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Community Health Peer Learning Program

Informational Session

February 26, 2015

3:00 – 4:00 PM ET



- Introductory Remarks
- ONC Grant Funding Overview
- Community Health Peer Learning Program Overview
- Funding, Eligibility, and Application Information
- Application Responsiveness and Objective Review

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

- Provide information on the Funding Opportunity Announcement for Community Health Peer Learning (CHP) Program (grant #: CLP-CL-15-001)
- Describe the CHP Program purpose, activities, and desired outcomes
- Explain the application and review processes
- Gather questions from interested organizations and individuals for subsequent response via the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) on ONC's website
- Provide links to additional information

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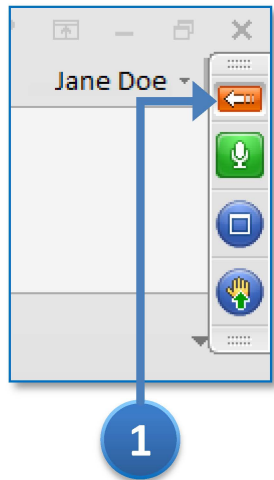
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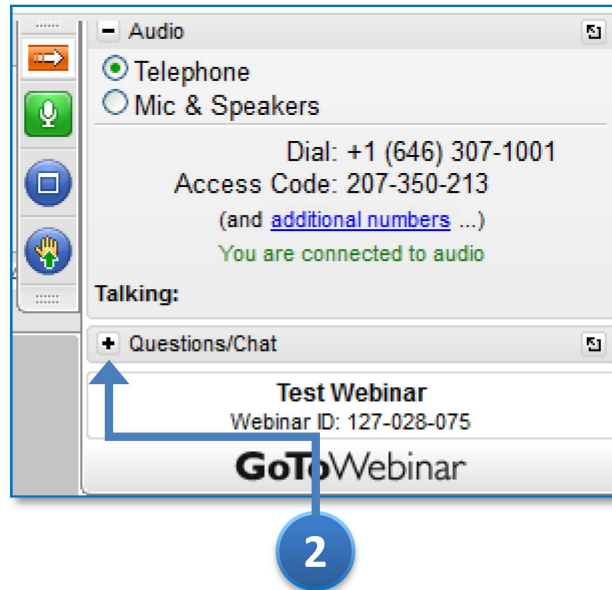
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- The FAQs can be viewed at <http://healthit.gov/newsroom/community-health-peer-learning-program>

