



State Offices of Rural Health Grant Update

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Overview



- FY 09 is 19th year of SORH Grant Program!
 - ORHP's *first* and longest running grant program
- SORH aligns with ORHP mission
 - Where the rubber meets the road!
- Total Federal appropriations for SORH will exceed \$100M by FY 10
- ~\$300M in State matching funds leveraged for rural
- First SORH appropriation in FY 91 - \$1.6M
- Appropriation increased in FY 02 to \$7.0M
- FY 09 (\$9.2M) first significant increase since FY 02
 - Most SORHs received award of \$167K
- Potential for awards to reach \$170K in FY 10!



	SORH	
FY	Approp. \$M	Cumulative
91	1.6	1.6
92	2	3.6
93	2.5	6.1
94	2.8	8.9
95	2.8	11.7
96	2.8	14.5
97	2.8	17.3
98	2.8	20.1
99	2.7	22.8
2000	2.7	25.5
2001	3.8	29.3
2002	7	36.3
2003	8.445	44.745
2004	8.4	53.145
2005	8.321	61.466
2006	8.223	69.689
2007	8.223	77.912
2008	7.998	85.91
2009	9.2	95.11
2010 *	9.45	104.56
Total	104.56	



FY 09 Appropriation / Awards



- \$1.2M increase from FY 08
- \$1.0M increase in amount for grants
- \$60K increase NOSORH CA (to \$360K)
- \$17.2K increase for 44 SORHs
- \$167,200 most common award
- FY 10:
 - Increase of \$450K over FY 09
 - Level funding for SORHs
 - Awards could exceed FY 09 amounts
 - May request \$150K - \$170K



ORHP Budget



Rural Health Programs (in \$ millions)	FY 2008 Approp	FY 2009 Omnibus	FY 2009 Recovery Act	FY 2010 President's Budget Request
Rural Health Policy Development	\$8,584	\$9,700	-	\$9,700
Rural Health Outreach Grants	\$48,031	\$53,900	-	\$55,450
Rural & Community Access to Emergency Devices	\$1,461	\$1,751	-	\$1,751
Rural Hospital Flexibility Grants	\$37,865	\$39,200	-	\$39,200
Delta Health Initiative	\$24,563	\$26,000	-	-
State Offices of Rural Health	\$7,999	\$9,201	-	\$9,450
Denali Project	\$38,597	\$19,642	-	-
Radiogenic Diseases	\$1,884	\$1,952	-	\$1,952
Black Lung	\$5,788	\$7,200	-	\$7,200
CAHs to SNFs and Assisted Living Facilities	\$5,000	-	-	-
Subtotal, Office of Rural Health Policy	\$179,772	\$168,546	-	\$124,703
Public Health Improvement	\$304,475	\$310,470	-	-
Tele-health	\$6,700	\$7,550	-	\$8,200
Program Management	\$141,087	\$142,024	-	\$147,052



Carry Over Issue



- FY 02 closeout *returned* \$1.5M to Treasury!
- FY 06 un-obligated ~\$1.2M
- FY 07 un-obligated ~ 826K
- FY 08 un-obligated ~ \$600K
 - 31 SORHs had un-obligated funds
 - 16 over \$10K (includes 6 over \$25K & 6 over \$50K)
 - May impact FY 10 awards (offset)
- FY 09 un-obligated – will trend continue?
- NOSORH survey done on main reasons for carryover
- Un-obligated funds *must* be carried forward into FY 09
 - Request due by December 1, 2009
 - Must obligate by June 30, 2010
- GMO policy requires *mandatory* off-set of FY 10 awards if FY 08 funds not carried forward



