



# Delta Healthcare Services Grant

## What does this program do?

It provides financial assistance to address the continued unmet health needs in the Delta Region through cooperation among healthcare professionals, institutions of higher education, research institutions, and other entities in the Delta Region. Grants are awarded through a national competition. Each fiscal year, applications are requested through a Notice published in the **Federal Register** and through an announcement posted on **Grants.gov**.

## Who may apply for this program?

To apply for a grant, you must be a consortium of the following: regional institutions of higher education, academic health and research institute, and/or economic development entities located within the Delta Region. Individuals are not eligible for this program.

### How may funds be used?

Grant funds must be used for the development of healthcare services, health education programs, healthcare job training programs, or the development and expansion of public health-related facilities in the Delta region.

### How do we get started?

You need to read the Federal Register notice for the details on what is needed for an application. Make sure you start putting together the required information at least a month before the application deadline because you may need to provide letters of commitment or support from other organizations, a work plan and budget, and other information that will take you some time to look up or write. You will also need to fill out required forms. You can get copies of those forms from your **nearest Rural Development office**.

### Will I need to send any reports if I receive a grant?

If you receive a grant, you will need to send regular financial and performance reports. Your grant agreement will tell you how often you need to send the reports, what forms you need to use, and what information you need to put in the reports.

### Who can answer questions?

This program does not have its own regulation, so all of the details about the program are published in a Federal Register notice each year. If the notice has not been published yet for this year or if you have questions, you can contact your **nearest Rural Development office** to get a copy of last year's notice to get an idea of how the application process works. However, there may be changes each year to the application process, so make sure you read the most current notice before you apply.

NOTE: Because citations and other information may be subject to change please always consult the program instructions listed in the section above titled "What Law Governs this Program?" You may also contact **your local office** for assistance. You will find additional forms, resources, and program information at [www.rd.usda.gov](http://www.rd.usda.gov). *USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer, and lender.*