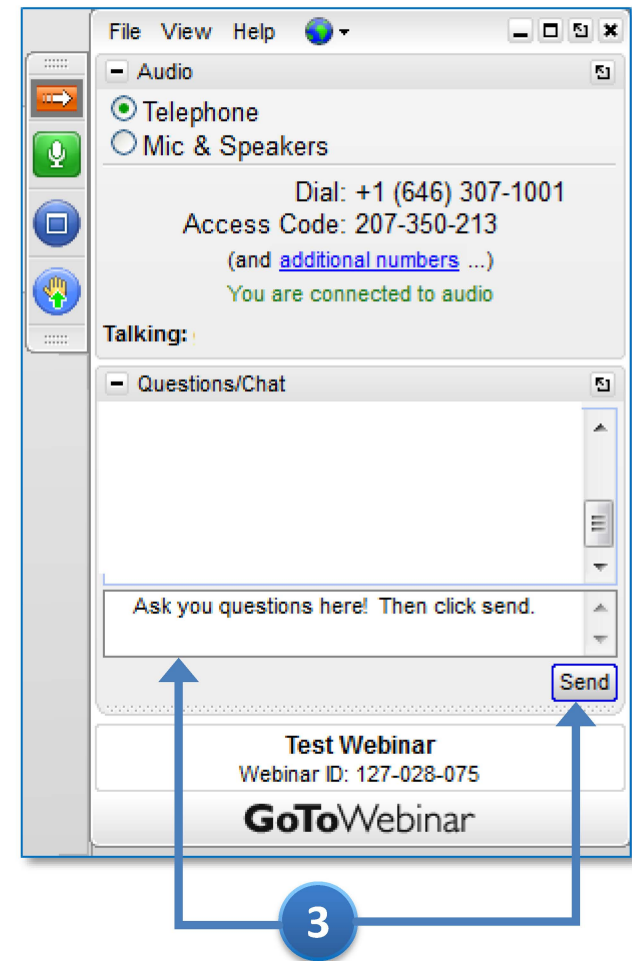
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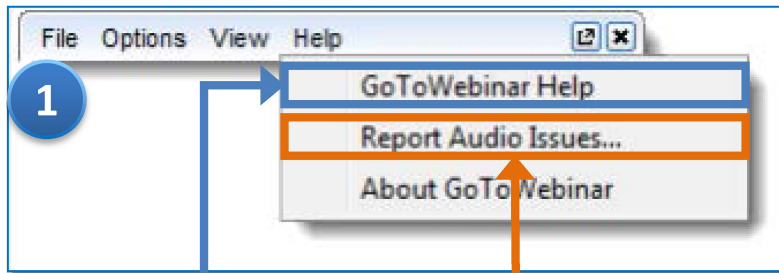
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