Limited Submissions

Sponsor: Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)
Program: Evidence-Based Tele-Behavioral Health Network Program

Estimated Award Amount: $1,050,000
JHU Nomination Limit: 1

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Opportunity Summary:
This notice solicits applications for the Evidence-Based Tele-Behavioral Health Network Program (EB-THNP). The two-fold purpose of this program is to use telehealth networks to increase access to behavioral health care services in rural and frontier communities and to conduct evaluations of those efforts to establish an evidence-base for assessing the effectiveness of tele-behavioral health care for patients, providers, and payers. The program presents an opportunity to address two clinical priorities: mental health and substance abuse (particularly the opioid abuse epidemic).

A telehealth network consists of a series of originating sites receiving services from a collaborating distant site. For the purposes of this NOFO, telehealth is defined as the use of electronic information and telecommunication technologies to support and promote long-distance clinical health care, patient and professional health-related education, public health and health administration.

While the Evidence-Based Tele-Behavioral Health Network Program seeks to expand access to services for rural patients, its primary goal is to significantly contribute to the evidence base for assessing the effectiveness of tele-behavioral health care services for patients, providers, and payers. This will be accomplished through collaboration and systematic data collection by the awardees and analysis by HRSA's TelehealthFocused Rural Health Research Center recipient.

Eligibility & Requirements:

- Applicants should have a successful track record in implementing telehealth technology and have a network of partners in place and committed to the project as of the date of application.
- Signed Memoranda of Agreement from those network partners committed to the proposed project must be included in the application. Applicants failing to submit verifiable information with respect to the commitment of network partners, including specific roles, responsibilities, and clinical services to be provided, will not be funded.
- Applicants who receive funding from HRSA for this program but fail to bring on board network partners as indicated in their application may receive a reduction in award in future funding years.
- Applicants who do not have the necessary assurances and infrastructure to provide de-identified patient clinical and cost data, and associated control data will not be considered for funding.

Internal Nomination Process:
Interested applicants should submit the following documents:

1. JHU Limited Submission Cover Sheet
2. Proposal (maximum of two pages of text only, single spaced: 12-pt font and one-inch margins)  
   (Note: figures, tables, and other reference material may be included in addition to the 2 pg. text limit)
3. Curriculum Vitae of investigator, including current external research support and publications
4. Budget (two pages maximum)

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