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ARPA-YY000439

Project Intake Name	ARPA-YY000439	Status	QC 2
Entity Type	State agency	Organization Name	University Hospitals Authority
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Project Information

Project Purpose	This project addresses UHA, OUHSC, OU Tulsa and OU Health's (OUH) collaborative effort in transmitting and sharing electronic health records (EHR) among providers and patients across the state to drive better health outcomes and provide a better overall patient experience. This transformation modernizes and brings efficiency to our disjointed statewide system. COVID-19 highlighted the need for health systems state-wide to be better connected. Most large Oklahoma health systems have already converted to modern EHR systems that contain portals for protected transmission of health data. UHAT, OU and OUH have committed more than \$200 million to this project. In planning for this conversion, OUH assessed the underlying IT infrastructure such as the networking components originally installed by OUHSC. Some components are now more than 30 years old and will not support Epic. One-time funds will be used to assist in the modernization of this network infrastructure. Updating these components will not only allow OUH to complete the privatization of the OU Physician clinics moving more than 2,200 state employees to the private sector but will also improve OUH's ability to communicate with patients, physicians, state agencies such as OHCA and health systems state-wide to allow for more specialty care to be provided in a patient's home community.	Program Category	Public Health Expenditures
Project Completed by Deadline	Yes	Sub-Category	Capital Investments or Physical Plant Changes to Public Facilities that respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency
Requested Funding Amount	\$44,000,000.00	Estimated Project Duration	12-18 months
Prior Similar Project Completed	Yes	Prior Amount Committed	\$160,000,000.00
Performance Measuring	UHA would collect and report data to the legislature and Governor's Office of Project Performance Metrics. Metrics would include network component delivery and installation milestones as established by management and project go live milestones such as testing results and performance of end user acceptance processes. Metrics on a go forward basis would include standard IT measurements such as system down time, number of error tickets generated/resolved and user experience survey results. As the largest provider of Medicaid services in Oklahoma, we would report data to our collaborative partner OHCA regarding health outcomes and utilization to address health disparities for beneficiaries.	Evidence	The Epic EHR is used by 19 of 20 Best Hospitals (per US News and World Report) and 20 of 20 top Medical Schools for Research. A Top 10 state demands a top 10 academic health system. CMS requires that hospitals utilize EHR technology that has been certified by the Office of the National Coordinator for Health IT. This transformational project will comply with those requirements. Epic requires a modernized, always-on-demand technology infrastructure. This project was designed by a team of architects/engineers with over 200 years of IT experience in the academic health industry.
Project Administration	Yes, I would administer the project	Resident County	
Support Qualified Census Tract	Yes		
Qualified Census Tracts to be Impacted	All qualified census tracts in Oklahoma could be impacted by this project.		

Project Impact

Impacted Counties	Statewide
Population Description	All OUH patients, internal and external providers and collaborative entities like OHCA, ODMHSAS, DHS, DOC, municipalities and others are affected by our outdated network and EHR system. Patients should not have to leave the state or often their hometown for cutting edge healthcare like advanced cancer treatment, pediatric services or specialty consultations. Patients and providers living in rural areas are disproportionately disadvantaged by OUH's current technology limitations. This transformation will enhance telehealth capabilities for specialized services that only OUH provides in Oklahoma and collaborative opportunities with providers in rural communities. It will allow for provider-to-provider consultations through sharing of electronic records. A modern patient portal will enhance digital health capabilities to all areas of Oklahoma and beyond. It will allow OUH to share data with other community resources (transportation, shelters, food banks, behavioral health, etc.).
# of Oklahomans to Benefit	1,000,000+

Maximize Funding

Other COVID-19 Relief Funds Received	No	Other COVID-19 Relief Funds Amount	
Pre-Existing Project/Program	Yes		
Matching/Co-Investment Available	Yes	Other Assets	\$160,000,000.00
Ongoing Investment Required	Able to continue operation without additional funding from the State of Oklahoma	Ongoing Investment Amount	
Ongoing Investment Description			
Revenue Generation	Yes	Revenue Generation Amount	\$0.00
Other Federal Funding	No		
Federal Grant Description			

Federal Grant Annual Amount	
Prior Funds Committed Description	This project was to be funded through operational revenues which decreased due to COVID-19. Patient volumes and revenue from elective surgeries fell while nursing costs increased. Still, the collaboration of UHA, OUHSC and OUH will contribute over \$160 million on top of this requested amount to complete the project.
Matching Co Investment Description	OU Health (private company), OUHSC, OU College of Medicine, Stephenson Cancer Center and the Oklahoma Children's Hospital via University Hospitals Authority have all contributed funds to the overall implementation of a new EHR system and network updates. They will provide more than \$160 million in addition to this request.

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