

Rural Enhancement Grant

Purpose:

The South Carolina Office of Rural Health has partnered with SC Center for Rural and Primary Healthcare to provide a funding opportunity for rural health providers to advance their practices through modern technology upgrades, including computers, information technology (IT) updates, educational materials, training, and/or portable medical devices. This grant opportunity has been expanded to support practice needs related to COVID-19.

Funding:

Proposals must include a description of items for which the funding will be used. Examples of items can include but are not limited to:

- **Computers** - Examples: desktops and laptops
- **Information technology** - Examples: software such as Microsoft Office and risk assessment tools
- **Portable medical devices** - Examples: remote patient monitoring, blood pressure machines, pulse oximeter, vital signs machines, etc.
- **Educational materials and training** - Examples: PCMH-CCE continuing education, Lean Six Sigma training, IHI Improvement Coach Professional Development Program.
- **COVID-19 Response** – Examples: PPE, supplies, signage, plexiglass dividers, staff training, telehealth upgrades, EHR modifications, equipment

Funding Award: Awardees may receive up to \$5,000 per organization if the criteria and eligibility requirements are met.

Anticipated Timeline:

Complete proposals for the Rural Enhancement Grant projects will be accepted by the SC Office of Rural Health until 5:00 p.m. EST on June 3, 2022. Incomplete or late proposals will not be considered.

- **Application Deadline:** 6/08/2022
- **Award Notification:** 6/15/2022

Contact and Additional Information: For questions about eligibility and more information about this funding opportunity please contact jjohnson@scorh.net.