

COLORADO NURSING HOME INNOVATIONS GRANT BOARD

Call for Proposals

SUBJECT: Call for proposals for the 2019 Cycle 12 Colorado Nursing Home Innovations Grant Board grants requests. The Board is seeking applications for innovative projects that have the potential to benefit many residents in multiple nursing homes across the state.

TO: All stakeholders

BACKGROUND: On a yearly basis, Colorado Legislature, in Senate Bill SB14-151, has directed this Board to identify projects that will be recommended for funding to benefit the residents of Colorado nursing facilities. The amount available for distribution will be no less than \$500,000 for State fiscal year 2020-2021.

PURPOSES: The purpose of this announcement is to outline procedures for proposals, provide forms for submitting applications and criteria for considering proposals.

PROCEDURES:

1. The application forms are available at www.colorado.gov/hcpf, and through the CDPHE web portal, and at www.healthfacilities.info.
2. Applications must be submitted by email to cdphe_nhib_grant@state.co.us no later than 5 p.m. MST on September 15, 2019.
3. Submissions must meet the criteria listed below and listed in the application. All applicable sections of the application and the required attachments must be submitted in order to be considered.

CRITERIA:

Measures should benefit residents of nursing facilities by fostering innovation and improving the quality of life and care at the facilities. This could include the following:

1. Consumer education to promote resident-centered care in nursing facilities.
2. Initiatives in nursing facilities related to the quality measures promoted by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services and other national quality standards.
3. Education and consultation for purposes of identifying and implementing resident-centered care initiatives in nursing facilities.
4. Each project must be innovative, portable, sustainable, and replicable in other nursing facilities. This includes requiring power point presentations, handouts, and other materials developed for the project to become public information.

5. The project must include a plan for measuring results in quantifiable terms.
6. The project must be completed in no more than three years.
7. No state agency nor any other governmental entity, with the exception of a facility that is owned or operated by a governmental agency and that is licensed as a nursing care facility under section 25-1.5-103(1)(a)(I)(A), may apply for or receive a grant hereunder.
8. Any work product from a grant funded through the nursing home penalty cash fund will become the intellectual property of the State of Colorado and will be made available without charge to all nursing homes in the state.
9. In accordance with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services guidance, projects for capital improvements; to pay for items or services that the facility is already responsible for (required services and supplies); or to fund projects that are unrelated to improving the quality of life of nursing home residents will not be considered.
10. A public presentation must be provided at the end of the grant project per the direction of the Board.