

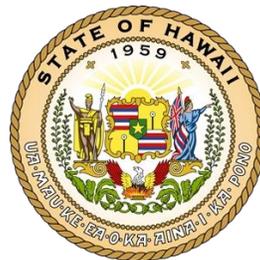
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Rural Health Transformation Project

What is RHTP?

- A CMS grant designed to support rural communities transform the healthcare delivery ecosystem.
- \$189 Million Dollars (per year) awarded to the State of Hawai'i for five years.
- Divided into 6 initiatives (RHIN, RICA, Pili Ola, Home Run, Rural Respite Network, RVBI)

Why it Matters for AHEAD

- Rural providers often lack the scale, infrastructure, and financial flexibility needed to participate successfully in value-based payment arrangements such as AHEAD without additional support.

What Hawai'i Requested

- **Initiative 6, RVBI** – This competitive fund will enable rural providers to adopt care models and succeed under the AHEAD model by financing local value-based innovations. This may include support for quality reporting, advanced analytics, practice transformation coaching, hiring staff, etc. This includes hospitals, independent providers, and Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC).

Status

- SHPDA was awarded RHTP funding. Collaborating with Med-QUEST and DOH on planning and procurements.
- Working closely with the Governors office to coordinate with other initiatives.



AHEAD Timeline

Activity	2024 - 2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031-2035
AHEAD Model Period	Pre-Implementation/Planning Period		Performance Period			
Hospital Global Budgets			Medicare FFS HGBs Starts 1/1/28			
			Implementation Period	Medicaid HGB Starts 1/1/29		
				Commercial HGB (at least one payer) Starts 1/1/29		
Primary Care AHEAD			Medicaid Advance Primary Care Program Starts 1/1/28			
			Medicare and Commercial Primary Care AHEAD Starts 1/1/28			

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