



# **FY 2022 American Rescue Plan Act Uniform Data System Supplemental Funding for Health Centers (ARP-UDS+)**

**Technical Assistance Webinar**  
**Friday, April 29, 2022**

**Bureau of Primary Health Care (BPHC)**

**Vision: Healthy Communities, Healthy People**



# Agenda

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- Uniform Data System (UDS) Modernization Initiative
- Funding Overview and Purpose
- ARP-UDS+ Application Components
- Technical Assistance Resources
- Your Questions
  - Post questions at any time through the question and answer pod
  - Questions will be answered at the end of the presentation



# UDS Modernization Initiative



# UDS Modernization Initiative Overview



## Reduce Reporting Burden

Automate data submission, provide enhanced UDS reporting capabilities, promote transparency and integrate stakeholder feedback.



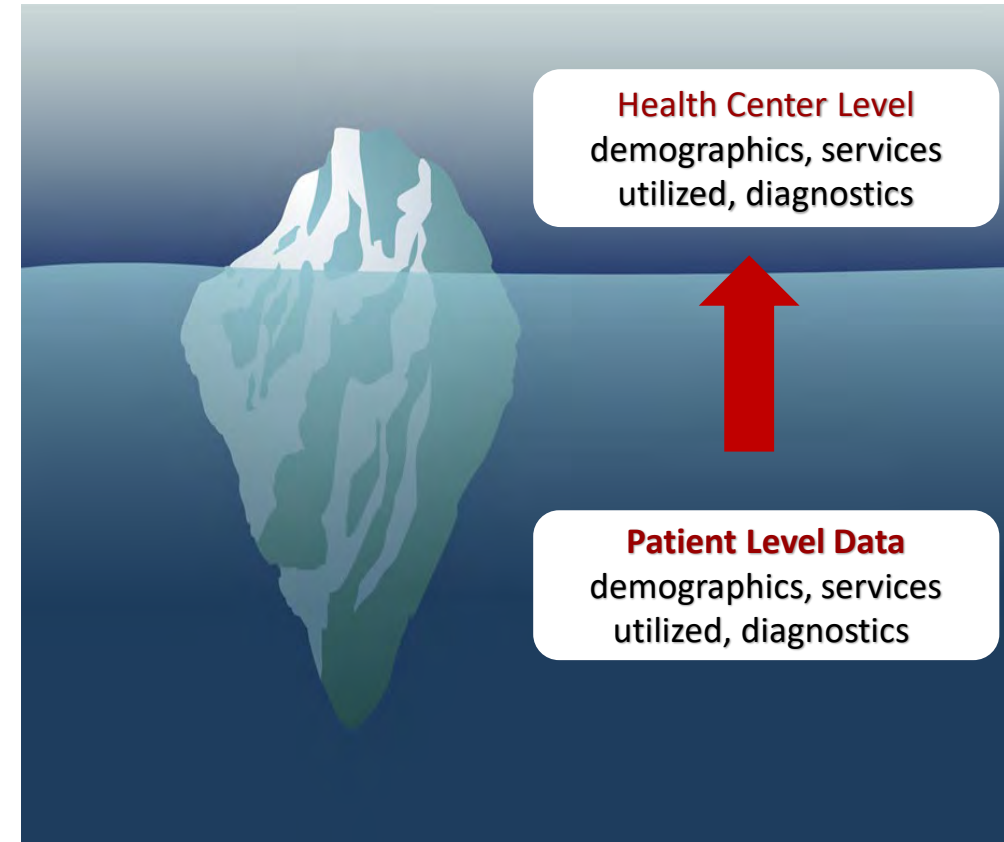
## Better Measure Impact

Improve the quality of UDS data to reflect improvements in patient-centered care and an evolving primary health care setting.



## Promote Transparency

Provide an open transparent decision-making process on UDS changes such as measure selection, information technology, and reporting improvements.



# UDS Patient Level Submission (UDS+)

UDS+ is...

