



Oklahoma Rural Health

Transformation Program

Quick-Reference Guide

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Oklahoma has officially secured \$223.5 million for the first budget period of a five-year grant through the Rural Health Transformation Program (RHTP), part of a historic \$50 billion federal investment.

The program focuses on helping people get the care they need where they live, leading to a healthier, thriving state.

Where can I find more information?

- Visit Oklahoma.gov/health/RHTP for all current information.
- The RHTP Application Summary on the website shows an outline of all funded programs.
- For questions, email OklahomaRHTP@health.ok.gov.

When will funding be available and what happens next?

- Oklahoma is fortunate to be funded an extra \$23.5 million beyond the \$200 million we were instructed to plan and budget for, requiring us to adjust and resubmit our budget to CMS for review/approval.
- Timely distribution of funding, in accordance with state procurement laws, is our top priority. As program details are finalized, funding opportunities and updates will be posted on the RHT Program website.

How will the funding be distributed?

- Money will be distributed in various ways, all in line with state procurement laws. Because of the urgency to distribute money and begin implementation as quickly as possible, some inter-agency contracts will be used.
- Any RFPs/NOFOs will be posted on the RHTP website.

Which communities/counties are eligible to receive funding?

- Funds will be restricted to programs/applications that serve communities with populations of 55,000 or less, excluding towns in Oklahoma and Tulsa counties.
- Entities located outside of rural areas may apply for funding but will be required to explicitly demonstrate how rural communities are being engaged as partners and how RHTP dollars are serving specifically rural beneficiaries.

What oversight will be provided to make sure accountability for funding/expenditure is followed?

- Oversight for the funding will include quarterly and annual reports, communications and reporting to our CMS partners, and monthly visits with our CMS officer. The legislature will also be able to view funding progress.

Talking Points to Share in Your Community

The RHTP strengthens the entire local health system, so communities have more reliable access to care, emergency response services, and prevention services, without having to travel long distances.

Why this matters:

- Rural hospitals and clinics are more stable, so communities are less likely to lose essential services.
- There is more **coordination of care** between hospitals, providers, EMS and community health organizations.
- Preventive care, maternal/fetal medicine, and behavioral health services are **available in your community**.
- Community members can **stay local** to receive their health care.
- Communities have **better health care workforce pipelines**, with providers staying long-term.



Scan, click or visit Oklahoma.gov/health/RHTP for more information.

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Dollar amount reflects the program budget year one allocation in millions.

Organization Acronym Key

OSDH	Oklahoma State Department of Health
OHCA	Oklahoma Health Care Authority
SWODA	South Western Oklahoma Development Authority
OSDE	Oklahoma State Department of Education
HWTC	Healthcare Workforce Training Commission
OHA	Oklahoma Hospital Association



INNOVATING THE CARE MODEL

Focused on bringing care closer to home.

Fund Use	Admin
Telestroke Program	OU \$0.5
Maternal Fetal Medicine (MFM) Telehealth Expansion	OU + OSU \$6.6
Remote Patient Monitoring (RPM): Maternal Health	OHCA \$0.8
Transportation Expansion	SWODA \$2.7
Expanding Care: Community Paramedicine	OSU \$8.2
Expanding Care: Doulas	OSDH \$1.2
Behavioral Health (BH) Integration in Primary Care	OSDH \$3.2
School-Based Services Support	OSDE \$3.0
Technology Cooperative for Primary Care Providers (PCP) and Behavioral Health (BH) Providers	OSDH \$13.8



MOVING UPSTREAM

Focused on strengthening community-led prevention and wellness.

Fund Use	Admin
Chronic Disease Management Program	OSDH \$12.8
Community Care Referral Program	OHCA \$0.4
Consumer-Facing Technology	OSDH \$3.3
CHW Expansion	OHA \$4.3
Community-Led Wellness Hub: Microgrants	OSDH \$2.8
Lung Cancer Screening	OHA \$2.3
Presidential Fitness Test Preparation	OSDH \$1.1



FACILITATING REGIONAL COLLABORATION

Helping local partners share resources and work together on operations, technology and coordinated care.

Fund Use	Admin
Provider Collaborative Network Development	OSDH \$43.1
Rural Regional Reorientation Plan	OSDH \$26.4
EMS Centralization	OSDH \$4.5



SHIFTING TO VALUE

Supporting the transition to value-based care through technical assistance and infrastructure development.

Fund Use	Admin
Value-Based Care Practice Enablement Support	OHCA \$1.6
Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) Expansion	OHCA \$15.2
Primary Care Provider (PCP) Clinical Extension Models	OHCA \$1.6
Maternal Health Value Based Payments Support	OHCA \$1.3



GROWING NEXT-GEN RURAL TALENT

Building a stronger workforce pipeline, bringing and retaining more providers in rural communities.

Fund Use	Admin
Rural Residency Programs	OU + OSU \$22.4
HWTC Rural Re-Location Incentives	HWTC \$0.8
CareerTech High School LPN Program - "Grow Your Own"	CareerTech \$1.1



BUILDING HEALTH DATA UTILITY

Investing in technology that lets health care providers share patient information and coordinate care more easily.

Fund Use	Admin
Electronic Health Record (EHR) Expansion	OHCA \$5.5
Health Information Exchange (HIE) Interoperability	OHCA \$6.2
Data and Analytics Expansion	OHCA \$8.2

Note: Approximately \$19 million in year one will be used for cross-initiative activities. FY1 budgets are subject to change throughout Program Year, as approved by CMS.