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**ILLINOIS HEALTH AND HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION
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SUBJECT: Grant Opportunity: Rural Communities Opioid Response Program
Webinar May 27

On May 12, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration Federal Office of Rural Health Policy (FORHP) announced a grant opportunity for rural entities addressing substance use disorders (SUDs), including opioid use disorder (OUD). Grant recipients will receive up to \$200,000 over an 18-month period to conduct a series of planning activities, engage multi-sector consortiums, and participate in the Rural Communities Opioid Response Program-Planning (RCORP-Planning) learning collaborative.

Eligible applicants include all domestic public or private, non-profit or for-profit entities, including faith-based and community-based organizations. Eligible applicants must serve rural communities at the highest risk for SUD and meet certain RCORP-Planning specifications. Entities that have previously received RCORP-Planning, Implementation, and Medication-Assisted Treatment Expansion awards are still eligible, but they must be able to clearly demonstrate that there is no duplication of effort between the proposed project and previous RCORP projects.

Applications are due July 13, and additional application information can be found [here](#). FORHP will hold a webinar for entities interested in applying on Wednesday, May 27 at 2:00pm CT: Call-in number: 1-888-469-0646; Participant code: 4761843; [Weblink](#). A recording of the webinar will be made available for those that cannot attend.