



National Hypertension Control Initiative-Health Centers (NHCI-HC) Webinar

Closeout and Progress Report Overview

Pre-Recorded Presentation

December 1, 2023



Requirement Reminders

Conduct outreach and engage patients with uncontrolled hypertension

Fully participate in training and technical assistance (T/TA) activities

NHCI-HC

Ensure access to, and support use of, Bluetooth or wireless-enabled self-monitored blood pressure (SMBP) devices, and use their data to inform hypertension treatment plans

Collect and share data to support participate in initiative evaluation and reporting activities



Important Dates

When does my project period end?

- The project period end date is the same for all NHCI awardee recipients and is **December 31, 2023**. You have until this date to complete your HRSA-approved work plan.

Do I need to submit a Progress Report after December 31, 2023?

- Yes, the last Progress Report submission will be available in EHBs beginning January 1, 2024.

When does my H80 budget period end?

- NHCI budget periods vary by health center.
- NHCI funds may be utilized **through the end of your fiscal year 2023 budget period**, with HRSA approved carryover.



No Cost Extension, Expanded Authority and Carryover

- No-cost extensions for the NHCI funding is not an option due to the funding being part of the overall H80 grant. An NHCI-HC Annual Expenditure Report is due in EHBs 90 days following the end of your FY 2023 H80 Budget Period.
- Since this is the final year of the NHCI project period, there is no expanded authority or carryover of funds once your FY 2023 H80 budget has ended. We do know that some of your FY 2023 budgets will not end until next year, so your FFRs should have all come in with any remaining unobligated NHCI funds reflected. If there are any remaining funds after that, they will not be approved for carryover or expanded authority into the new FY 2024.



Last Progress Report Submission Timeline

All NHCI Awardees must submit a Last Progress Report in EHBs.

Date	Activity
Date	Pre-recorded webinar available on NHCI TA webpage
January 1	Progress Report Module (PRM) opens in EHBs
January 16	Progress Report due in EHBs

- All Progress Reports must be received in the EHBs by January 16, 2024.
- Health Centers cannot request extensions for the last Progress Report submission.
- January 15, 2024 is a Federal holiday. Please try to submit early in case of any complications



About Your Progress Report - **Format**

About your Progress Report:

- Completed in the EHBs
- Consist of four questions (identical to prior NHCI Progress Reports)
- Include updates on activities from **July 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023**
- Provide narrative descriptions of progress including issues/barriers, successes and lessons learned
- You are encouraged to include issues/barriers and successes from your entire project period as a separate attachment

[Progress Report Guidance Document](#)



About Your Progress Report - Overall Project Status

- Select the option that best reflects the overall status of your NHCI project.
 - Not Started
 - Less than or equal to 50% Complete
 - Greater than 50% and Less than 100% Complete
 - Completed
- Since this is the last project report, you will be able to select “Complete”
- You should select “Complete” if you have implemented your HRSA-approved workplan, including sufficient documentation of effort related to outreach, training/technical assistance, and SMBP distribution.



About Your Progress Report - Outreach and Engagement

- Q2a. Outreach and Continued Engagement of Patients with Uncontrolled Hypertension
 - Completed
 - In Progress
 - Planned
- Related to outreach, include specific activities used along with outcomes related to SMBP use and blood pressure control
- Where possible, include the total number of patients with uncontrolled hypertension receiving an outreach or continued engagement encounter



About Your Progress Report - T/TA Participation

- Q2b. Participation in National Training and Technical Assistance Activities
 - Completed
 - In Progress
 - Planned
- Check the national training and technical assistance activities health center staff participated during the reporting period.
- For the current reporting period, you should list at least one T/TA event offered.
- Where possible, note the activity title, date, and number of Health Center participants in attendance
- You may also include listening to webinars recorded during a previous reporting period but actually listened to during this reporting period



About Your Progress Report - SMBP Access & Support

- Q2c. Reporting Measure Ensure Access to and Support the Use of Bluetooth or Wireless-Enabled SMBP Devices for a Majority of Patients with Hypertension
 - Completed
 - In Progress
 - Planned
- Describe how you are ensuring access and supporting the use of Bluetooth or wireless-enabled SMBP devices for a majority of your hypertensive patients, including the specific methods and activities used
- Where possible, include the number of patients offered SMBP devices, the number of patients that declined the SMBP, and the number of patients currently using the SMBP for the reporting period.



