



*International Community Access to Child Health*  
*Making a World of Difference in Children's Health!*

## ICATCH 2014 Quick Facts

ICATCH, modeled after the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) CATCH Program, was founded and is administered by the AAP Section on International Child Health (SOICH). CATCH stands for Community Access To Child Health. The aim of both programs is to provide funding and support for community-based initiatives that improve child health or increase children's access to health services. While the CATCH program is based in the United States, ICATCH (International CATCH) was developed specifically for pediatricians and health workers in low and middle-income countries.

ICATCH grants provide financial and advisory support to pediatricians and health workers for the planning and implementation of a project or service that improves children's health in their community.

- The project must originate from the community in which it will be implemented.
- ICATCH funding is for the establishment of programs with potential for replication in other communities.
- Funding cannot be used for research, though data collection and analysis for the purposes of monitoring and evaluation is encouraged.
- Grants provide financial support with a maximum of \$6,000 over a three-year period (\$2,000 per year).
- Grant writing assistance, peer support, and collaboration opportunities are also provided.
- The names of two individuals leading the project are required on the application. In order to ensure that ownership of the project resides within the community, the project director must be a pediatrician or health worker (physician, nurse, community health worker, social worker, etc.) living in the project country. The project director must also be a member or affiliate member of SOICH (please note applicants can join at the time of application). It is preferable but not required to have the co-director also living in the project country.

**For additional information, proposal deadlines, and application form please see the SOICH website:**

[http://www2.aap.org/sections/ich/i\\_catch.htm](http://www2.aap.org/sections/ich/i_catch.htm)

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