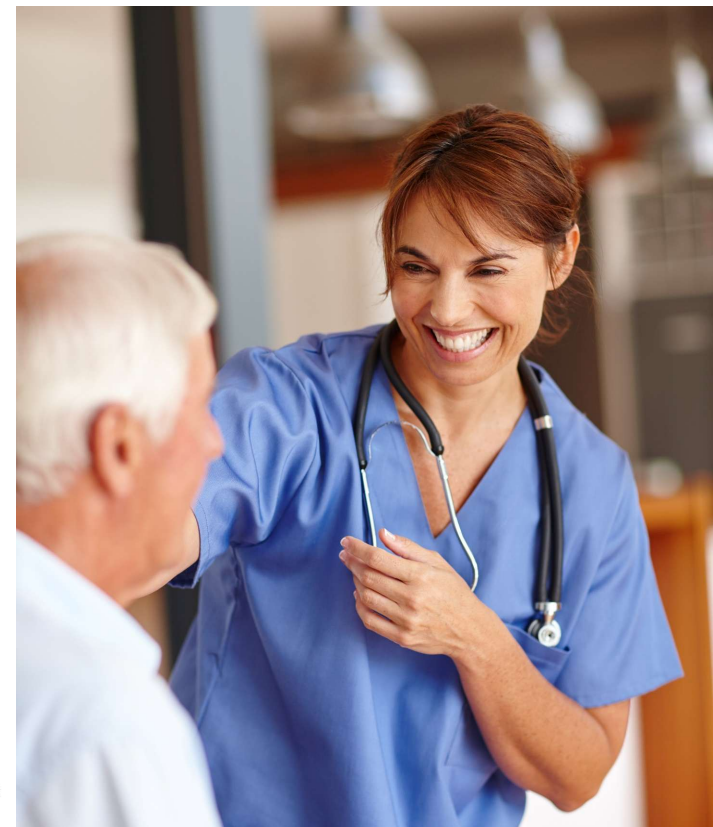




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RURAL HEALTH TRANSFORMATION FUND
RHIF PREPROPOSAL WEBINAR
THURSDAY, JULY 6, 2026 @ 2:00PM MST/MDT
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MISSION

We ensure New Mexicans attain their highest level of health by providing whole-person, cost-effective, accessible, and high-quality health care and safety-net services.



VISION

Every New Mexican has access to affordable health care coverage through a coordinated and seamless health care system.

GOALS



LEVERAGE purchasing power and partnerships to create innovative policies and models of comprehensive health care coverage that improve the health and well-being of New Mexicans and the workforce.



BUILD the best team in state government by supporting employees' continuous growth and wellness.



ACHIEVE health equity by addressing poverty, discrimination, and lack of resources, building a New Mexico where everyone thrives.



IMPLEMENT innovative technology and data-driven decision-making to provide unparalleled, convenient access to services and information.

AGENDA

- Welcome and Introductions
 - *Attendance: Please enter your name, organization, and email in the chat*
- Administrative Details
- RHT Overview
- RHIF Details
- Use of RHT Funding
- RHIF Funding Overview
- RHIF Timeline
- RHIF Process
- How to Submit an Application
- Questions and Answers
- Close



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ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

State of New Mexico -- Health Care Authority (HCA)

- Rural Health Transformation Program
 - Rural Health Innovation Fund (RHIF)

HCA has assigned an RFA Manager responsible for the conduct of this application process.

- Release Date: June 30, 2026
- Application Due Date: July 27, 2026

Procurement Manager:

Nikki Swope, Procurement Manager/Compliance Director

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Overview of the New Mexico RHT Program

- The New Mexico Rural Health Transformation (RHT) Program is a **five-year federal initiative** designed to strengthen rural health delivery across the state
- New Mexico was awarded **\$211,484,740.89 for Year 1** (13th highest award nationally)
- Led by the New Mexico Health Care Authority (HCA)
- Focused on access to care, workforce, sustainability, and data to improve health outcomes across rural, frontier, and tribal communities
- Delivered through **five RHT Program initiatives**

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RHT Program Five Initiatives

