

RFA # 1510160807
New York State Department of Health
Office of Primary Care and Health Systems Management
Request for Applications
Essential Health Care Provider Support Program
ADDENDUM # 2
November 9, 2015

KEY DATES

RFA Release Date	October 21, 2015
Applications Due:	Round 1: November 20, 2015 by 5:00PM EST
	Round 2: December 18, 2015 by 5:00PM EST

Amendment to RFA (pages 22-23)

The following has been updated/modified in the RFA. Strike-through indicates deleted text; underlined/bolded text is new.

VI. Review and Award Process

Grant Award

Based on an evaluation of the technical and financial proposals, and consideration of any information obtained by the Department from other sources, applications will be assigned to the following tiers: “Good” “Acceptable”, or “Poor”. Applications ranked as “Poor” will be removed from consideration.

Awards will be made first to applications ranked as “Good”, then “Acceptable”. ~~In the event that funds are not sufficient to support all applications in the lowest tier for which funding is available, DOH will select applications from within that tier by considering:~~ For purposes of determining final awards within each tier, DOH may give priority consideration to applications:

1. From Federally designated Critical Access Hospitals, or Federally designated Sole Community Hospitals, or State designated rural hospitals, or hospitals whose location, due to transportation infrastructure, distance, and/or travel time, presents a risk to safe and timely patient transfer or service coordination; or
2. 1. Applications that will help achieve a geographic distribution of funds; or
3. That request \$25 million or less, in order to allow the Department to maximize the number of funded projects; or
4. 2. Applications that, based on the Department's knowledge of community needs, will fulfill the program's goals, or preserve essential healthcare services in a community in a manner that is superior to others in the same tier.

If changes in funding amounts are necessary for this initiative or if additional funding becomes available, funding will be modified and awarded in the same manner as outlined in the award process described above.

Once an award has been made, applicants may request a debriefing of their application. Please note the debriefing will be limited only to the strengths and weaknesses of the subject application and will not include any discussion of other applications. Requests must be received no later than ten (10) business days from date of award or non-award announcement.

In the event unsuccessful applicants wish to protest the award resulting from this RFA, applicants should follow the protest procedures established by the Office of the State Comptroller (OSC). These procedures can be found on the OSC website at <http://www.osc.state.ny.us/agencies/guide/MyWebHelp>.

Disbursement of awards shall be conditioned on the awardee achieving the process and performance metrics and milestones as agreed upon in the contract. The metrics and milestones are structured to ensure that the health care transformation and sustainability goals of the project are achieved and will be included in grant disbursement agreements or other contractual documents as required by the Commissioner.