

SHIP Grant Activity Options Webinar

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SHIP Grant Program began in 2002 to help small, rural hospitals meet the costs of implementing PPS data systems.



SHIP Grant assists hospitals that

- are rural, non-Federal, short-term acute care facilities
- staff 49 beds or less (License limit or Medicare Cost Report, Part I of Worksheet S-3)



Current SHIP Grant Year

September 1, 2013 – August 31, 2014



September 1 — Grant funding received; grant agreements prepared; project period begins	March
October	April
November	May
December	June 30
January	July
February	August 31 - Project period ends



Formal grant agreements are signed by the

Office of Primary Care and Rural Health

(OPCRH) and each participating hospital.



Once the grant agreement is fully executed

(signed by the hospital CEO, the State Health

Officer, and the Governor), the hospital is

ready to make its SHIP purchases.



Priority Activities for 2013 – 2014

- CAHs only Medicare Beneficiary Quality Improvement Project (MBQIP)
- 2. HCAHPS training, software, implementation
- 3. ICD-10 training, software, implementation



Add'l Approved Activities for 2013 – 2014

- 4. Efficiency Training (Six Sigma, LEAN, etc.)
- CPOE, Pharmaceutical Operations (projects/ systems), Disease Registry Connectivity
- 6. Nurse staffing consultation
- 7. White boards for in-patient rooms
- 8. Telemedicine connectivity costs/fees
- 9. Community paramedicine equipment/training
- 10. Chargemaster review costs
- 11. FIN data mining benchmarking costs



Grant Procedures:

- 1. Activity must be pre-approved
- 2. Hospital purchases goods or services
- 3. Hospital submits reimbursement request consisting of:
 - A. Completed and signed reimbursement form
 - B. Copy of purchase invoice
 - C. Copy of the payment check



DEADLINE to file for reimbursement – June 30, 2014

BUT purchases may cover entire grant period September 1, 2013, through August 31, 2014

Example – Can be reimbursed for HCAHPS for full grant period, including July and August, but must pay for them first and submit reimbursement request by June 30



Penalties for failure to use funding –

You **cannot** be allowed to participate in the subsequent grant year!

Result – \$15,000 lost - this year's grant AND next year's grant



Next Year's Activities — This year's PLUS

- 1. Baldridge or systems performance training
- 2. Quality Health Indicator (QHi)
- 3. S-10 Cost Reporting Improvements (reporting uncompensated care)



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- 4. ED Transfer Communication Improvement
- 5. Readmission and/or Infection Reduction Training
- 6. Medical Provider QI
- 7. Telemedicine or mobile health equipment
- 8. Community Paramedicine equipment or training
- 9. HIE subscription
- (#4 9 to reduce readmission rate over last year)



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Hospital applications are generally

completed in January – February for

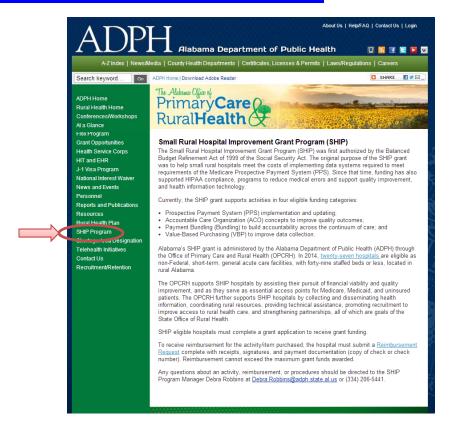
subsequent grant funding

(September 1 – August 31)



OPCRH website, SHIP web page -

www.adph.org/ruralhealth and click on SHIP







Questions?

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Consider combining "Questions" and "Contact Info" slides. This slide will be displayed when you finish talking and throughout questions and answers. It gives them time to write down contact info, if they need to.

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