

**The President and Directors of Georgetown College**  
(Washington, DC)

**Total Award: \$100,000 over 1 year**

*Genetic Information and Health Insurance*

To support the Genetic Information and Health Insurance project to determine the impact of information from genetic testing on access to health insurance and health services. As genetic testing becomes more widely available and commonly used to identify medical risk factors, concerns have grown that this information will be used to deny coverage to patients and their relatives or to set rates that place coverage out of reach. In addition, the fear of health insurance discrimination threatens to discourage people from undergoing genetic testing, thereby limiting research on life-saving interventions for genetic-based diseases such as cancer and hemophilia. This project will provide critically important information to inform the ongoing debate among state and federal policymakers regarding this problem and its possible solutions.

***Program Contribution Breakdown:***

**\$100,000** Health Program: *Objective I, Strategy 1*