

SB 200 Grant Criteria Questions - DRAFT

General Information

- Grant Type - Please select the type of grant project(s) you are proposing and provide an executive summary of the proposal, sharing a concise overview of the problem you are trying to solve and your solution. Note that SB22-200 includes limited funds in two primary categories, affordability and access. These categories and related project types align with the advisory committee’s identified grant buckets (infrastructure, equipment, technology, and access). Types of grant projects are outlined below:

Access	Affordability
New or replacement hospital beds	Shared analytics/care coordination platforms
Expand sites for specialty care (chemotherapy, imaging, BH care)	Telehealth/e-consult enabling technologies
Remote monitoring systems	Other
Extended hours including primary care and behavioral health	
Dual track ED management	
Telemedicine	
Long-term care and recovery care in skilled nursing facilities	
Other	

- Budget – Each grant applicant should provide a budget for their project, but a sophisticated budget is not required (this item will not be weighted, only scored “met” or “not met”). Please provide your budget proposal including:
 - Total funds requested
 - A budget narrative providing an overview of the funds requested
 - As appropriate please provide budget details for the following:
 - Direct expenses: Salaries/wages, fringe benefits, equipment, travel, materials/supplies, construction, consultants/contracts
 - Indirect expenses
 - Other (please outline).

- Is your organization leveraging other income or grants to complete this project? Yes or No (Note that this item will not impact budget scoring but simply helps to inform the review committee of overall resources needed to fulfill your project)
 - If yes, explain what other resources will support your project.
- Projected Timeline
 - Please provide the project start date and anticipated completion date. Note, all ARPA funds must be spent by grantees by December 31, 2026. HCPF anticipates lump sum disbursements by July 2023.
- Diversity, Equity and Inclusion. DEI policies promote equity and accessibility of all services, increase equal opportunity for services, and improved relations among all persons regardless of age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage/civil partnership, pregnancy/maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation.
 - Does the hospital have an EDI strategy? If yes, please describe it.
 - For access projects: How are diverse community needs met by this project?

Age of plant/equipment (for capital investment projects only)

- What is the current age of the plant or equipment you are seeking to upgrade or replace with these grant funds?
- For a plant upgrade, are there more recent plant updates at the facility? If yes, provide details regarding these upgrades (type and age).
- Describe the accounting methodology used to determine the age of plant.

Financial health

- Legislative intent focuses on facilities with lower patient revenues or fund balance “as determined by rule” so we have some flexibility.
 - HCPF has 3 -year average patient revenue and reserves balance information and would like to use this data as a starting place.
 - i. We need a standard approach to this evaluation/scoring methodology, offering applicants an opportunity to provide supplemental information.*
 - ii. Where do we draw the line/how do we score? (to get to a more narrow list of facilities in financial need)*

Impact to affordability & access (depending on the grant category some of these criteria will not be required)

- Statement of Need. The needs statement outlines the underlying problem your application is addressing. This is sometimes referred to as the problem statement.
 - Please describe the need in the community that your proposal seeks to address, clarifying the problem in terms of resources and/or capacity challenges.
 - Why is addressing this problem important to your organization and to the community?

- If specific populations are supported by this proposal, please indicate what populations this will help/improve access for.
 - What is the expected change that you anticipate due to the project? How will the community be impacted?
- Sustainability. This refers to how the project's goals/objectives will be sustained over the long-term once grant resources are expended.
 - How does this proposal support the community in the long term?
 - For access category projects: Once the funds are exhausted, what is the sustainability plan to maintain the project's impact to access/affordability?
 - For infrastructure, technology, and equipment projects, will this project require additional phases to fully meet community needs? If yes, please provide details.
- Access to specialty care (Per SB22-200 this includes surgical care, chemotherapy centers, imaging/advanced imaging including MRI and computerized tomography scans, and behavioral health)
 - Does the proposal increase access to specialty care? If yes, what specialty care is enhanced and how?
- Care referral supports
 - Does the proposal improve care referrals? If yes, how?
 - Please explain what organizations you will collaborate with to support care referrals and how.
 - Describe how your project's framework will help to ensure the community has access to care locally.
- Partner engagement
 - If applicable, what partners are engaged in/supporting this proposal? And please name your partners in the response with information regarding the role you expect them to play in the project.