

# Rural Health Transformation Fund Overview

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Wyoming  
Department  
of Health

# Agenda

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1. What is the Rural Health Transformation Program?
  - Authorizing legislation
  - Funding estimates for Wyoming
2. Application process
  - Public engagement plan
  - Timeline
3. What we need from you
  - Rural health priorities
  - Strengths, weaknesses, opportunities

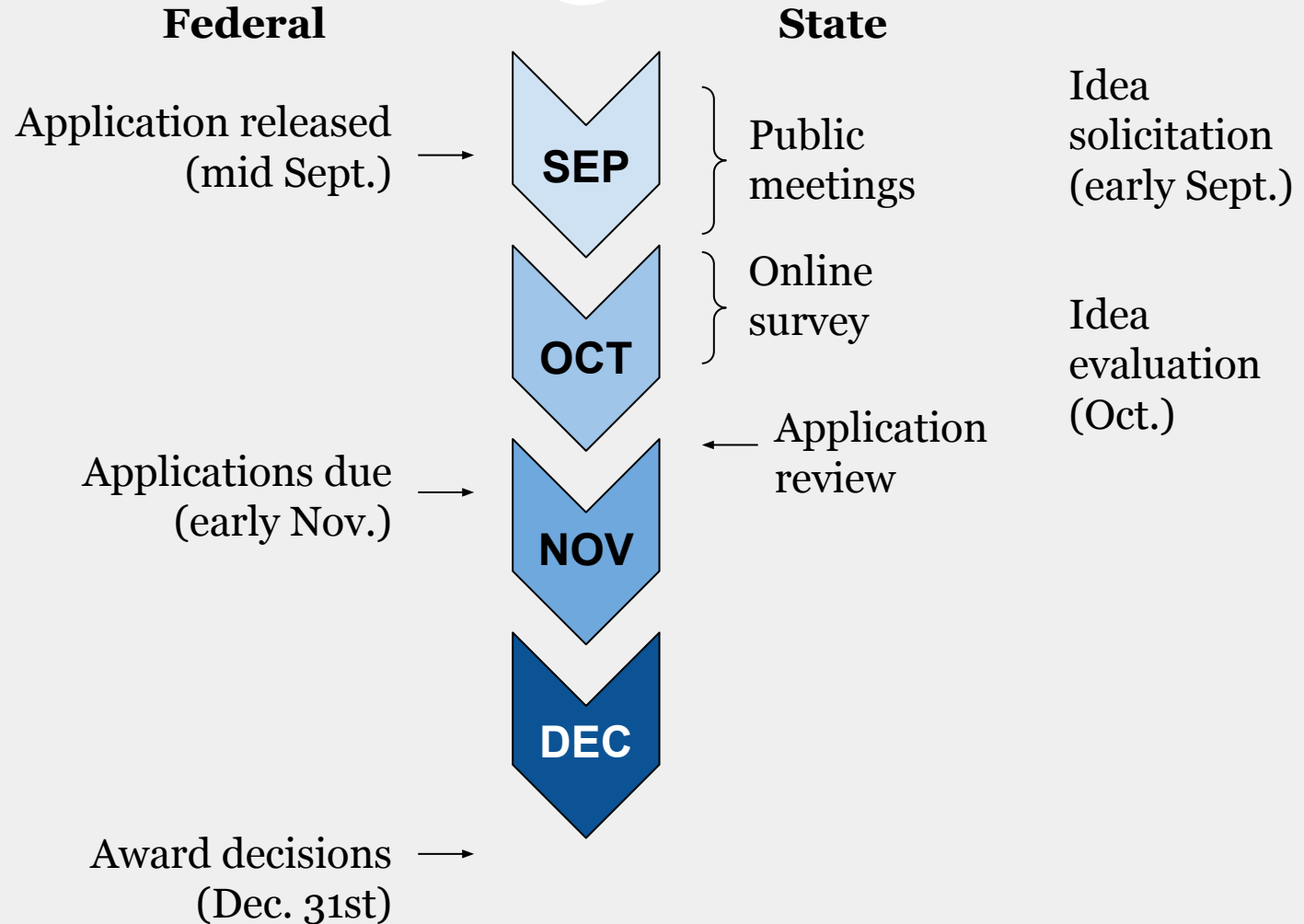
# Legislation

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- Section 71401 of H.R. 1, the “One Big Beautiful Bill Act” (OBBA, P.L. 119-21)
  - Wyoming could receive **\$500+ million** over the next five years, if our application is approved.
  - Applications are due in early November.
- **Purpose: Transform rural health care systems to make them more sustainable and improve people’s health.**

# Application timeline

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# Public engagement

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## ■ In-person public meetings

- 9/12 @ 12 pm - Newcastle (Weston County Library)
- 9/12 @ 6 pm- Wheatland (Platte Valley Bank)
- 9/18 @ 12 pm - Powell (City Council Chambers)
- 9/18 @ 7 pm - Buffalo (Bomber Mt. Center Small Gym)
- 9/30 @ 12 pm - Lander (Fremont County Library)
- 9/30 @ 6 pm - Evanston (Middle School Auditorium)
- 10/1 @ 12 pm - Saratoga (Platte Valley Comm. Center)
- 10/2 @ 6 pm - Laramie (UW Student Union)

# Public engagement

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## ■ Website

- <https://health.wyo.gov/admin/rural-health-transformation-program/>
- Will collect public comment here

## ■ Virtual meetings

- 9/23 @ 10 am
  - <https://meet.google.com/gqu-paht-diq>
  - (US) +1 302-307-2512 PIN: 120 291 436#
- 9/25 @ 2 pm
  - <https://meet.google.com/kvd-jvuj-trh>
  - (US) +1 567-318-2835 PIN: 308 348 722#

# Public engagement

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## ■ Online survey

- We want to get the survey questions right. Will use feedback from these meetings to do that.
- Goal is to rigorously define Wyoming's rural health care priorities.
- Link to survey will be posted in October on the website:  
<https://health.wyo.gov/admin/rural-health-transformation-program/>

# Public engagement

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## ■ Idea solicitation

- Letter sent to health association stakeholders in early September.
- Ideas due to the Department in early October.
- Department will evaluate all ideas according to a standard rubric and make recommendations to the Governor.