

WY Office of Rural Health Newsletter



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Funding and Technical Assistance Opportunities

Wyoming State Loan Repayment Program Application Period Now Open

The Wyoming State Loan Repayment Program (WY-SLRP) is accepting applications through **January 31, 2020**. The 2019 WY-SLRP application and guidance document is available online

at <https://health.wyo.gov/publichealth/rural/officeofruralhealth/wyoming-state-loan-repayment-program/>.

WY-SLRP is available to primary care physicians and psychiatrists, primary care and behavioral health physician assistants and nurse practitioners, certified nurse midwives, and mental health clinicians practicing full-time at an approved National Health Service Corps (NHSC) site in a federally designated Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA).

Physicians and psychiatrists can receive up to \$40,000 in loan repayment and physician assistants, nurse practitioners, certified nurse midwives and mental health clinicians can receive up to \$20,000 in loan repayment in exchange for 2 years of full-time service at an approved NHSC site.

Please contact Keri Wagner, Healthcare Workforce and Primary Care Office Manager, at keri.wagner@wyo.gov or (307) 777-6512 with any questions.

Black Lung Clinics Program

The HRSA funded, Federal Office of Rural Health Policy program aims to reduce the morbidity and mortality associated with occupationally-related coal mine dust lung disease. To learn more about the program, visit the program [page](#).

A live technical assistance webinar is scheduled for **Monday, January 13, 2020 at 2 pm EST** to assist applicants in preparing their applications. The webinar will be recorded.

Call-In Number: 1-888-942-9711

Participant Code: 6427582

Weblink:

https://hrsa.connectsolutions.com/black_lung_clinics_program_a/

- **Maximum Award:** varies
- **Eligible Applicants:** Any state, public or private entity
- **Application Deadline:** March 6, 2020
- **Application:** Click [here](#) to visit the program website



Effectiveness of Implementing Sustainable Evidence-Based Mental Health Practices in Low-Resource Settings to Achieve Mental Health Equity for Traditionally Underserved Populations

This funding opportunity from the National Institute of Health (NIH) aims to "encourage studies that develop and test the effectiveness of strategies for implementation and sustainable delivery of evidence-based mental health interventions and services to improve clinical and functional outcomes for underserved populations in under-resourced settings." To learn more, visit the program [page](#).

- **Maximum Award:** \$450,000.00 over 3 years
- **Eligible Applicants:** view full list on program [page](#)
- **Application Deadline:** February 24, 2020
- **Application:** Click [here](#) to visit the program website

Empowering Communities to Reduce Falls and Falls Risk

This funding opportunity from the Administration for Community Living aims to reduce falls and/or fall risks among older adults and adults with disabilities by providing funding for communities to implement evidence-based falls prevention program. To see full funding details, visit the program [website](#).

- **Maximum Award:** \$300,000.00
- **Eligible Applicants:** Domestic public or private entities including state and local governments, hospitals, community-based organization, and more.
- **Application Deadline:** January 31, 2020
- **Application:** Click [here](#) to visit the program website

Rural Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, and Stalking Assistance Program

Sponsored by the Office on Violence Against Women, U.S. Department of Defense, this program aims to support collaborative projects that address and prevent sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking in rural communities. To learn more about the program, view the full funding announcement [here](#).

- **Maximum Award:** \$750,000.00
- **Eligible Applicants:** To see a full list, click [here](#).
- **Application Deadline:** January 27, 2020
- **Application:** Click [here](#) to visit the program website

Automated External Defibrillator (AED) Grant Program



CPR Savers provides grants to eligible organizations to cover all or part of the costs associated with purchasing an automated external defibrillator (AED).

- **Eligible Applicants:** Community-based organizations that can demonstrate need for an AED
- **Application Deadline:** Applications accepted on an ongoing basis
- **Application:** Click [here](#) to visit the program website

Research and Explore Awesome Careers in Healthcare (REACH)



The Research and Explore Awesome Careers in

Healthcare (REACH) Program is an exciting program supported by the WY-ORH focusing on rural students in grades 5-10. The purpose of the program is to increase students' awareness, interest, and understanding of healthcare careers available in rural Wyoming. Grant award recipients host day camps in a healthcare setting where students are introduced to rural healthcare careers through a variety of innovative activities.

Learn more about the REACH Program and access the grant application on our [website](#).

- **Maximum Award:** \$1,490
- **Eligible Applicants:** rural healthcare organizations, rural schools or school districts, non profit organizations, and other other organizations per ORH approval.
- **Project Period:** August 2019-June 2020
- **Application Deadline:** January 31, 2020 or until all awards are distributed

Technical assistance is available to interested applicants through the Wyoming Office of Rural Health.

