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RFA: Health Care Facility Transformation Program: Kings County

OVERVIEW

On March 9th, the New York State Department of Health (DOH) and the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York (DASNY) issued a Request for Applications (RFA) for up to \$700 million in capital funding through the Health Care Facility Transformation Program (HCFTP) for health care providers located in Kings County. Proposals will be expected to fulfill the recommendations of the recently-released Northwell Health study of financially unstable hospitals in central and northeastern Brooklyn. Awards will be made by DOH on a non-competitive and discretionary basis, and there will be no appeals process.

Applications are due May 5th, and awards are expected to be announced by June 30th. Contracts are anticipated to start on July 14th and last for up to five years. Questions may be submitted to Joan Cleary Miron at kingscounty@health.ny.gov through March 24th.

The full RFA is available on the Grants Gateway here.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

Eligible applicants include Article 28 general hospitals and other types of Article 28 providers, as well as Article 36 Home Care providers, who serve communities with significant health care disparities and needs within Brooklyn (in particular, central and northeastern Brooklyn).

Providers must be facing unsustainable operations as measured by various financial metrics, or be deemed to be a provider that will fulfill an unmet health care need in the community.

ELIGIBLE PROJECTS

Eligible projects must be capital projects that are consistent with the DOH-commissioned Northwell Health study released in November 2016, "The Brooklyn Study: Reshaping the Future of Healthcare." This study recommended that the HCFTP funds be used for an approximately \$250 million expansion of ambulatory care, with the balance being dedicated to improving information technology, facility infrastructure, and service restructuring at hospitals in central and northeastern Brooklyn.

Funds may be used for planning, design, construction, renovation, and equipment costs, as well as other types of expenditures related to service expansion or construction activity. Grants will be funded through state-supported bonds.