

Health Care Innovation Studies
Application for Funding

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Introduction

During the 2019 General Session, the Wyoming Legislature passed, and Governor Gordon signed into law, Senate File 150 (Senate Enrolled Act 73), Health Care Innovation Studies. The Legislature made a one-time appropriation of \$1,000,000 to the Wyoming Department of Health for the purposes of carrying out health care innovation studies. These studies must aim to achieve the following, per the newly-created Wyoming Statute 9-2-128:

- Reduction of costs associated with long-term care, chronic disease or other health care services to the state of Wyoming;
- Allowing individuals in need of long-term care to remain in their homes and communities;
- Developing necessary long-term care or other health care services in Wyoming; or,
- Use of broadband internet to access health care services.

The Wyoming Department of Health is charged with administering the health care innovation account, establishing rules to carry out health care innovation studies, and establishing the form and manner of application.

Enclosed are the application materials and instructions. Technical questions regarding the application or the application process can be directed to:

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APPLICATIONS FOR HEALTH CARE INNOVATION FUNDS

1. APPLICATION PERIOD

- 1.1 The application period will be open from January 2nd, 2020 through June 30th, 2020.
- 1.2 The Wyoming Department of Health (“the Department”) will review all applications received after the application period has closed.
- 1.3 Applications received after the application period has closed will not be considered.

2. SUBMISSION

- 2.1 Applications can be submitted electronically via email to wdh-healthcareinnovation@wyo.gov, or delivered in hard copy to:

Health Care Innovation Studies
c/o Director’s Unit for Policy, Research, & Evaluation
Wyoming Department of Health
401 Hathaway Building
Cheyenne WY 82002

- 2.2 Applications must contain all information specified in Sections 3 through 10, below.
 - 2.2.1 Responses to each section must appear in the order specified.
 - 2.2.2 Responses to each section must be clearly numbered.

3. APPLICANT INFORMATION

- 3.1 Name of the entity applying, including any subsidiary or proposed sub-contractor information.
- 3.2 Identify a single point of contact for all correspondence for the application materials, including:
 - 3.2.1 Name, role, phone, & email.

4. STAFFING

- 4.1 Identify the primary investigator (PI) responsible for directing study activities.
 - 4.1.1 Name, role, phone, & email.
 - 4.1.2 Summary of qualifications, experience, and capacity. A resume or curriculum vitae may satisfy this requirement.
 - 4.1.3 Any healthcare or other licenses held in Wyoming or any other state.
 - 4.1.4 Signed attestation stating if any adverse action has ever been taken against the PI’s license, in Wyoming or any other state.
- 4.2 All staff involved in study activities.
 - 4.2.1 Names, roles, phones, and emails.
 - 4.2.2 Summary of qualifications, experience, and capacity to conduct the study. A resume or curriculum vitae may satisfy this requirement.

- 4.2.3 Any licenses held in Wyoming or any other state.
- 4.2.4 Signed attestation from each staff member stating if any adverse action has ever been taken against the individual's license, in Wyoming or any other state.

4.3 Any contractors or subsidiaries currently involved or contemplated for involvement in study activities.

5 SERVICES

- 5.1 Summary of the innovative service or model of service delivery.
- 5.2 Summary of similar, existing services or models of service delivery currently available in Wyoming, including existing providers and geographic availability.
- 5.3 Identification of the need filled by the innovative service or model of service delivery, including quantitative evidence of need.

6 STUDY PURPOSE

- 6.1 Identify the purpose of the study as related to the statutory requirements of one or more of the following:
 - 6.1.1 Reduction of costs associated with long-term care, chronic disease, or other health care services to the state of Wyoming;
 - 6.1.2 Allowing individuals in need of long-term care to remain in their homes and communities;
 - 6.1.3 Developing necessary long-term care or other health care services in Wyoming; or,
 - 6.1.4 Use of broadband internet to access health care services.
- 6.2 Statement of the specific research question or questions to be answered by the proposed health care innovation study.
- 6.3 A brief review of current literature relevant to the study purpose and research question or questions.

7 STUDY DESIGN

- 7.1 Population
 - 7.1.1 Selection process
 - 7.1.2 Inclusion/exclusion criteria
 - 7.1.3 Potential risks to study participants and strategies to mitigate those risks
- 7.2 Intervention
 - 7.2.1 Services to be delivered
 - 7.2.2 Method of delivery
- 7.3 Study Methods
 - 7.3.1 Data collection plan
 - 7.3.2 Data storage plan
 - 7.3.3 Data analysis plan
- 7.4 Discussion of the strengths and weaknesses of the study design and potential limits on the interpretation of results.

- 7.5 Timeline for study completion, including participant recruitment, data collection, data analysis, and write-up of results.

8 HYPOTHESIS

- 8.1 Summary of anticipated results
- 8.2 Implications for health care service delivery in Wyoming.
- 8.3 Applicability to existing services or models of service delivery in Wyoming.

9 FUNDING

- 9.1 The amount of funding requested.
- 9.2 A description of any outside funds already secured for the project.
- 9.3 A budget proposal for the study, including:
 - 9.3.1 All funds contemplated for the study, including:
 - 9.3.1.1 Any outside funds already secured;
 - 9.3.1.2 Funding requested from the health care innovation account; and,
 - 9.3.1.3 Any additional funds necessary for successful execution of the study which have not yet been secured.
 - 9.3.2 Allocation of funds to the following categories:
 - 9.3.2.1 Salaries & fringe benefits
 - 9.3.2.2 Office supplies, equipment, & overhead
 - 9.3.2.3 IT software and hardware
 - 9.3.2.4 Service delivery
 - 9.3.2.5 Contracts

10 WAIVER OF RULES

- 10.1 Indicate if the applicant is also seeking a waiver of Wyoming Department of Health rules in order to conduct the innovative study (yes or no). Current Wyoming Department of Health rules can be located at: rules.wyo.gov.
- 10.2 If a waiver is sought:
 - 10.2.1 Cite the particular rule or rules for which a waiver is requested.
 - 10.2.2 Provide a justification for the waiver, including why no alternative exists to accomplish the purposes of the study but for a waiver being granted.