- Beginning with the 2023 UDS, BPHC will accept patient-level report data.
  - UDS Tables PBZC, 3A, 3B, 4, 6A, 6B, and 7

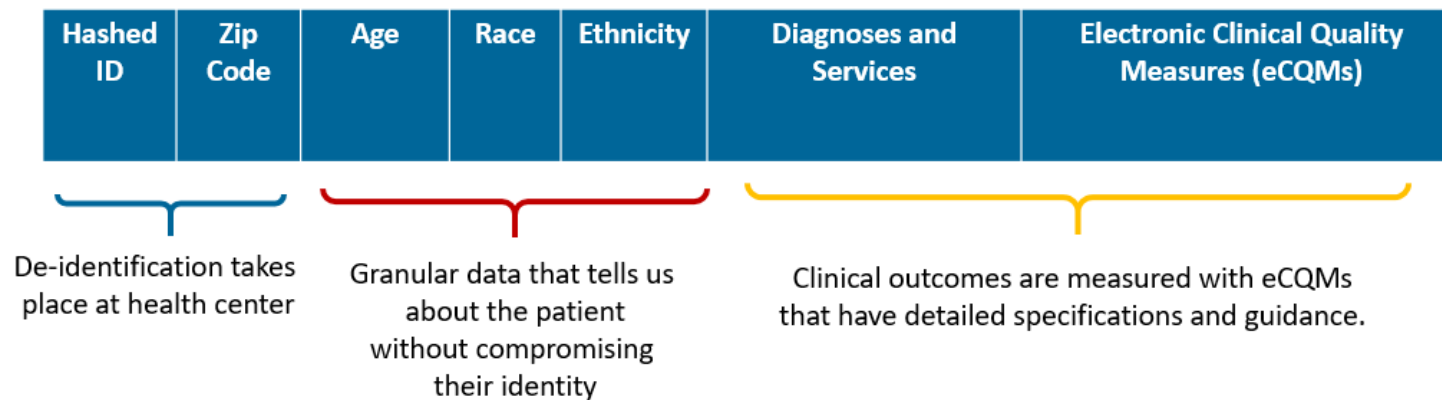
UDS+ does not...

- Collect full copies of data directly from patients' electronic medical records
- Collect patient identifiers

BPHC plans to accept UDS+ data in two ways:

- Manual file upload system & Fast Healthcare Interoperability Resources (FHIR)

For more information, visit: [Uniform Data System \(UDS\) Modernization Initiative](#)



# List of UDS tables to be reported in UDS+:

- **Table 3a**
  - Age
- **Table 3b**
  - Race
  - Ethnicity
  - Language best served in
  - Sexual Orientation/Gender Identity
- **Table 4**
  - Income
  - Principal third-party medical insurance
  - Managed Care Utilization
  - Special populations inclusion
- **Table 6a** (mostly can be defined using standardized code sets or clinical concepts)
  - Selected Diagnoses
  - Selected Services
- **Table 6b** (mostly eCQM)
  - Care quality measures
- **Table 7** (mostly eCQM)
  - Health outcomes and disparities



# Why HL7 FHIR?

- **ONC 21st Century Cures Act Final Rule**
  - **Purpose**
    - To give patients and their health care providers secure access to health information
    - To increase innovation and competition by fostering an ecosystem of new applications to provide patients with more choices in their health care
  - **Requirements**
    - API certification criterion for health information technology will require the use of Health Level 7 (HL7®) Fast Healthcare Interoperability Resources (FHIR®) Release 4
- **CMS Meaningful Measures 2.0**
  - Transform measures to digital quality measures (dQMs) by 2025
  - Use FHIR-based standards to exchange clinical information



# Implementation Focus Areas

## ALIGNMENT

### *Coordination of Data Standards*

- Support data interoperability
- Harmonize data reporting
- Ensure data quality and fidelity

## EXTERNAL

### *Support Health Centers and Stakeholders*

- Prepare health centers for reporting
- Communicate and share guidance
- Recruit and test

## INTERNAL

### *Update HRSA Internal Systems*

- Develop system to receive FHIR/XML data
- Enable capacity to host exponentially more data
- Create and adopt software to interface with new data
- Create systems to generate reports and analyses



