

2007/2008 Flex & SHIP Update

- Federal application status
- Rural Strategic Plan Update
- Community Partner Outreach Grants
- Improving Emergency Cardiac & Stroke Patient Flow to Referral Hospitals
- High Definition ER video Tele-medicine for CAHs
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Federal application status

- Both SHIP & Flex grant applications have been submitted.
- We expect to receive notice of SHIP grant award in August.
- Flex notice may be delayed.
- Drafting of grantee contracts to follow.

Rural Strategic Plan

Purpose Statements

1. Delineate the core health care (and population health?) services that should be available/provided locally in rural communities,
2. Propose organizational models by which these services can be delivered effectively and efficiently,
3. Identify the resources and infrastructure necessary to bring about and support the transformation of the rural health care system, including changes in payment and public policy, and
4. Propose approaches for implementing these changes.

Guiding Principle: Services should be provided as close to the community as possible, whenever they can be delivered efficiently, safely, and at a high level of quality.

RURAL STRATEGIC PLANNING STEERING COMMITTEE

- **Committee Members:**
- **Vic Dirksen** (Chair) – CEO, Jefferson Healthcare, Port Townsend
- **John Anderson MD** - Family Practitioner, Ellensburg
- **Bill Dowling**, - Professor, University of Washington
- **Joan Glover** – Board Member, Kittitas Valley Community Hospital, Ellensburg
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- **Melissa Waddell** - Executive Assistant, WSHA
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- **Mike Lee**, Critical Access Hospital Program Manager, Office of Community and Rural Health

Grants available to hospitals

Community Partner Outreach Grants

- \$3000/hospital
- In response to a federal perception that CAHs tend to “stand alone” and need to integrate more with their own community

Improving Emergency Cardiac & Stroke Patient Flow to Referral Hospitals

- Expansion and replication of work currently occurring at Lincoln Hospital, in Davenport
- To reduce the time from Acute Myocardial Infarction arrival in your Emergency Room to catheter insertion and dye injection at the nearest Cath Lab. (Alternative focus = Stroke Patient transfers)
- ~\$40,000 available state-wide

High Definition ER video Tele-medicine for CAHs

- To reduce the number of unnecessary trauma transports and improve care for rural patients by providing more rapid access to trauma specialist consultation.
- ~\$20,000 available state-wide

Calendar/Key dates

- **August 31** – Work on your current (2006-2007 cycle) SHIP and Flex grants must be complete.
- **September 28** – Deadline for returning your billing form to us for reimbursement.
- **Start Date** for the next (2007 – 2008) grant cycle – After you’ve signed the final contract and returned it to our Contracts Division and the contract officer signs it. (The effective start date is the day the contract officer signs.)

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