DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

Notice of Supplemental Funding, Appalachian Region Healthcare Support Program

AGENCY: Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Department of Health and Human Services.

ACTION: Notice of supplemental funding.

SUMMARY: HRSA is providing additional funding under the Appalachian Region Healthcare Support Program to one award recipient in fiscal year (FY) 2026. This supplemental funding will support additional technical assistance (TA) to help rural healthcare organizations located in the rural counties served by the Appalachian Regional Commission to strengthen healthcare delivery in the region.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sheena Johnson, Deputy Division Director, Hospital State Division, Federal Office of Rural Health Policy, HRSA, at *sjohnson@hrsa.gov* and 872–271–6370.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Intended Recipient of the Award: Rural Health Redesign Center Organization, Inc.

Amount of Non-Competitive Award: One supplemental award for $1,000,000.

Project Period: September 30, 2026, to September 29, 2027.

Assistance Listing Number: 93.619.

Award Instrument: Cooperative Agreement.

Authority: Section 711(b) of the Social Security Act.

TABLE 1—RECIPIENT AND AWARD AMOUNT

Grant No.	Award recipient name	City, state	Award amount
UZ2RH53800	Rural Health Redesign Center Organization, Inc	Harrisburg, PA	$1,000,000

Justification: HRSA received additional funding for the Appalachian Region Healthcare Support Program in FY 2026 through the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2026, (*https://www.congress.gov/119/bills/hr7148/BILLS-119hr7148enr.pdf*), H.R. 7148. This funding will provide a one-time supplement to the Rural Health Redesign Center Organization, Inc. to strengthen healthcare delivery by providing free in-depth TA to rural healthcare organizations located in the Appalachian Regional Commission region to improve financial and operational performance as well as the quality of care. The grant recipient will use funding to expand TA services, length of TA, and work with more eligible rural healthcare organizations that will benefit from TA (such as critical access hospitals, small rural hospitals, rural health clinics, tribal healthcare facilities, and other healthcare organizations) to meet the program objectives:

(1) Provide objective analysis and assessment of healthcare organizations' financial status, market share, quality indicators, locally available human services, and gaps in services so that organizations can make actionable change;

(2) Identify clinical areas where expansion of services would meet local need, keep health care services available locally, and improve financial and operational performance and quality of care; and

(3) Implement best practice recommendations by providing support for initial operating and equipment costs.

Thomas J. Engels,

Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection: Public Comment Request; Information Collection Request Title: Rural Health Network Development Program Performance Improvement and Measurement System, OMB No. 0906–0010—Revision

AGENCY: Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Department of Health and Human Services.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirement for opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, HRSA announces plans to submit an Information Collection Request (ICR), described below, to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Prior to submitting the ICR to OMB, HRSA seeks comments from the public regarding the burden estimate, below, or any other aspect of the ICR.

DATES: Comments on this ICR should be received no later than November 10, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments to *paperwork@hrsa.gov* or mail the HRSA Information Collection Clearance Officer, Room 13N82, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, Maryland 20857.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and draft instruments, email *paperwork@hrsa.gov* or call Samantha Miller, the HRSA Information Collection Clearance Officer, at (301) 443–9094.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: When submitting comments or requesting information, please include the ICR title for reference.

Information Collection Request Title: Rural Health Network Development Program Performance Improvement and Measurement System, OMB No. 0906–0010—Revision.

Abstract: The Rural Health Network Development (RHND) program is authorized under section 330A(f) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 254c(f)). The purpose of this program is to support integrated health care networks that collaborate to achieve efficiencies; expand access to, coordinate, and improve the quality of basic health care services and associated health outcomes; and strengthen the rural health care system as a whole. RHND award recipients currently collect data using an OMB approved set of performance measures.

Need and Proposed Use of the Information: The purpose of the data collection is for HRSA to assess RHND awardees' progress in meeting the program goals, and how well each awardee meets their community needs. These measures cover the principal topic areas of interest to HRSA, including: (1) network collaboration, (2) demographics and services, (3) health

information technology and telehealth, and (4) project specific domains. All measures will evaluate HRSA's progress toward achieving its goals.

HRSA seeks to revise the approved information collection, which RHND awardees will submit to HRSA on an annual basis. There are no substantive changes to the actual current OMB approved form/measures. The proposed revisions are administrative in nature, which include:

- Reducing the total number of respondents to 43 as one award recipient relinquished their funding in Fiscal Year 2025.
- Decreasing the estimated average burden per response. The decrease in burden is largely due to current RHND award recipients who are now in their fourth and final year of the grant and have systems in place to capture and report data.

Likely Respondents: Respondents will be award recipients of the Rural Health Network Development Program.

Burden Statement: Burden in this context means the time expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, disclose, or provide the information requested. This includes the time needed to review instructions; to develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purpose of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; to train personnel and to be able to respond to a collection of information; to search data sources; to complete and review the collection of information; and to transmit or otherwise disclose the information. The total annual burden hours estimated for this ICR are summarized in the table below.

Total Estimated Annualized Burden Hours:

Form name	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Total responses	Average burden per response (in hours)	Total burden hours
Performance Improvement and Measurement System Database	43	1	43	9	387
Total	43	1	43	9	387

HRSA specifically requests comments on (1) the necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency's functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

Maria G. Button,

Director, Executive Secretariat.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

Notice of Supplemental Funding, Infant-Toddler Court Program—State Awards

AGENCY: Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Department of Health and Human Services.

ACTION: Notice of supplemental funding.

SUMMARY: HRSA is providing additional award funds to 11 current ITCP—State Award recipients previously funded under HRSA–22–73 to support the continuation and expansion of existing activities to build state and local capacity and implement the infant-toddler court approach in federal fiscal year (FY) 2026.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ekaterina Zoubak, Early Childhood Systems Analyst, Division of Home Visiting and Early Childhood Systems, HRSA, at *ezoubak@hrsa.gov* and 240–475–8014.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Intended Recipient(s) of the Award: Current ITCP—State Award recipients (11 current awardees).

Amount of Non-Competitive Award: $4,588,804, or up to $417,164 for each award.

Project Period: September 30, 2022, to September 29, 2027.

Assistance Listing Number: 93.110.

Award Instrument: Non-competitive supplemental funding to the existing Cooperative Agreement.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 701(a)(2) (Title V, § 501(a)(2) of the Social Security Act).

TABLE 1—RECIPIENT(S) AND AWARD AMOUNT(S)

Grant No.	Award recipient name	City, state	
U2ZMC46643	Prevent Child Abuse Arizona	AZ	$417,164
U2ZMC529755	Illuminate Colorado	CO	417,164
U2ZMC46638	Georgia State University Research Foundation, Inc	GA	417,164
U2ZMC55646	Iowa Department of Health and Human Services	IA	417,164
U2ZMC46639	Michigan Department of Health and Human Services	MI	417,164
U2ZMC46636	Nevada Division of Child & Family Services	NV	417,164
U2ZMC46642	Passaic County Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA), A New Jersey Nonprofit Corporation.	NJ	417,164
U2ZMC46640	Justice Innovation Inc. d/b/a Center for Court Innovation	NY	417,164
U2ZMC46637	Educational Service Center of Cuyahoga County	OH	417,164
U2ZMC46635	Children's Center	UT	417,164
U2ZMC46634	Children and Youth Justice Center	WA	417,164