



**Community Health Aide Program (CHAP)
Tribal Assessment and Planning (TAP) Grant
Program Technical Assistance Webinar**

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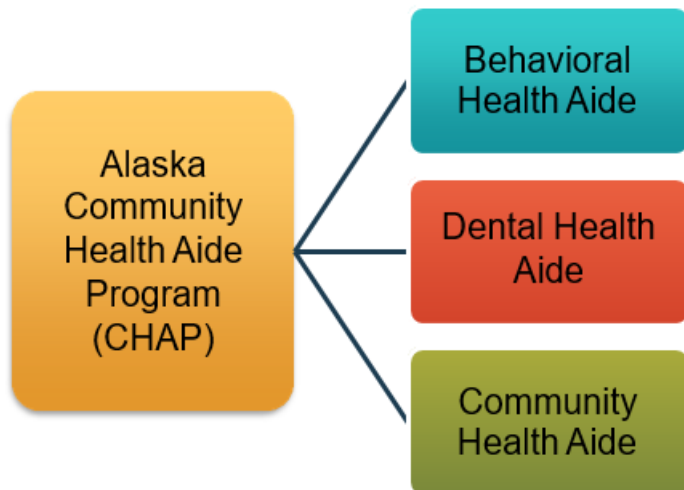


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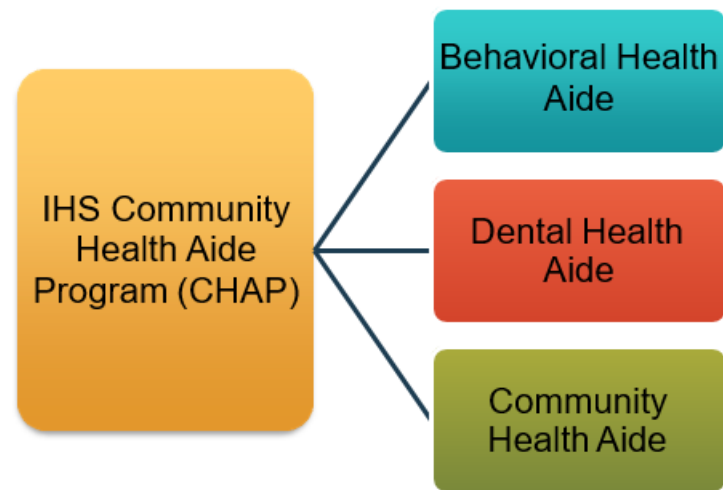
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Alaska CHAP



IHS National CHAP (Lower 48)



National Community Health Aide Program

The Community Health Aide Program (CHAP) includes three (3) different health aide provider types which each include a tiered level practice. Health aides do not practice independently, but under the direct/indirect supervision of a licensed clinician. These health aides are seen as extenders of their supervising clinician to provide direct patient care. Because health aides extend the provider, they expand the system of care and increase access to care and have the ability to mobilize healthcare.

Behavioral Health Aide

- Behavioral Health Aide I
- Behavioral Health Aide II
- Behavioral Health Aide III
- Behavioral Health Aide Practitioner

Supervising Clinician: Licensed Behavioral Health Provider (LICSW, LCSW, Psych, etc.)

Community Health Aide

- Community Health Aide I
- Community Health Aide II
- Community Health Aide III
- Community Health Aide IV
- Community Health Aide Practitioner

Supervising Clinician: Licensed Physician or Physician Assistant

Dental Health Aide

- Primary Dental Health Aide I
- Primary Dental Health Aide II
- Expanded Function Dental Health Aide I
- Expanded Function Dental Health Aide II
- Dental Health Aide Hygienist
- Dental Health Aide Therapist

Supervising Clinician: Licensed Dentist

CHAP Structure





CHAP Tribal Assessment & Planning (TAP) Grant

Providing support to Tribes and Tribal Organizations seeking to implement a CHAP



Purpose

The purpose of the TAP program is to support the assessment and planning of Tribes and Tribal Organizations (T/TO) in determining the feasibility of implementing CHAP in their respective communities. The program is designed to support the regional flexibility required for T/TO to design a program unique to the needs of their individual communities across the country through the identification of feasibility factors. The focus of the program is to:

1. Assess whether the T/TO can integrate CHAP into the Tribal health system, including the health care workforce.
2. Identify systemic barriers that prohibit the complete integration of CHAP into an existing health care system. The barriers should be related to:
 - Clinical infrastructure.
 - Workforce barriers.
 - Certification of providers.
 - Training of providers.
 - Inclusion of culture in the services provided by a CHAP provider.
3. Plan partnerships across the T/TO geographic region to address the barriers, including reimbursement, training, education, clinical infrastructure, implementation cost, and determination of system integration.



