

Request for Proposals from Ohio's HHS Agencies for Health Transformation Innovation Fund Awards

The purpose of the Health Transformation Innovation Fund is to invest a little to save a lot and improve services. To date, the HHS Cabinet has awarded \$34.2 million to 42 projects (2011-2016). Only projects that are recommended and sponsored by a cabinet director are considered for funding.

For the next round of Innovation Fund awards, funding will be made available for projects of not more than three years duration. Proposals will be reviewed by the HHS Cabinet and awards will be announced in January 2014.

Health Transformation Innovation Fund Proposals must:

- Address one or more of the following policy priorities: (1) modernize Medicaid; (2) pay for health care value instead of volume; (3) coordinate programs for children; (4) align workforce programs; and/or (5) streamline health and human services, including shared services.
- Include narrative that: (1) describes the activities to be funded; (2) demonstrates alignment with one or more of the policy priorities above; (3) describes how outcomes will be measured, tracked and reported throughout the project; and (4) highlights the specific outcome measures that will be used to demonstrate return on investment, in terms of savings for taxpayers or better outcomes for citizens.
- Include a budget that: (1) shows projected expenditures of awarded funds on an annual basis; (2) the amount and source of any additional funds contributing to the project; (3) an indication if any of the activities may be eligible for Medicaid reimbursement; and (4) identification of any costs that will be ongoing at the end of the award period and narrative stating how such costs will be sustained.
- Be submitted by the proposing HHS department director(s) not later than December 18, 2013 to greg.moody@governor.ohio.gov.