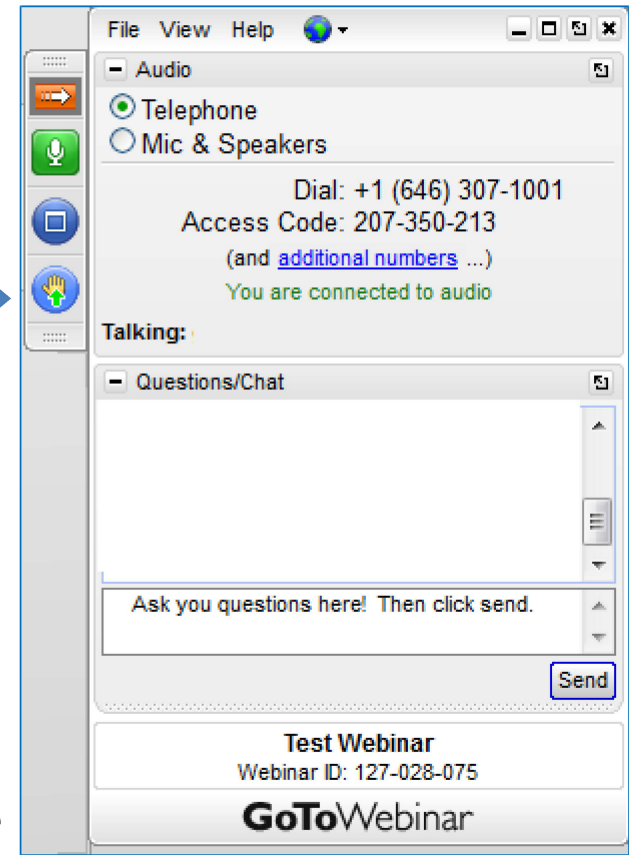
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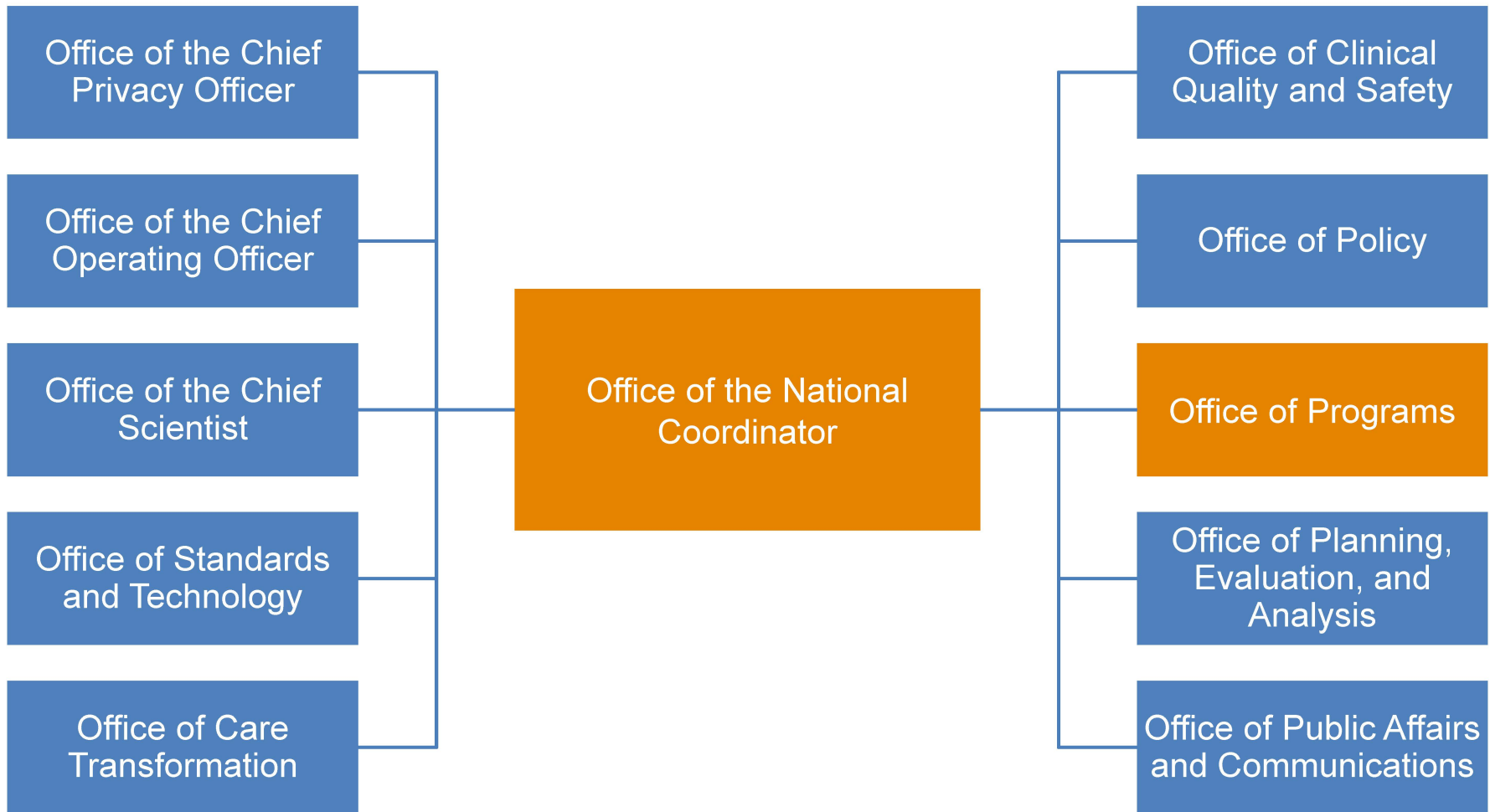
ONC GRANT FUNDING – OVERVIEW

