

2024 iCare Request for Proposals

Request for Proposals Release Date:	February 5, 2024
Letter of Intent Due Date:	March 1, 2024
Full Proposal Invitation: Selected applicants will receive initial recommendations and be invited to submit a full proposal.	Late March 2024
Full Proposal Due Date: (for selected applicants)	May 1, 2024
Award Notice:	Late May 2024
Project Start Date:	July 1, 2024

The iCARE program supports organizations providing clinical and high-need services to rural communities. iCARE supports practices and providers offering primary and subspecialty care to rural communities through onsite or virtual services.

The SC Center for Rural and Primary Healthcare is accepting proposals for our 2024 iCARE program. The Center invites proposals from diverse perspectives and disciplines that **seek to establish or expand outreach clinics to rural communities to address chronic illnesses**. Special consideration will be given to applications proposing to expand specialty services (i.e., endocrinology, cardiology, pulmonology).

Eligibility Criteria:

- Any public institution of higher education in South Carolina
- South Carolina Rural Health Networks
- SC AccessHealth Networks
- Public or not-for-profit (501(c)3) organizations with an emphasis on health, rural health, or community services
- Direct providers of health care services
- State government agencies
- Must serve predominantly rural and/or underserved populations

Awards:

This funding opportunity will fund multiple cooperative agreements in amounts up to \$300,000 per year. All projects will have a two-year project period, with the opportunity to renew extend to a third year pending the need for services in the community and

We fund direct costs only. Categories of allowable funding include, but is not limited to:

- Staff salary and fringe
- Medical equipment and supplies
- Capital equipment
- Health promotion and education materials and support
- Advertising and outreach related to services

We do not fund:

- Applications that include covering the cost of patient copays and expenses
- Projects centered on one-touch events (health fairs, conferences, etc.)
- Salaries for personnel not directly involved with the project
- Equipment not directly related to the project
- Malpractice or insurance

We may contact you for additional information or with follow-up questions related to your application. If you have questions or concerns, you can email us at scruralhealthcare@uscmed.sc.edu.