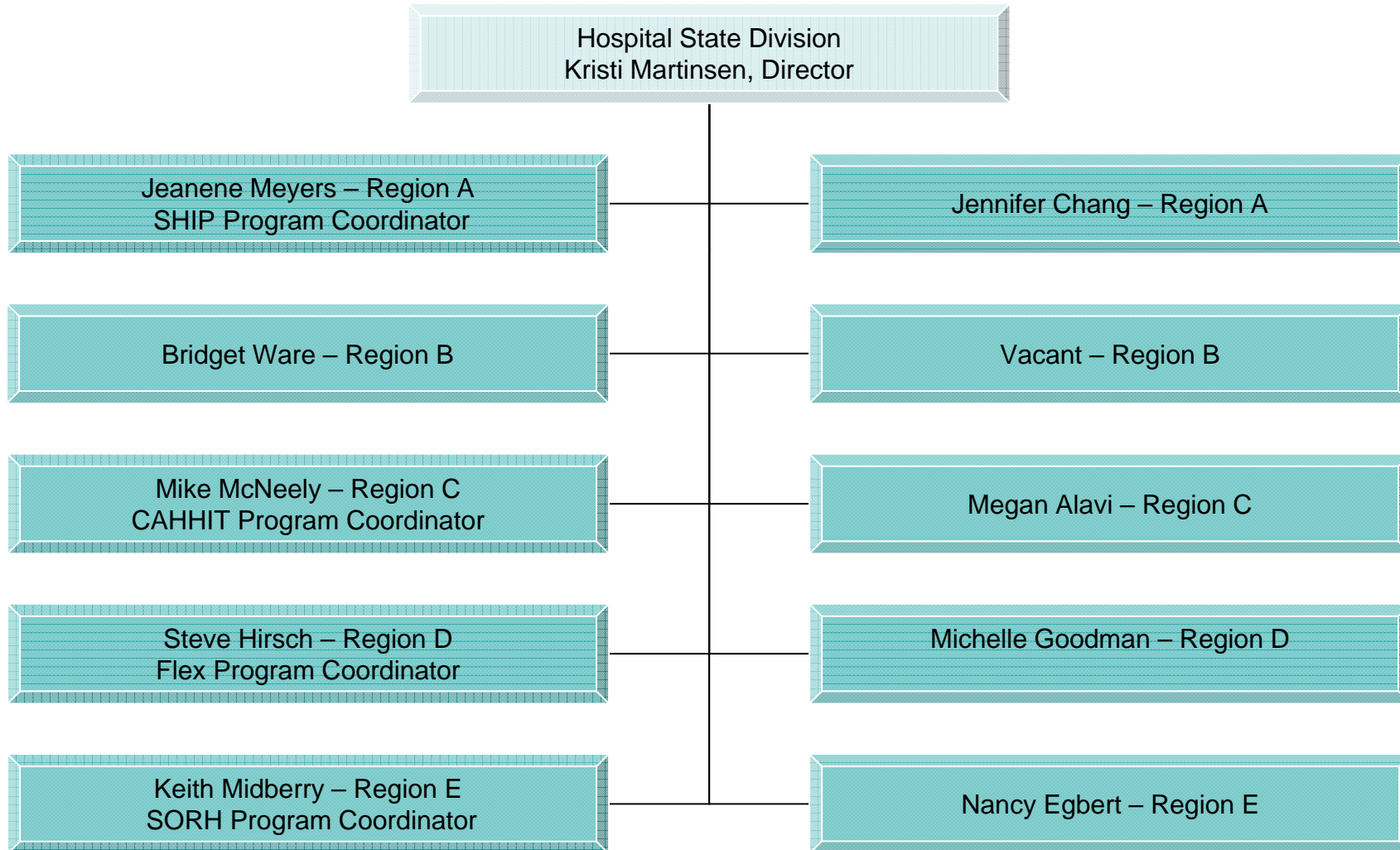
PIMS



- FY 08 data on TA and unduplicated clients submitted via EHB Sep. 09
- Improvement over old GPRA measures
- Blinded results sent to all SORHs for review
- Wide variation, no value in calculating *average*
- TA number expected to be higher than clients
- Some confusion *affiliated* versus *non-affiliated* clients
- After discussion with RL, input may be revised
- Several SORHs counted web hits and newsletters as *direct* TA
- Modify collection instrument as needed
- Collect same way during FY 09, watch trend
- Webinar will be scheduled to discuss further



