FY 2021 American Rescue Plan Funding for Health Centers (ARP-H8F)
HRSA-21-112

Alterations/Renovations (A/R)
Question and Answer Session
August 12, 2021
Using ARP H8F Award funds for Minor A/R

Program Specific Term 14:
Up to $500,000 of the funding included in this notice of award may be used for minor alteration/renovation (A/R) activities. Minor A/R activities must occur at an in-scope Health Center Program operational grant (H80) site(s) and the total site-specific project cost must be less than $500,000. You must submit the required minor A/R information to HRSA before drawing down funds for minor A/R activities. See the H8F technical assistance webpage for details regarding required minor A/R project information.

Minor Alteration / Renovation Activities:
Work to an existing facility that does not increase square footage of the facility AND where the total costs of all work and all related administrative costs (less movable items) is LESS THAN $500,000 per service site. Examples of alteration/renovation activities include modernizing, improving, and/or reconfiguring the interior arrangements of an existing facility; affixing equipment to the wall, ceiling, or floor of the existing physical facility; installing heating, ventilation, air-conditioning (HVAC) units, and exterior generators; and replacing the exterior envelope (such as the roof) and/or improving accessibility (such as sidewalk replacement and ramps).
ARP H8F Award - Unallowable Uses of Funding

- EHRs that are not ONC certified
- New construction activities, additions, or expansions
  - Major A/R (total budget of $500,000 or more)
- 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

**Must not use H8F funds to cover the same expense as H8C, H8D, H8E or H80 funds**
Common Issues that Cause Return of Submissions

- Requesting funding that exceeds the minor A/R cost limit (discussed on later slide)
- Not submitting all required documents for the A/R project
- Including permanently installed equipment in categories other than A/R
- Requesting funds for unallowable activities
- Combining A/R projects at multiple sites into one submission
### Under $500,000 per site limitation for minor A/R

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Minor A/R Costs, whether supported by Federal or Non-Federal funds, must remain under $500,000 for entire project period.
Resources

- FY 2021 ARP (H8F) Funding for Health Centers – FAQs
- FY 2021 ARP (H8F) FAQs – Minor A/R
- FY 2021 ARP Funding for Look-Alikes (ARP-LAL) – FAQs
- FY 2021 ARP-LAL FAQs – Minor A/R