- 1 Healthy Horizons
- 2 Rooted in New Mexico
- 3 Rural Health Innovation Fund
- 4 Bridge to Resilience
- 5 Rural Health Data Hub

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Rural Health Innovation Fund

Empowering communities to design and lead local solutions

\$47M Year 1 | **\$189M** Total*

*Subject to annual CMS approval

What We Heard

- One-size-fits-all solutions are not always effective
- Communities need flexibility to solve local challenges
- Funding sometimes does not meet local priorities

What the Innovation Fund Does

- Provider competitive grant funding
- Support community-designed solutions
- Address local health and social needs

What Changes We Expect (Outcomes)

- More community-led programs
- Strong local ownership
- Sustainable solutions over time

How We Fund Community Innovation



Competitive Funding

Opportunities for communities to apply dependent on available funding



Local Design and Leadership

Projects created and led by communities



Accountability and Sustainability

Clear expectations for impact and long-term viability

RHIF FUNDING OPPORTUNITY OVERVIEW

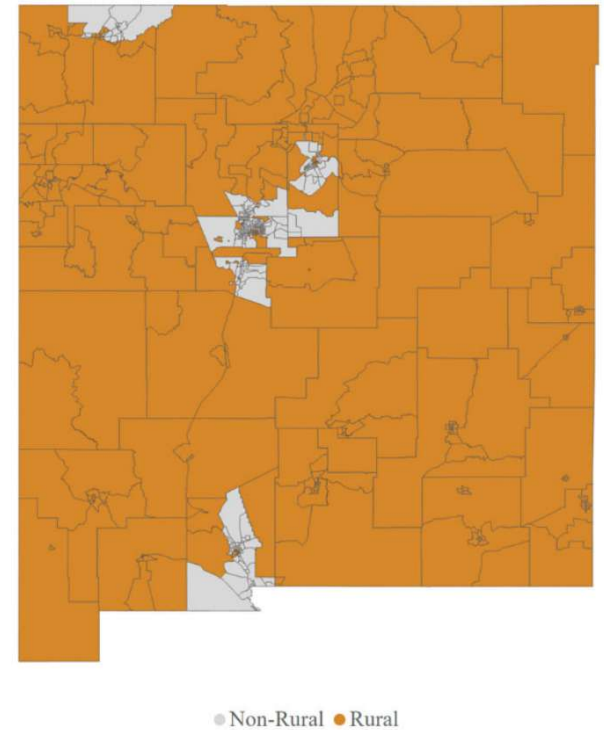
CONTEXT

- RHIF is intended to support health care transformation efforts led by health care providers, Tribal entities, local public health entities, community-based organizations, local governments, academic institutions, regional partnerships, and other organizations or entities with a direct role in implementation and a clear connection to New Mexico's rural, frontier, or Tribal communities.
- Offerors may propose one or multiple proposals.

PURPOSE

- HCA seeks organizations to design and implement innovative health care transformation projects that address identified health care challenges in New Mexico's rural and Tribal communities.

Rural Communities in New Mexico (HRSA)



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What RHT Funding Cannot Be Used For

- Replace or duplicate payment for clinical services that are reimbursable by Medicaid, Medicare, or other payers
- Supplant existing federal, state, local, or private funding sources
- Cover pre-award costs or unrelated expenses not allocable to the project
- Fund construction, building expansion, or major capital improvements
- Pay for goods or services that are the legal responsibility of another entity (e.g., education, vocational rehabilitation, civil rights obligations)
- Support lobbying or activities intended to influence legislation or policy using federal funds

Additional project-specific restrictions:

- Funding clinical services that duplicate billable services or alter existing fee schedules
- New construction or large-scale facility expansion projects
- Certain technology and equipment purchases restricted under federal regulations (e.g., prohibited telecommunications equipment)
- Using funds to finance the non-federal share of Medicaid or other programs

Full Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) available online:
<https://grants.gov/search-results-detail/360442>

