- High school dropout rate
- Overweight/obesity
- Environmental pollutants
- Elderly shut-in residents
- Traffic safety
- Tornado damage/disruption
About the CHIA

The Community Health Innovation Awards (CHIA) are supported by the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) and the Center for Clinical and Translational Science's (CCTS) One Great Community (OGC), with funding from the National Institutes of Health Grant UL1TR001417.

OGC's goal is to ensure research efforts respond to and reflect the needs of the community. How? By connecting researchers with the multiple communities they serve to foster deeper involvement, dialogue, and mutual understanding.

New in 2017, we are joined by CO.STARTERS, a 10-week program that helps aspiring and seasoned entrepreneurs examine assumptions and turn ideas into action. More than a course, CO.STARTERS is the starting point for building a vibrant startup community.

CHIA provides a unique opportunity for participants to design, develop, and implement innovative ideas for solving their most challenging health needs. It is also a chance to demonstrate Birmingham's forward thinking.

We are 23 communities, 99 neighborhoods, the birthplace of civil rights, a historic steel town, and home to a world-class medical center, and we are all in this together! We are One Great Community.