Events and Training Opportunities

The National Clinical Training Center for Family Planning is offering LARC Training in **Casper, Wyoming, January 30-31, 2020.**

Reserve your spot **TODAY**



NCTCFP

NATIONAL CLINICAL TRAINING CENTER FOR FAMILY PLANNING

The National Clinical Training Center is offering in-person training for long-acting reversible contraception (LARC), including intrauterine devices (IUD) and NEXPLANON®. **This training is offered at no cost to Title X providers.** Medical and Nursing credits are available. **Scholarships are available for interested providers.** Please ask anyone interested in a scholarship to contact Eighmey at eighmey.zeeck@wyo.gov or Brenda at brenda1@wypca.org. If they are eligible, we will send them the registration link along with the code to avoid the \$150.00 registration fee. Of course, providers are welcome to register directly for the training [here](#).

There is a room block reserved for those traveling to Casper at the Holiday Inn East on Granite Peak for \$91.00 a night.

Offered by the Center for Public Health Practice at the Colorado School of Public Health, this online training is free to participants from Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, and Wyoming. *Training takes place 1/22/2020-3/11/2020.*

[Register Here](#)



WYCOA Training Opportunities

Visit the [WYCOA Website](#) to learn more about the following opportunities.

- Care Coordination Certificates
- Geriatric Healthcare Internet Series
- UW ECHO in Geriatrics (returning in January 2020)

2020 Transforming Health Summit in Colorado



Hosted by Denver Health's LGBTQ Center of Excellence and Denver Public Health, the 3rd annual Transforming Health Summit is the first in Colorado to bridge clinical care, behavioral health, and public health to better serve transgender and gender diverse communities.

Students Encouraged to Enter Radon Poster Contest



The Wyoming Department of Health (WDH) encourages Wyoming students in grades 3-9 to enter a poster contest aimed at increasing awareness about radon and radon testing. "We know there is a lot of creativity out there among Wyoming youth. We want them to use their ideas and skills to help tell the story of radon and its risks," said Star Jones, outreach and education supervisor with the WDH Wyoming Cancer Program. Radon is an invisible, odorless, tasteless radioactive gas found in the soil that can sometimes reach dangerous levels in homes. The U.S. Surgeon General lists radon exposure as the second leading cause of lung cancer in the nation. "The only way to detect the amount of radon present in a home or other building is to test," Jones said. Entries will be divided into groups for grades 3-6 and grades 7-9. The top two winners from each group will receive gift

certificates: \$200 for first place; \$100 for second. Winning posters will be used in local advertisements. Teachers of winning students will each receive \$100 toward classroom supplies.

Students must choose from the following five topics for their posters:

1. What is radon?
2. Where does radon come from?
3. How does radon get into our homes?
4. Radon can cause lung cancer.
5. Test your home for radon.

The contest deadline is December 20.

More contest information, important artwork details and the required Artwork Submission Form is available at www.wyomingradon.org. Please mail submissions to Radon Poster Contest, Attn: Aaron Foxen, Wyoming Cancer Program, 6101 Yellowstone Road, Suite 510, Cheyenne, WY 82002.

Attn: RHC practice managers and providers

A free webinar series developed specifically for RHC practice managers and providers!

The attached [FLYER](#) outlines a free webinar series developed specifically for RHC practice managers and providers. The topics focus on financial and operational improvement strategies. The 30-minute free monthly webinars will be hosted by Lilypad and other subject matter experts in partnership with the

Use the [FLYER](#) to register today!
All webinars will begin 3:00 PM Eastern.

Telehealth Updates

RUS Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant Writing Workshop

WORKSHOP AGENDA



A free grant-writing training specific to telehealth grants is available!

- **When:** December 19th from 9:00am- 1:30pm.
- **Location:** WeWork Room 4A 2420 17th St., Denver, CO, 80202
- **To RSVP:** email dlemperle@ivci.com

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• DLT Grant Overview – the basics• Project Design• Objective Scoring• Organizations & Workflow Prioritization• Paperwork Requirements• DLT Worksheets• Needs & Benefits• Budget & Scope of Work | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Matching Funds Worksheet & Letter• Telecommunications Plan• Financial Information & Sustainability• Statement of Experience• Executive Summary• Putting it All Together• Post Submission |
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Call for Abstracts: Telehealth 20/20: New Perspectives, Innovation Insights and Expanded Vision of Care Delivery