- \$36.1M available through three funding opportunities
- Promote improvements in health IT interoperability, infrastructure, and data quality
- Accelerate the adoption of health IT information exchange
- Expand training the needs of the health care professional to incorporate Meaningful Use criteria and care transformation programs
- Foster community-focused efforts to address population-level health challenges
- Encourage collaborative efforts to extend HIE services and interoperable health IT tools
- Support ongoing efforts to realize better health, better care, and lower costs

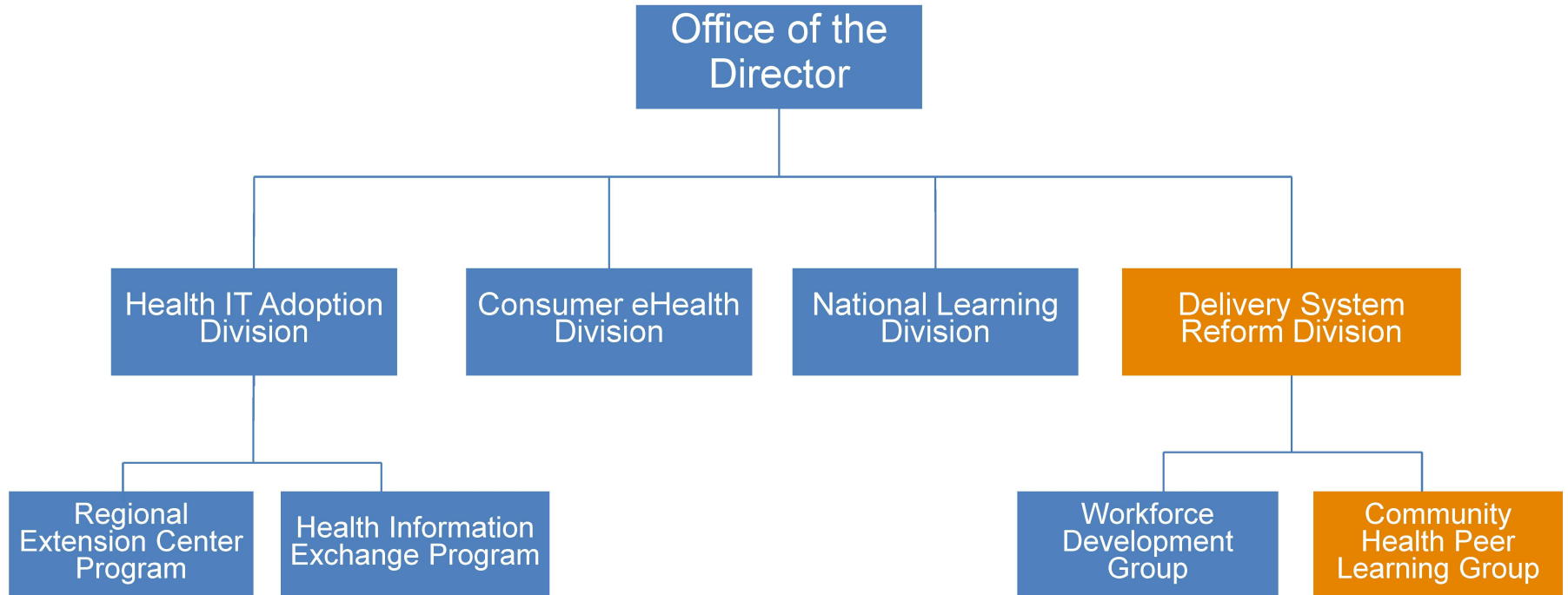
Snapshot of Available FOAs

Grant	Funding	Awards	Performance Period
Community Health Peer Learning Program	\$1.7M	1	2 years
<i>Goal: Address population health management challenges through a community-based collaborative approach focused on improved use of health information</i>			
State Health Information Exchange	\$28M	10-12	2 years
<i>Goal: Leverage successes from initial State HIE projects to increase the adoption and use of interoperable health IT to improve care coordination</i>			
Workforce Training to Educate Health Care Professionals in Health IT	\$6.4M	5-7	2 years
<i>Goal: Update health IT training curriculum and train 6,000 healthcare workers so they can more effectively deliver and coordinate patient care</i>			

ONC Organizational Chart



Office of Programs- Organizational Chart



Community Peer Health Learning Program

CLP-CL-15-001

COMMUNITY PEER HEALTH LEARNING – PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

- Expand on the Beacon Communities program, which advanced the use of health IT for 17 communities and 9,000 providers and resulted in improvements in quality, efficiency, and sustainability
- Address population-level health challenges in ten communities through a community-based collaborative approach
- Develop and disseminate resources documenting health it strategies and promising practices for addressing community health challenges

- ONC will select one grantee to manage the CHP program
- The grantee will develop an application process to select ten communities to participate
 - *Participating communities* will identify a population-level health challenge to address by improving the use, effectiveness, and interoperability of health IT
 - *Subject Matter Expert Communities* have addressed specific health challenges and will have best practices and lessons learned to share
- Communities will work together to develop and implement action plans to address their identified population health challenges

- Design and conduct a nationwide application process to select up to ten communities
- Create program resources to guide development of action plans
- Plan and conduct two meetings where communities, government partners, and other key stakeholders can work together to share information, identify resources, and develop actions plans
- Monitor and report progress as communities develop and implement application plans

- Development of an impactful, measureable, and actionable community plan to implement solutions to population-level health management challenges using improved data access, flow, and analysis
- Development of resources that document strategies, approaches, and best practices for addressing population health challenges that can be shared with CHP Program participants and a broader audience
- Development of cross-community partnerships that address multiple population health challenges through peer learning, SME guidance, and program learning

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FUNDING, ELIGIBILITY, AND APPLICATION INFORMATION

CHP: Summary of Key Details

Type of Award	Cooperative Agreement
Available Funding	\$1,700,000
Number of Awards	1
Application Due Date	4/6/2015
Anticipated Award Date	5/1/2015
Performance Period	2 years
Anticipated Start Date:	6/1/2015

- Applicants are encouraged to submit a non-binding e-mail notice of intent to apply for this funding opportunity
- Submit by 3/2/2015, 11:59 P.M. Eastern Time
- Identify
 - Name of applicant organization
 - City and state
 - Funding Opportunity Announcement number # (CLP-CP-15-001)
 - Title: Community Health Peer Learning Program
- Send to: CommunityHealthFOA@hhs.gov

- Eligibility
 - Applicants must be a United States-based for-profit or nonprofit institution, organization, agency, or group thereof
- Applicants must:
 - Submit all material electronically through grants.gov – this process is outlined in the FOA
 - For assistance with submitting applications in Grants.gov, please contact the Grants.gov Helpdesk at support@grants.gov or call at 1-800-518-4726
 - Have a Dun & Bradstreet (D&B) Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number
 - Register in the System for Award Management (SAM) at www.sam.gov
 - allow a minimum of 5 days to complete the registration – if you are already registered in SAM and have not renewed your registration in the last 12 months, you must renew your registration
 - Ensure the application meets application requirements and page limits