RFP TIMELINE

Action	Responsible Party	Due Dates
1. Issue RFP and Application Opens	HCA	June 30, 2026
2. Pre-Proposal Conference	HCA	July 6, 2026
3. Deadline to submit written questions	Potential Offerors	July 6, 2026, 5:00 PM MST/MDT
4. Response to written questions	Procurement Manager	July 10, 2026
5. Organizational Reference Questionnaire Deadline	Organizational References	July 20, 2026, 5:00 PM MST/MDT
6. Submission of Proposal	Potential Offerors	July 27, 2026
7. Proposal Evaluation*	Evaluation Committee	July 28 – August 17, 2026
8. Selection of Finalists, if applicable*	Evaluation Committee	August 14, 2026
9. Oral Presentation(s), if held*	Finalist Offerors	August 19, 2026
10. Best and Final Offers, if requested*	Finalist Offerors	August 20, 2026
11. Finalize Contractual Agreements*	HCA / Finalist Offerors	August 21 – September 21, 2026
12. Contract Awards*	HCA / Finalist Offerors	October 1, 2026 or as soon as possible thereafter
13. Protest Deadline*	HCA/Protesting Parties	In accordance with applicable law and procurement requirements

*Dates indicated in Events 7 through 13 are estimates only and may be subject to change without necessitating an amendment to the RFP.



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RFA PROCESS

Applicants may only contact the RFA Manager regarding this RFA.

- Nikki Swope, nikki.swope@hca.nm.gov

Questions must be submitted in writing by the deadline identified. Written Questions and Answers will be posted to Submittable:

- <https://nmhca-rhtp.submittable.com/submit>

Link to RFA

- https://www.hca.nm.gov/wp-content/uploads/RHT_RHIF_RFP27-630-1000-0004.pdf

Link to Submittable Application:

- <https://nmhca-rhtp.submittable.com/submit>

For Submittable technical issues:

- [Submitter Resource Center](#) or contact [Submittable Customer Support](#)



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RHIF RFA PROCESS

Step 1: Attend Applicant Webinar (Optional)

When: Thursday, July 6, 2026 @ 2:00PM MST

Why Attend: The conference will walk through the RFA process and provide an opportunity for general Q&A.

- * Questions posed during the Webinar must also be submitted to the Applicant Manager in writing to be included in the FAQ document.
- **This Webinar will not recorded and therefore not available after the meeting.

Step 2: Submit Questions (if any)

Deadline: July 6, 2026 @ 5:00PM MST

Submit written questions to the Applicant Manager

Step 3: Receive Responses to Questions

Response Date: July 10, 2026

Applicants will be able to see all responses on Submittable

Step 4: Submit Final Application

Due by: July 27, 2026 @ 5PM MST

How: All proposals must be submitted through Submittable



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HOW TO APPLY: COMPLETE FORM 1

The Submittable System:

- Allows you to save your progress
- You can add team members to collaborate on your submission.
- Submit one final response for evaluation.

(1) To begin an application, click the link in the RFP then click '**Submit**' to start. Click '**Guidelines**' to expand instructions.

NM HCA - Rural Health Transformation Program (RHTP)

Center for Rural Health Sustainability & Innovation (CRHSI) RFP

Ends on Fri, Jun 12, 2026 5:00 PM (in a day)

Guidelines ▾

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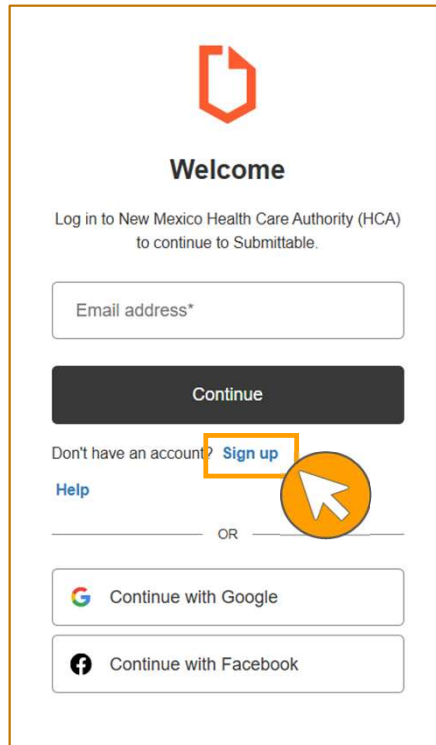
Healthy Horizons Regional Hubs

