

**Small Health Care Provider Quality Improvement (SHCPQI) Grant Program**

Office of Rural Health Policy, Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)

<http://ruralhealth.hrsa.gov/funding/SHCPQI.asp>

The purpose of the Office of Rural Health Policy's Small Health Care Provider Quality Improvement Grant Program (SHCPQI) is to assist rural providers with the implementation of quality improvement strategies, while improving patient care and chronic disease outcomes. Improving the quality of chronic disease management in ambulatory care settings can improve health indicators and decrease emergency room visits and admissions to hospitals. SHCPQI will focus on quality improvement for chronic diseases, i.e., diabetes mellitus and cardiovascular disease.

**DEADLINE:** *The application due date is March 15, 2010.*

Eligibility	Funding	Requirements	Additional Information
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Applicants must meet one of the three requirements:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) located in a rural area, as determined by eligible rural county or census tracts, and all services must be provided in a rural country or census tract</li> <li>2) applicant must exist exclusively to provide services to migrant and seasonal farm workers in rural areas and is supported under Section 330(g) of the Public Health Service Act</li> <li>3) applicant is a tribal government whose grant-funded activities will be conducted within their Federally-recognized Tribal area</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The program will provide funding from 2010 through 2012.</li> <li>• Approximately \$6,000,000 is expected to be available annually to 60 grantees.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The ultimate goal of SHCPQI is to improve patient health outcomes through enhanced chronic disease management in rural health care settings by:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. utilizing a patient registry system</li> <li>2. tracking and reporting specific health indicators using nationally accepted clinical measures</li> <li>3. assessing the need for quality improvement and developing additional performance measures</li> <li>4. participating in technical assistance through peer learning workshops with fellow SHCPQI Program grantees, facilitated by a quality improvement specialist.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The application due date is March 15, 2010, and HRSA is requiring applicants to apply electronically at <a href="http://Grants.gov">Grants.gov</a>.</li> <li>• The full announcement can be found <a href="#">here</a>.</li> <li>• For more information about this program or for technical assistance, contact Elizabeth Rezai-Zadeh, SHCPQI Grant Program Coordinator, at 301-443-4107 or at <a href="mailto:erezai@hrsa.gov">erezai@hrsa.gov</a>.</li> </ul>