CHP: Application Components

Component	Limit
Project Abstract	<500 words
Project Narrative	15 pages
• Understanding the Program Purpose	<1 page
• Organizational Capacity and Project Management Acumen	<4 pages
• Proposed Approach and Work Plan	<4 pages
• Sub-recipient Award Management, Evaluation, and Feedback Structure	<2 pages
• Collaborator Involvement and Partnerships	<1 page
• Process for Dissemination of Learning Resources	<2 pages
• Budget Justification and Budget Forms	<1 page
• APPENDIX A: Copies of Letters of Commitment/Support	NA
• APPENDIX B: Key Staff/Partner Resumes/CVs	NA

- Describe how you would work with 10 communities and ONC to meet program needs. This section may contain:
 - Describing approach to working with participating and SME communities
 - Process and planning for the two (2) national convenings
 - Describing process and approach to developing learning guides and other community level deliverables

- Present your organization's capabilities, including partners and collaborative relationships with healthcare stakeholders to support the program's success
- Describe relevant organizational resources
- Demonstrate program management acumen, including work breakdown structure and approach to completing deliverables
- Specify program leadership
- Present any capabilities not described elsewhere
- Indicate support from key program partners

- Present approach and strategy to address your understanding of the program purpose
- Provide a detailed project timeline
- Describe approach for establishing and engaging community members within the peer learning program
- Discuss relationship of each work plan element with proposed approach
- Present tasks, activities, dependencies, timelines, resources, partners, deliverables, and major milestones
- Recommend five (5) key applicant evaluation criteria through which ONC can measure applicant success
- Describe any major barriers and mitigation strategies

- Demonstrate your ability to manage a national program with respect to measurement, reporting, evaluation, and employing mechanisms for gathering and incorporating feedback
- Describe your approach to monitor and track community progress
- Describe program success criteria and how program outcomes and impact will be measured, evaluated, and reported
- Describe four (4) key elements, at minimum, you will use to measure programmatic success

- Describe the role and composition of any strategic partners and collaborators you plan to involve in implementing your approach and work plan
- Document, in detail, why their contribution is integral to program success

- Describe how your program is broadly applicable to and replicable in other communities, states, and territories
- Explain how the results of the program will be disseminated, replicated, and used nationally
- Describe your understanding of the community learning process to support a population health management analysis
- Discuss how you will develop resources such as learning guides and webinars
- Present ability to distill complex technical issues to synthesize recommendations and lessons learned to community, state, and federal partners through required reports and presentations

- Complete the following budget forms to document costs of proposed project activities:
 - One page Budget Justification Narrative
 - Application for Federal Assistance SF-424
 - Budget Information for Non-Construction Programs SF-424A
 - Assurances for Non-Construction Programs SF-424B
 - Disclosure of Lobbying Activities SF-LLL
- Detailed budget instructions are provided in the FOA

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APPLICATION RESPONSIVENESS AND OBJECTIVE REVIEW

CHP: Application Review Process



- Submit all application materials electronically through grant.gov
- Grants.gov issues an email receipt upon successful submission
- ONC issues receipt upon successfully obtaining files from grants.gov
- Applications are reviewed for responsiveness and categorized as pass/fail
- All applications that pass the review for responsiveness are forward for objective review
- Once objective review is complete, ONC may make award
- ONC is not obligated to make an award if none of the applications meet the intent of program requirements or if funding levels or availability changes

Applicants not meeting the following completeness criteria will be administratively eliminated and not sent for objective review:

- The applicant meets the eligibility criteria
- The application is received by the deadline required by 11:59 P.M. Eastern Time April 6, 2015 through <http://www.grants.gov>
- The application meets the formatting and length requirements
- The application presents a defined core set of community-level population health management challenges and topics that the applicant understands
- Appendices and attachments are not used as a mechanism to exceed page limits of the Project Narrative

CHP: Objective Review Criteria



- Responsive applications are forwarded for objective review
- Objective review conducted by a panel of at least 3 experts in areas relevant to the CHP Program
- Applications can receive a maximum of 100 points, using the following scale:

Objective Review Criteria	Points
Program Purpose & Strength of Proposed Approach and Work Plan	30
Process for Development and Dissemination of Learning Resources	20
Sub-recipient Award Management, Evaluation, and Feedback Structures	20
Organizational Capacity and Project Management	15
Communications and Facilitation Plan	10
Reasonableness of Project Budget Justification	5

- Thank you for attending!
- We will remain online for 5 minutes – please submit any remaining questions via the web conferencing system
- Any questions not already addressed will be added to the FAQ
- For the FAQ and additional information on this FOA, go to <http://healthit.gov/newsroom/community-health-peer-learning-program>
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