



**Community College Consortia to Educate HIT Professionals in Health Care Program**

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

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The program is designed to provide loans for funding, on a technology neutral basis, the costs of construction, improvement and acquisition of facilities and equipment to provide broadband services to eligible rural communities. The Programs’ goal is to ensure that rural consumers enjoy the same quality and range of telecommunications services that are available in urban and suburban communities.

**DEADLINE:** *The application due date is January 22, 2010. (The letter of intent due date is January 6, 2010.)*

Eligibility	Funding	Requirements	Additional Information
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Community Colleges or “institutions of higher education” as defined by section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965. Any university that applies must also be engaged in providing training in Health Information Technology. The lead awardee will also need to provide a list of the Community Colleges in the consortia that will receive funding through the project as sub-awardees.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Five awards are anticipated for total funding of \$70,000,000.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Detailed requirements can be found in the full announcement.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A link to the full announcement can be found here:  <a href="http://healthit.hhs.gov/portal/server.pt/gateway/PTARGS_0_11673_909400_0_0_18/CC_FOA_120409_final.doc">http://healthit.hhs.gov/portal/server.pt/gateway/PTARGS_0_11673_909400_0_0_18/CC_FOA_120409_final.doc</a> </li> </ul>

