



Key Resources on the Rural Health Transformation Program (RHTP)

In response to concerns from Members of Congress regarding the impact of the One Big Beautiful Bill's (H.R. 1) Medicaid cuts on their constituents, the final measure contained the [Rural Health Transformation Program \(RHTP\)](#). The RHTP provides \$50 billion in grants to states over five years (2026 through 2030) to support rural health care access and delivery, including—but not limited to—chronic disease management and prenatal care, workforce development, alternative payment models, and technology innovation.

In November 2025, all 50 states [submitted](#) detailed applications to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) to receive RHTP funding. The District of Columbia and U.S. territories were not eligible. In December 2025, CMS announced that it would [award](#) funding to all 50 states and released state-specific award amounts. As for the funding structure, \$10 billion is available for RHTP grants each year, from fiscal year (FY) 2026 through FY 2030. **Each year, half of the funding is distributed equally among states receiving RHTP grants, and the other half is awarded based on state-specific criteria.**

Below are key resources providing additional background on the program, along with state-specific updates.

KEY RESOURCES	
State Project Abstracts/ State Spotlights (CMS)	<i>Includes the original RHTP grant application abstracts submitted by states to CMS, outlining how each state intends to use its award. Also includes high-level “state spotlight” slides created by CMS summarizing each state’s RHTP application and FY 26 award amount.</i>
NHRA RHTP State Tracking Guide (National Rural Health Association, NHRA)	<i>Includes a 50-state overview of how each state is designing and initially budgeting its RHTP award. Each state profile includes links to the relevant state-administered RHTP webpage, where additional state-specific updates and developments can be found.</i>
Ongoing RHTP Funding Updates (Rural Health Information Hub)	<i>Includes an active bulletin with new resources related to RHTP funding with an ability to filter by state. To view RHTP funding opportunities only, click “Narrow By Type” and then check the box for “RHTP Funding List.”</i>
Pre-Application Resources (NHRA)	<i>Includes resources related to RHTP the pre-application process, such as the CMS Notice Of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) summaries, state NOFO submissions tracking resources, and CMS FAQs on the NOFO.</i>
Application Resources (NHRA)	<i>Includes resources related to RHTP Program applications, including application scoring factsheets, tracking systems for state applications, state application guides, and application data resources.</i>