# FY 2022 ARP-UDS+ Funding Overview and Purpose



# ARP-UDS+ Purpose

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- Respond to and mitigate the spread of COVID-19 and enhance health care services and infrastructure, including:
  - COVID-19 vaccination capacity
  - COVID-19 response and treatment capacity
  - Maintaining and increasing health center capacity,
  - Recovery and stabilization, and
  - Infrastructure, including expanding analytics and/or reporting capacity



# ARP-UDS+ Purpose, cont.

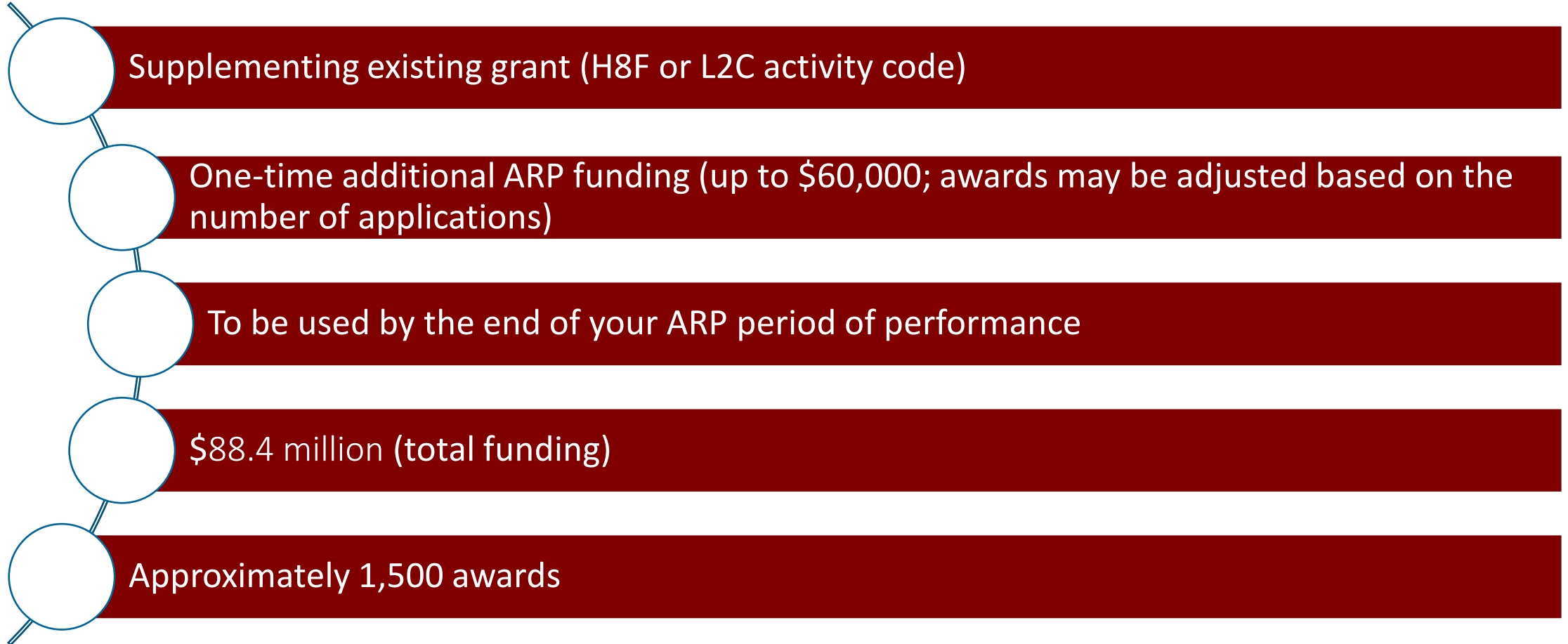
ARP-UDS+ funding will allow health centers to:

- Expand analytics and reporting capacity to better respond to and mitigate the spread of COVID-19,
- Enhance health care services and infrastructure, and
- Support high-quality, patient-level Uniform Data System (UDS+) data submissions.