Ends on Thu, Jul 2, 2026 5:00 PM

Guidelines ▾

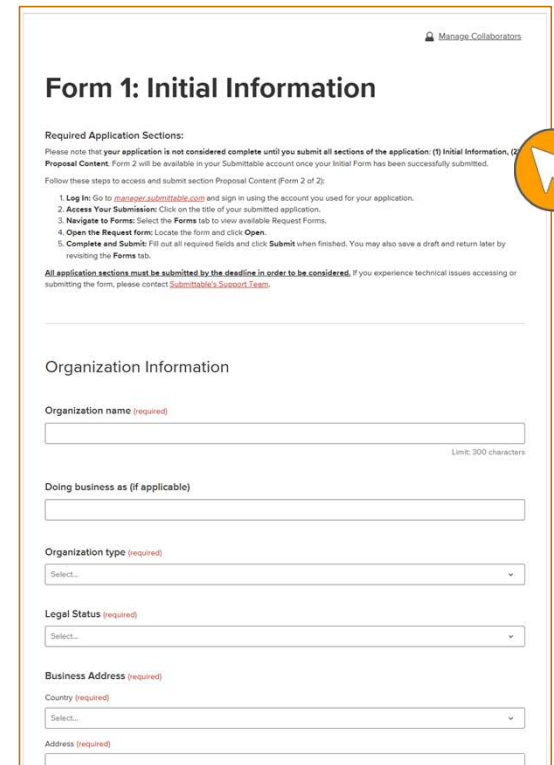
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(2) Sign in, or click "Sign up" to make an account with Submittable to get started.



The image shows the Submittable 'Welcome' page. At the top is the Submittable logo (an orange 'S' shape). Below it, the word 'Welcome' is centered. The text 'Log in to New Mexico Health Care Authority (HCA) to continue to Submittable.' is displayed. There is an input field for 'Email address*'. Below that is a dark grey 'Continue' button. Underneath the button, it says 'Don't have an account? Sign up' with a blue 'Sign up' link. To the right of the 'Sign up' link is a circular orange button with a white mouse cursor icon. Below the 'Sign up' link is a blue 'Help' link. In the center, there is an 'OR' separator. Below that are two social login options: 'Continue with Google' and 'Continue with Facebook', each with its respective logo.

(3) Complete the "Initial Information" Form 1 and click "Submit."



The image shows 'Form 1: Initial Information' on the Submittable platform. At the top right is a 'Manage Collaborators' link. The title 'Form 1: Initial Information' is prominent. Below it, a section titled 'Required Application Sections:' provides instructions. A large circular orange button with a white mouse cursor icon is positioned to the right of the instructions. The form contains several input fields: 'Organization name (required)' with a 'Limit: 300 characters' note, 'Doing business as (if applicable)', 'Organization type (required)' with a dropdown menu, 'Legal Status (required)' with a dropdown menu, 'Business Address (required)' with a 'Country (required)' dropdown, and 'Address (required)'. Each field has a 'Select...' or 'Limit' indicator.



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HOW TO APPLY: COMPLETE FORM 2

(4) Once you submit Form 1, you will see this completion page with a link to **go to your Submittable account**.

NM HCA - Rural Health Transformation Program (RHTP)



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(5) From your Submittable account, you should see "My Submissions" at the top. **Select your "Submission"** for the Opportunity.

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Received	ASO TEST AGENCY	New Mexico Health Care Authority (HCA)	ASO Services for Rural and Behavioral Health Program Administration	May 11, 2026
Received	Hala TEST Audit Firm	New Mexico Health Care Authority (HCA)	RHCDF RFP for Auditing Services	Nov 17, 2025



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HOW TO APPLY: NAVIGATE TO PROPOSAL CONTENT

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(6) Navigate to the "Forms" Tab then click on the "Proposal Content" Form and click "Open" to begin

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Submitted to NM HCA - Rural Health Transformation Program (RHTP) - Rural Health Innovation Fund (RHIF) RFP on Mon, Jul 6, 2026 2:01 PM

