

PUBLIC NOTICE

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)

Rural Kansas Transformational Telemedicine Program

Issued By: Great Plains Health Alliance (GPHA)

Funding Source: Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) Rural Health Transformation Program

Project Period: July 1, 2026 – September 30, 2027

Notice of Solicitation

Great Plains Health Alliance (GPHA) is soliciting proposals from qualified telemedicine providers to furnish virtual clinical services and implementation support for the Rural Kansas Transformational Telemedicine Program serving participating rural hospitals throughout Kansas.

This project is funded through federal grant funds administered by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment and is therefore subject to applicable federal procurement requirements, including **2 CFR Part 200 Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards**. Vendors responding to this solicitation must comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and requirements.

Project Description

The selected contractor will provide a comprehensive telemedicine solution to support participating rural hospitals through one or more of the following service lines:

- Emergency Medicine
- Hospitalist/Inpatient Medicine
- Behavioral Health and Psychiatry

Services shall support rural hospitals in strengthening access to care, improving patient outcomes, reducing unnecessary transfers, supporting workforce sustainability, and enhancing financial stability.

Participating facilities are located throughout rural Kansas and collectively serve approximately 130,000 rural residents.

Scope of Services

The selected contractor will be expected to provide:

- Board-certified telemedicine physician services.
- Technology and equipment deployment support.
- Integration with hospital clinical workflows and electronic medical records.
- Training and implementation support.
- Quality improvement and care transformation support.
- Performance measurement and reporting.
- Ongoing operational and technical support.

Minimum Vendor Qualifications

Interested vendors must demonstrate:

- Experience delivering telemedicine services to rural, critical access, or community hospitals.
- Availability of board-certified Emergency Medicine, Hospitalist/Internal Medicine, and Behavioral Health providers.
- HIPAA-compliant technology platform.
- Experience integrating telemedicine services into multiple EMR platforms.
- Quality improvement and performance reporting capabilities.
- Capacity to support implementation across multiple hospital locations.
- Experience operating under federally funded programs and reporting requirements.

Proposal Evaluation

Proposals will be evaluated based on criteria that may include:

- Clinical capabilities and provider availability.
- Rural healthcare experience.
- Technical approach and implementation plan.
- Quality improvement and data reporting capabilities.
- Sustainability strategy.
- Cost and overall value.

GPHA reserves the right to end proposal period at its discretion, reject any or all proposals, waive minor irregularities, negotiate with one or more respondents, and make an award deemed to be in the best interest of the program.

Federal Requirements

The selected vendor will be required to comply with all applicable federal regulations, including but not limited to:

- 2 CFR Part 200 Uniform Guidance
- Federal conflict-of-interest requirements
- HIPAA and applicable privacy regulations
- Record retention and audit requirements
- Nondiscrimination provisions
- Debarment and suspension requirements
- Applicable lobbying certification requirements

Proposal Submission

Interested vendors may request the complete RFP package by contacting:

Curt Colson

President & Chief Executive Officer

Great Plains Health Alliance

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All questions regarding this solicitation must be submitted in writing.

Important Dates

Activity	Date
RFP Issued	10/06/2026
Questions Due	10/12/2026
Responses to Questions Issued	10/19/2026
Proposal Due Date	10/26/2026

Evaluation Period	10/27 – 10/29/2026
Anticipated Award	10/30/2026
Period of Performance Through	09/30/2027

Equal Opportunity Statement

GPHA encourages participation by all qualified vendors and will conduct this procurement in a manner providing full and open competition consistent with federal procurement requirements under 2 CFR §200.320 and GPHA procurement policies. No vendor will be excluded from participation on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, or other protected status.