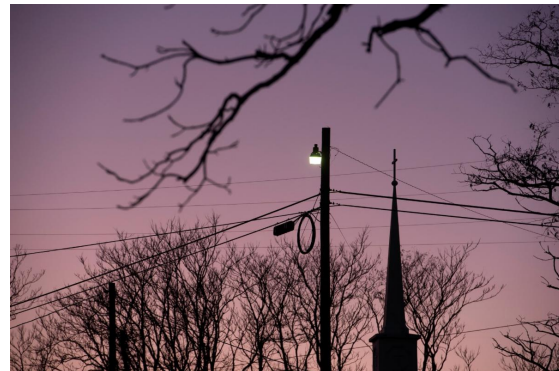
The Northwest Regional Telehealth Resource Center and its partner, the Telehealth Alliance of Oregon (TAO), invite you to participate in the NRTRC annual conference in Portland April 15-17, 2020 to discover innovations, build connections, learn from experts and more!

Oral Abstract submissions are due **January 21, 2020**.

Poster Abstract submissions are due **February 10, 2020**. To learn about abstract submission requirements, view the abstract submission guide [here](#).

The one-traffic-light town with some of the fastest internet in the U.S.

Broadband connectivity is a critical component of telehealth infrastructure. [Read](#) about how one town is changing its entire economic landscape by prioritizing a modern-day commodity that many of us take for granted: the internet.



Participate in mapping Wyoming's broadband coverage

Broadband coverage is critical to the implementation and utilization of telehealth in Wyoming's

rural communities. The Wyoming Business Council and its Wyoming State Broadband Program is working to map broadband coverage in Wyoming, and you can help! The Broadband Program is asking Wyoming residents to take the broadband speed test in order to contribute as many data points as possible to Wyoming's innovative [broadband map](#).

Take the Broadband Test today! Click [Here](#).

Jobs and Service Opportunities

ORH Seeking Americorp VISTA

The WY-ORH is seeking an Americorp Vista to join our team! If you, or someone you know, is interested in applying or learning more about this opportunity to serve rural Wyoming, please follow this [link](#) to the position application.

Wyoming in the News

How a rural Wyoming town is repurposing historic assets to spur local entrepreneurship

Read this [report](#) recently published by *Brookings* to learn more about the exciting things happening in Rawlins, WY.

Promising Practices

Kaiser Health News: 'Food Pharmacies' in Clinics: When the Diagnosis is Chronic Hunger

Food insecurity is on the minds of Wyomingites following the announcement of the Wyoming Hunger Initiative through the governor's office. [Read about](#) how healthcare facilities across the country are addressing the issue of food insecurity through innovative, on-site food pantries tailored to the needs of their patients.



Resources



Wyoming
Department
of Health

WDH Offers Specialized Support to Help Teens Quit Vaping

Click [here](#) to read the full press release.

America's Health Rankings 2019 Report puts Wyoming at #19

[View the full report](#) to see a breakdown of various health indicators, and to see how Wyoming ranks against neighbor states and national averages.



December issue of *Health Affairs* focuses on Rural Health

Click [here](#) to access the journal and feature articles on Rural Health.

New Report: Rural-Urban Disparities in Health Care in Medicare

Review this new report issued by Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services [here](#).

Dissemination of Rural Health Research: A Toolkit

Produced by the Rural Health Research Gateway, this toolkit is designed to assist researchers develop appropriate, timely, accessible, and applicable products as well as social media campaigns to get the word out about their work. The toolkit provides descriptions for multiple modes of dissemination, including: policy briefs, fact sheets, infographics, journal publications, poster presentations, chartbooks, PowerPoint presentations, working papers and reports, and promotional products. The toolkit, which is free and downloadable, also includes a brief discussion on the purpose of each product, which product is appropriate given the topic and intended audience, and how to format and design each product

[Text Link](#)

Sign up to receive news from the [Mountain Plains Mental Health Technology Transfer Center \(MHTCC\)](#)

Here is why you should consider [Joining the Listserv](#):

- Be the first to get information about free trainings and webinars
 - Learn about new products developed for working with rural populations
 - Access trainings and videos on: ACES, First Episode Psychosis, School Mental Health, Suicide Prevention, and more
 - Find out when new MP-MHTCC curriculum infusion packets, podcasts, and videos are released
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Rural Health Information Hub



About RHiHub: "The Rural Health Information Hub, formerly the Rural Assistance Center, is funded by the Federal Office of Rural Health Policy to be a national clearinghouse on rural health issues."-- RHiHub Website

RHiHub is a valuable resource for a large variety of rural relevant topics including funding opportunities, rural relevant research, and rural best practices.

Click on the logo to visit the RHiHub website.

Rural Health Research Gateway

Rural Health Research Gateway is a federally-funded Rural Health Research Center. Visit their [website](#) to learn more.

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