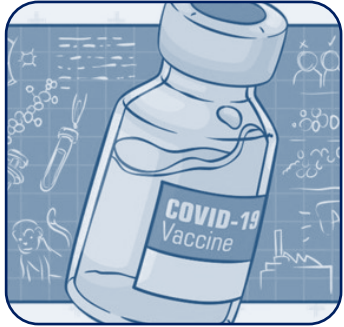
ARP-UDS+ funds may also be used to support other American Rescue Plan Act (ARP) allowable activities



# Award Information



# Uses of Funds



COVID-19  
Vaccination  
Capacity



COVID-19  
Response and  
Treatment  
Capacity



Maintaining  
and Increasing  
Capacity  
Recruiting  
and/or  
Training Staff



Recovery and  
Stabilization



Infrastructure:  
Improvement of  
HIT, Expand  
Analytic and/or  
Reporting  
Capacity

# Ineligible Costs

*Must not use these funds to cover the same expense as H8C, H8D, H8E, H8O, or other federal funds*



EHRs that are not ONC certified



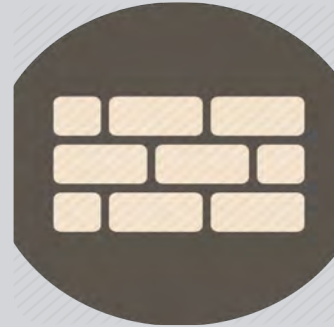
New construction activities, additions, or expansions  
A/R



Facility or land purchases



Significant site work outside the building  
Road paving or new parking lots



Purchase or installation of permanent modular units or prefab buildings



Activities that do not support funding purpose  
Costs reimbursed by other government programs

# FY 2022 ARP-UDS+ Application Components



# Application Components

- SF-424A Budget Information Form (Sections A through C)
- Budget Narrative
  - With Personnel Justification Table (if applicable)
- Project Overview Forms
  - Funding Request form
  - UDS+ Activities checklist
  - Other ARP Activities checklist
- Equipment List Form (if applicable)

See the ARP-UDS+ technical assistance webpage for blank forms, a sample budget narrative, and the NOFO



# Budget Presentation

- SF-424A Budget Information Form
- Budget Narrative
  - With Personnel Justification Table (if applicable)
- Equipment List (if applicable)
- Pre-award costs dating from January 31, 2020 to August 1, 2022 (award start date) are allowable
  - Note these costs in your Budget Narrative



# Project Overview

- Funding Request
  - ✓ Use this form to indicate if you will be using ARP-UDS+ supplemental funding to carry out only UDS+ activities, only other ARP activities, or both UDS+ and other ARP activities
- UDS+ Activities list
  - ✓ Select proposed activities you will complete using ARP-UDS+ funds that will help you prepare for UDS+ patient-level reporting
- Other ARP Activities List
  - ✓ Select proposed activities you will complete using ARP-UDS+ funds that address the ARP purpose, based on how community, patient, and organizational needs have evolved over time

**If you choose to write in activities, they must be consistent with the purpose of FY22 ARP-UDS+ funding and align with your H80 or LAL Scope of Project.**



# Progress Reporting

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- You will report progress on activities supported by one-time ARP-UDS+ funding in your quarterly ARP progress reports
  - See [H8F progress report guide](#)
  - See [L2C progress report guide](#)



