

Some of these advantages may make one or more of these structures desirable to you. One thought should be kept in mind, however, that because these special structures have limited purposes they also have limited scope of activity and flexibility.

A. Medical Foundations

Foundations formed primarily for medical or health purposes are sometimes given exemption from self-dealing and accumulation of income prohibitions.

The Hughes Medical Institute was formed to take advantage of some of these advantages. Medical foundations may either conduct medical activity, (research or treatment) or primarily support organizations carrying on medical activity. The Salk Institute and the Mayo Clinic carry on direct medical activity. The Searle Foundation supports medical activity through medical contributions or scholarships. The granting of medical scholarships or nursing scholarships may be one means of obtaining a medical exemption