

**DHHS90994 Collaborative Care Grant Program ("CCGP")
Vendor Questions and Answers**

1. **Question:** A question by our group asked about whether you were to have an educational or orientation webinar? it might help with understanding basis for starting up new to the collaborative model as well as start up RFP and grant writing questions.

***Answer:** DHHS will be hosting a webinar to provide an overview of the funding opportunity and answer questions on Monday, August 15 from 10am-noon. The zoom joining information can be found below. A recording of the meeting will be posted on the DHHS grants website for those who are unable to attend.*

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://utah-gov.zoom.us/j/84620827163>

2. **Question:** I was hoping to get some clarification on who qualifies as a "Primary Care Physician"? Are there only certain licensures that would fall into this category?

***Answer:** Yes, the bill provides the following definitions for "Primary Care Physician" and "Physician."*

"Primary care physician" means a physician that provides health services related to family medicine, internal medicine, pediatrics, obstetrics, gynecology, or geriatrics.

"Physician" means an individual licensed to practice as a physician or osteopath under Title 58, Chapter 67, Utah Medical Practice Act, or Title 58, Chapter 68, Utah Osteopathic Medical Practice Act.

3. **Question:** The RGA specifies that CCM involves a primary care physician, a mental health professional, and a care manager. Could you offer definitions, degree/licensure/training requirements for each of those positions? Is it the same as the [CoCM Model care team definitions](#)?

***Answer:** Yes, the definitions provided in the link are accurate and are provided below.*

-Treating (Billing) Practitioner – A physician or non-physician practitioner (physician assistant or nurse practitioner); typically primary care, but may be of another specialty (for example, cardiology, oncology)

- Behavioral Health Care Manager – A designated individual with formal education or specialized training in behavioral health (including social work, nursing, or psychology), working under the oversight and direction of the billing practitioner

- Psychiatric Consultant – A medical professional trained in psychiatry and qualified to prescribe the full range of medications

- Patient – The patient is a member of the care team

4. **Question:** Do applicants need to already be practicing/billing for collaborative care to be eligible to apply?

***Answer:** No, these funds are not restricted to those currently practicing or billing for collaborative care services.*

5. **Question:** If an organization has several clinic sites, and not all are rural, or in need of this funding, could a single clinic site apply?

~~**Answer:** No, the funding is intended for standalone practices, not those that are a part of larger networks.~~

Correction to Answer: Yes, the funding is available to organizations with several clinic sites. A single clinic site can apply.

6. **Question:** Where can I find the recording of the Q&A session that was held on August 15th?

Answer: See the link to the recording [here](#).

7. **Question:** What level is a physician - can it be DNP or does it have to be a MD or DO?

Answer: Please see the response to question 3.

8. **Question:** How does the grant pay - by patient or expenses?

Answer: Each applicant selected to receive funding will contract with DHHS for the anticipated expenses as requested in the application.

9. **Question:** Is it only a 2 year grant that continues?

Answer: The funding period is October 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023. It is expected that these funds will be fully expended by June 30, 2023. However, the funds do not lapse at the end of state fiscal year 2023 and at the discretion of DHHS, the grant agreement may be amended to extend the grant agreement period and the unspent funds may be reallocated through June 30, 2024 in order to complete the requirements in the scope of work.

10. **Question:** Will there be partial awards for clinics that apply if the total requested funds from all applications exceeds the amount available?

Answer: The evaluation committee and DHHS will allocate funds based on the scores awarded to each application and the availability of funds. Some applicants may only receive a portion of the requested funds based on the availability of funding.

11. **Question:** Is there any flexibility for the application timeline?

Answer: There is no flexibility on the timeline.

12. **Question:** Would our agency be eligible for the program with many patients located in a 3rd-6th class county and rural area although the physical address is in Washington County (2nd class)?

Answer: Your clinic will be eligible, provided there are 10 or fewer primary care physicians at the clinic.