# Key Dates

**Application due (EHBs only): May 23, 2022, 5:00pm ET**



**Award start date: August 1, 2022**

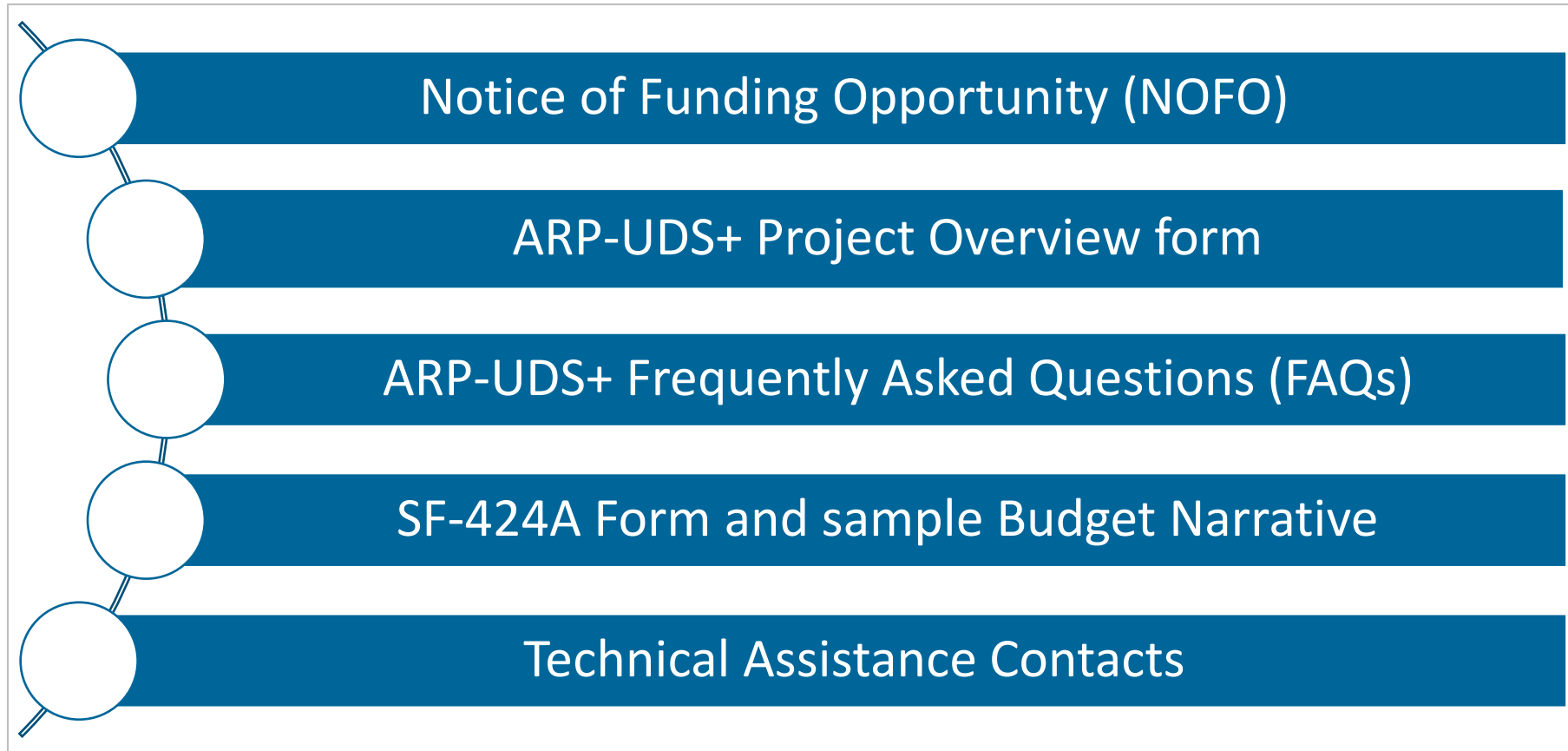


**Period of performance end date:**  
March 31, 2023 for H8F-funded health centers  
June 30, 2023 for L2C-funded look-alikes

# Technical Assistance Resources



# ARP-UDS+ Technical Assistance Webpage



[View the ARP-UDS+ technical assistance webpage](#)



# Technical Assistance Contacts

## NOFO Questions

[ARP-UDS+ TA webpage](#)

Complete the [BPHC Contact Form](#):

- Under *Funding*, select *Applications (e.g., NOFOs)*
- Enter your contact information
- Select *ARP-UDS+*

ARP-UDS+ Technical Assistance Team

301-594-4300

## EHBs System Issues

Complete the [BPHC Contact Form](#):

- Under *Technical Support*, select *EHBs Tasks/EHBs Technical Issues*
- Enter your contact information
- Select *Grant Applications Technical Question*

Health Center Program Support

1-877-464-4772



# Questions





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