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**Research Institute for Home Care Awards First Grant Under New Branding**

*Newest grant seeks to understand and inform care in the Home Health Value Based Purchasing Program*

**Washington, DC (November 3, 2022)** – The Research Institute for Home Care (the Institute) announced the recipient of the 2022 Home Care Research Grant, awarding Madeline Sterling, MD, MPH, MS, Assistant Professor of Medicine at Weill Cornell Medicine, the award for the study, “Understanding the Perspectives of Key Home Health Stakeholders Towards Home Health Value Based Purchasing (HHVBP) in the United States.” This project aims to understand the impact of the HHVBP program, set to be implemented nationwide in January 2023, through a national qualitative study of key stakeholders, and ultimately inform a report with guiding principles for providing high-quality, cost-effective care under the program.

Dr. Sterling’s study, the ninth grant funded overall by the organization and the first as the Institute, continues the organization’s mission of investing in the home care community by funding high-quality, unbiased research with the goal of advancing care and promoting the value of care of care at home.

“As the Institute embarks on a new future, we are excited to be able to continue our grant program with Dr. Sterling, her team at Weill Cornell Medicine, and her co-investigators from across the country,” said Joan Doyle, Chairman of the Institute’s Board of Directors. “With the expansion of the HHVBP program set to begin nationwide in just a few months, this work is critical to helping care providers navigate the model, and may inform policy and regulatory work for the future.”

“We are thrilled to receive this funding and get to work,” said Dr. Sterling. “We believe that our results will have important implications for the home care industry and patient care.”

Now in its fifth year, the Institute’s grant is the only one of its kind focused solely on advancing and improving care at home. Previously awarded grants include those focusing on policy, polypharmacy, home health for patients with dementia, a hospital to home intervention program, the impacts of frontloading, and caring for culturally diverse patients. All projects are selected based on their rigorous approach to research and their aim at advancing the delivery of care at home, aligning with the Institute’s mission improving care and raising awareness of the critical need for home care for an aging population.

The 2023 funding cycle is now open on the Institute’s website ([www.researchinstituteforhomecare.org](http://www.researchinstituteforhomecare.org)). For more information about the Institute’s grant funding efforts, or to learn more about future grant opportunities, please visit the Institute’s or reach out to the Institute’s Executive Director, Jennifer Schiller, at [jschiller@researchinstituteforhomecare.org](mailto:jschiller@researchinstituteforhomecare.org).

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