



American Hospital Association
Section for Small or Rural Hospitals

Rural Hospital Leadership Team Award



2019 Application

The Rural Hospital Leadership Team Award from the **AHA Section for Small or Rural Hospitals** honors the *leadership team* who have guided their hospital and community through transformational change on the road to health care reform. The team will have displayed outstanding leadership and responsiveness to the

community's health needs and demonstrated a collaborative community process that has led to measureable outcomes.

The team, as represented by its president, CEO or administrator, will receive a **stipend for 2019 of \$1,500** to defray the team representative's expenses to attend the AHA Rural Leadership Conference in Phoenix or the AHA Annual Meeting in Washington, DC. The AHA will work with the honoree and finalists to provide national recognition of their achievements through media releases and announcements and feature stories in our national media channels.

Eligibility: Applicants must be *reflective of the hospital leadership team* including a member from the hospital board, chief executive officer, president or administrator and at least one other member of hospital leadership from an AHA-member hospital located in a rural area. We encourage applications from hospitals that demonstrate they are measuring and responding to their community's health needs.

We request a description of your efforts on one or more of the following initiatives:

- Coordinated care
- Improved population health
- Clinical integration
- Alternate payment methods
- Advances in access to care/telehealth
- Extended or expanded access to coverage and
- Improved outcomes

Central to all these efforts and important to your application is evidence of community engagement and measureable outcomes.

**Applications must be submitted by Aug. 31, 2019
Award recipient and finalists are notified in November**

Application Requirements

All applications should be accompanied by the following supportive data:

- Leadership team bios – board member, CEO, and another or more
- A letter of no more than three pages that clearly describes the leadership team’s assessment of needs, response and outcomes
- Letters of endorsement from community leaders are not required, but accepted
- Please include:
 - A brief description of the applicant’s hospital and community
 - Examples of one or more targeted programs that respond to community health needs
 - Evidence of collaboration with community leaders, physicians and others
 - Evidence of success and sustainability of the program or programs in the hospital or community

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Please complete this form and return with all supporting documentation.

APPLY TODAY!

Leadership Team Contact (First, Middle, Last)	Title
Name of Hospital	
Address of Hospital	
City, State, Zip Code	
E-Mail Address	
Business Telephone	

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