

NOSORH Webinar: Who, How and Why?

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Our Goal Today....

- * **COLLABORATION!**
 - * How can we work together?
 - * What information do you need from us?
 - * How can we keep you well-informed on our programmatic changes and priorities?
 - * 330a authorized programs
 - * Rural Healthcare Services Outreach Program
 - * Network Development Program
 - * Network Planning
 - * Delta States Network Program
 - * Small Healthcare Quality

New Approach with Programs

- * Programs have remained the same throughout the years
- * ORHP has taken a new approach with the programs
 - * Outcomes focused data
 - * Adopt a model proven to work
 - * Tracking performance data
 - * Demonstrating the impact made in rural

SORH Legislative Language

Authorization Language States:

- * “To be eligible to receive a grant, an eligible entity, in consultation with the appropriate State office of rural health or another appropriate State entity, shall prepare and submit an application.....

Current Language in Funding Opportunity

- * Applicants are required to notify the State Office of Rural Health (SORH) or other appropriate State government entities of their intent to apply to this program. A list of the SORHs can be accessed at <http://www.hrsa.gov/ruralhealth/about/directory/index.html>. Applicants must include a copy of the letter or email sent to the SORH, and any response to the letter that has been received, that was submitted to the SORH describing their project.

Moving Forward....

- * What are your thoughts on the language?
 - * Are there ways we can expand or clarify it?

- * Current Activities
 - * Webinars on funding opportunities
 - * Present information at regional, annual NOSORH mtg.
 - * Work with Hospital-State Division Project Officers

- * Future Activities
 - * What else should we do?
 - * How can we work with SORHs pre and post funding?