About Your Progress Report - Data for Treatment Plans

- Q2d. Use of Data from Bluetooth or wireless-enabled SMBP devices to Develop and Inform Hypertension Treatment Plans
 - Completed
 - In Progress
 - Planned
- Describe how you are using the data from the Bluetooth or wireless enabled SMBP devices to develop and inform hypertension treatment plans.



About Your Progress Report - Evaluation and Reporting

- Q2e. Collect and share data to support participation in initiative evaluation and reporting activities
 - Completed
 - In Progress
 - Planned
- Describe your participation in NHCI initiative evaluation and reporting activities to-date
- Some examples may include TA partner data surveys, UDS reporting, progress reports, requests for information, focus groups, etc.



About Your Progress Report - **NHCI-HC Funds**

- Q3. Are the implemented/planned activities described above and associated uses of NHCI-HC funds consistent with what you submitted to HRSA in the initial application?
 - Yes
 - No
- If No, please describe.
- For changes that impact your approved budget, provide detail by cost category and a description of how the changes to planned/implemented activities meet the intent of the NHCI-HC funding in addition to details on changes that impact the approved budget.



About Your Progress Report - **Barriers**

- Q4. Are there or do you anticipate any issues or barriers in the use of the NHCI-HC funding and/or implementing the planned activities?
 - Yes
 - No
- If Yes, please describe.



About Your Progress Report - Attachments

- Following Q4, you will have an opportunity to add attachment(s) to your progress report.
- There is no requirement for health centers to provide any attachments.
- As this is your last NHCI Progress Report, consider including an attachment with your lessons learned, successes, challenges and best practices throughout the entire project.



Patient Majority Requirement

- **Patient majority requirement**
 - This number is calculated from the 2019 UDS total or your 2020 data to date from your EHR universe provided as part of your work plan in your original application. This is not your current total number of patients with hypertension
 - Please revisit your patient majority number to gauge progress with outreach and making SMBP devices available to the correct number of patients

Patient Majority Considerations

What constitutes an outreach or engagement “encounter”?

The definition of an encounter will depend upon how the health center’s hypertension program is designed. An encounter can include, but is not limited to, a face-to-face, virtual, telephone, text, or email outreach or engagement.

What happens if we offer a SMBP device to a patient and they refuse the SMBP device? Does this count toward meeting the majority requirement?

HRSA recognizes that some patients may choose not to participate in the NHCI program and use a SMBP device. Health centers will be able to count patients who were offered a SMBP device but refused toward meeting the requirement to make SMBP devices available to a majority of hypertensive patients.

HRSA encourages health centers to develop a system to track the number of patients who are offered, accepted, and refused a SMBP device. This documentation will allow the health center to demonstrate that they have met the NHCI funding requirements.




NHCI-HC Reminders

- Maintain Records and Documentation on:
 - Efforts with, including, when possible, accounting of, outreach and engagement of patients
 - T/TA activities attended
 - How SMBP data was used to inform hypertension treatment plans
- Ensure you have submitted all NHCI-HC Submissions within EHBs (Progress Reports, Annual Expenditure Reports)
- Ensure you have submitted all data surveys as requested by your T/TA partner (either AHA or Altarum)
- Participate, as you are able, with evaluation activities with T/TA partners



NHCI-HC Technical Assistance Webpage

[FY 2021 Supplemental Funding for Hypertension \(NHCI-HC\) | Bureau of Primary Health Care \(hrsa.gov\)](#)



The screenshot shows the HRSA Health Center Program website. The header includes the HRSA logo and navigation links: Home, About Health Centers, Compliance, Funding, Initiatives, Data & Reporting, and Technical Assistance. The main content area features the title "FY 2021 Supplemental Funding for Hypertension (NHCI-HC)" and a yellow callout box with the following text:

[View FY 2021 Progress Reporting resources \(updated 12/23/2021\)](#)

[HHS Awards 90 Million to Support Health Centers in Addressing Hypertension Among Racial and Ethnic Minorities \(1/19/2021\)](#)

[View the NHCI-HC award recipients](#)

Question and Answer Session for NHCI-HC Award Recipients

The NHCI-HC technical assistance webpage includes:

- General resources
- Progress reporting resources
- Frequently asked questions
- Links to pre-recorded webinars
- Presentation slides
- ...and more

Contact Information



For programmatic questions, contact NHCI Team members via the [BPHC Contact Form](#)



For budget questions, contact the Grants Management Specialist listed on your H80 Notice of Award.

For EHB-related questions, please contact 877-464-4772

Thank You!

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