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ACTIVITY MESSAGES FORMS NOTE AWARDS & PAYMENTS

Eligibility Form

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Initial Form: NM HCA - Rural Health Transformation Program (RHTP)

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Submitted on July 6, 2026

Additional Forms

Title	Submission Date	State
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Request Forms

[OPTIONAL] Redacted Version - RHIF	Open
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HOW TO APPLY: SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION

(7) Complete the **Proposal Content Form**

(8) Scroll to the bottom of the page to '**Save Draft,**' when complete click '**Submit**' to turn in your application

Form 2: Proposal Content

Section 1. Proposal Summary

1a. Proposal Summary

The Offeror must provide a concise overview of the proposed project, including the health care challenge to be addressed, the population to be served, the proposed approach, and the anticipated benefits or outcomes.

Proposal Summary (required)

Rich text editor with formatting options (bold, italic, underline, bulleted list, numbered list, link, unlink, undo, redo) and a text area. A scroll bar is visible on the right side of the text area.

Limit: 600 words

1b. Project Service Area

Identify the New Mexico communities, counties, regions, or Tribal areas to be served by the proposed project.

Briefly explain how the proposed service area or population is connected to New Mexico's rural, frontier, or Tribal communities, as applicable. Separate rural designation documentation is not required.

Select rural service area(s): (required)

- ☐ Bernalillo
- ☐ Catron
- ☐ Chaves
- ☐ Cibola
- ☐ Colfax
- ☐ Curry
- ☐ De Baca
- ☐ Doña Ana
- ☐ Eddy
- ☐ Grant
- ☐ Guadalupe

Submitting Your Form and Finalizing Your Application:

Before submitting, review all materials and answers to ensure attachments are correct and up to date. To submit, click the **Submit** button below. Once submitted, you **cannot make changes** to your application.

All application sections must be submitted by the deadline in order to be considered including: (1) Initial Information, (2) Proposal Content, (3) Offeror Questionnaire. If you experience technical issues accessing or submitting the form, please contact [Submittable's Support Team](#).

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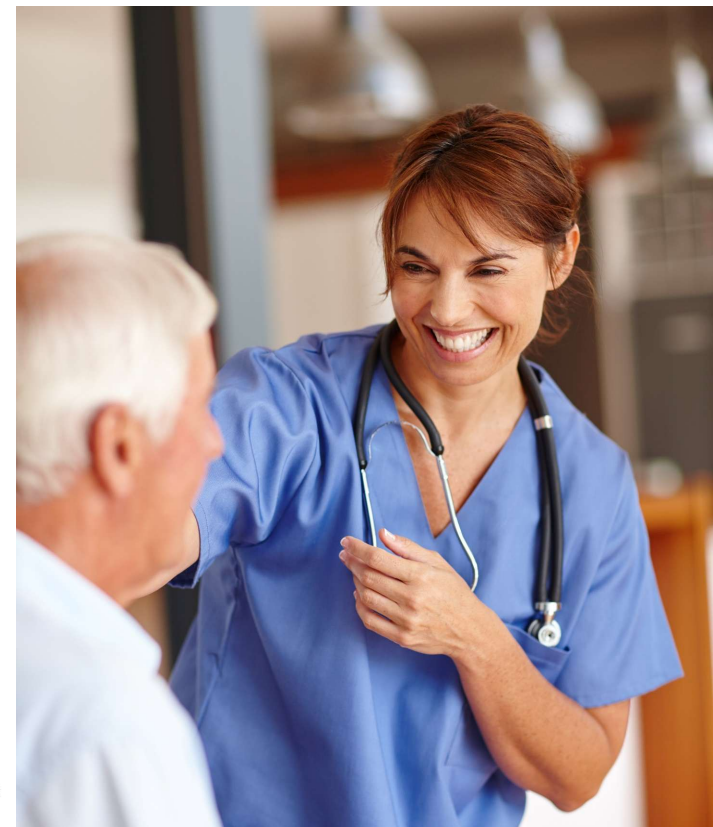


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QUESTIONS & ANSWERS*

*Attendee's questions may be asked and answers can be given, but all verbal responses are considered unofficial.
For an official response please submit the question in writing.

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