HSD Organizational Chart





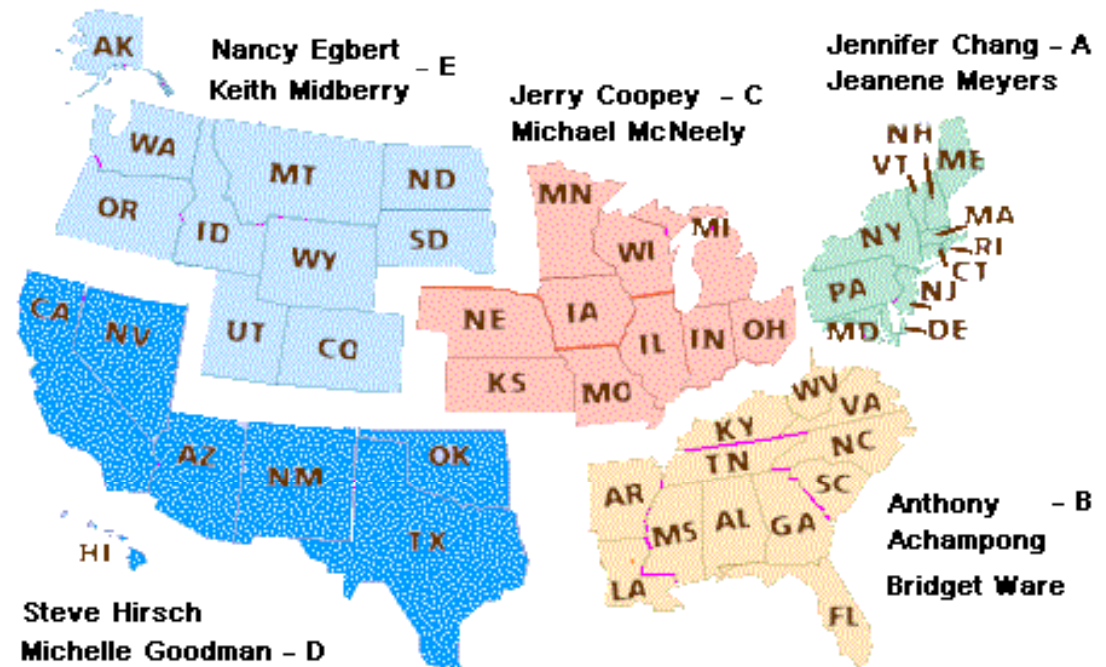
Hospital-State Division



- Programs
 - State Office of Rural Health Grants
 - Rural Hospital Flexibility Grants
 - Small Hospital Improvement Grants

- 2009 Focus
 - Empowering Flex Grantees and Flex Project Officers
 - Recruiting & Retention

Regional Liaison Map





Required Meetings



- Guidance requires applicant to list meetings attended since last application and reasons for non-attendance
- State travel restrictions impact growing number SORHs
- ORHP will send letters, contact state if requested
- Four required meetings as condition of award:
 1. NRHA Annual Meeting Savannah, GA (May 2010)
 2. SORH Regional Meetings (May - Sep. 2010)
 3. SORH Grantee / NOSORH Annual meeting
- site TBD for joint meeting fall 2010
- SORH funds can be used for non-required meetings (i.e. NRHA Policy Institute, NRHA CAH conference)
- Guidance requires list of meetings attended



Common Application Errors



- ~60% contained budget related errors
- SF 424A Budget form
 - info in wrong columns
 - did not include state matching funds
- Budget Justification Narrative
 - lacked detail
 - did not discuss state matching funds
 - did not discuss subcontract deliverables
- Indirect charge exceeded 15% total direct charges, attach cost allocation form



FY 10 Guidance / Dates



- Non-competing continuation (year 3 of 5)
- Guidance expected early December 2009
- Application due Grants.gov
 - February 5, 2010
- Due in Electronic Handbook (EHB)
 - February 19, 2010
- May request \$150K - \$170K Federal amount
 - State 3:1 matching funds required
- Webinar to be held in mid-December
 - Review minor changes and areas of emphasis



The Rural Voices Program



A Leadership Program for ORHP Grantees

- 30 participants in Spring 2009 (5 attended from Region E!)
- Three-day Meeting focusing on Key Policy Issues and Leadership Training
- Will Continue 2010, 4 SORH Slots



The 2009 Rural Voices Class



Office Region Operations (ORO) HRSA

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
Health Resources and Services Administration

- Effective Oct. 1, formerly OPR
- New focus on regional operations
- Supporting HHS / HRSA missions, goals, and strategic priorities in each region:
 - improve access to quality care
 - reduce disparities
 - improve public health
- Through State-level collaboration
 - generate and sustain efforts
 - align HRSA and State resources
- Provide technical assistance to grantees



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