Eligibility

- A federally recognized Tribe as defined by 25 USC 1503(14)
- A Tribal Organization as defined by 25 USC 1603(26)
- An applicant to this announcement is ineligible to apply for the CHAP Tribal Planning and Implementation (TPI) Grant (HHS-2021-TPI-001)



CHAP TAP Grant Overview

- Funding Period: 2 years September 30, 2021-September 30, 2023
- Anticipated Number of Awards: 9
- Total Amount: \$4.68M
- Estimated Individual Award Amount: \$520,000
- Eligibility
 - Federally-Recognized Tribes
 - Tribal Organizations
- Estimated Application Due Date: September 6, 2021



CHAP TAP Grant Summary

Goal

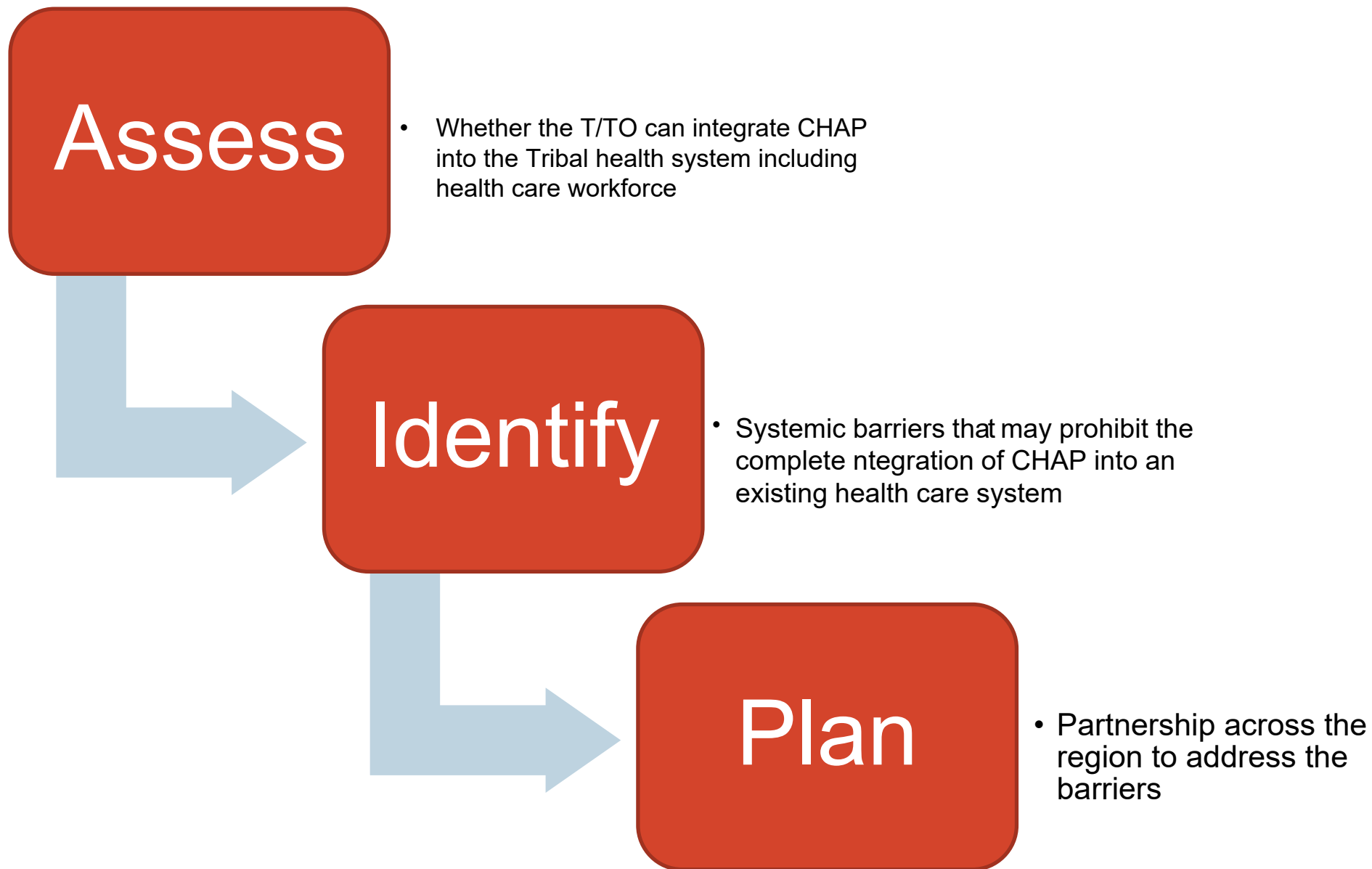
- To aid Tribes/Tribal Organization in assessing the feasibility on implementing CHAP into their existing Tribal health system

Objectives

- Assess whether the Tribe/Tribal Organization can integrate CHAP into the Tribal health system including the health care workforce
- Identify systematic barriers that prohibit the complete integration of CHAP that exist within the health care system related to clinical infrastructure, workforce barriers, certification of providers, training of provider, and the inclusion of culture in the services provided by a CHAP provider.
- Plan partners across the Tribe/Tribal Organization geographic region to address the systematic barriers that may include reimbursement, training, education, clinical infrastructure, implementation cost, and system integration.

Key Areas

- Clinical Infrastructure
- Workforce Barriers
- Training Infrastructure
- Cultural Inclusion
- Implementation Cost
- Determination of Implementation





Key Areas (Barriers & Partnerships)

Clinical Infrastructure

- Physical and human resource infrastructure

Workforce Barriers

- External factors that impact the health care workforce and its ability to provide care

Cultural Inclusion

- Ensuring culture is included in the scope of practice for health aides

Implementation Cost

- Quantifying cost associated with implementation

Determination of Implementation

- Upon assessment, is CHAP the right fit?



Application Anatomy

- **Part I- Program Information** (*4 pages*)
 - Section 1: Community Profile
 - Section 2: Health & Infrastructure Needs
 - Section 3: Organizational Capacity
- **Part 2- Program Plan** (*6 pages*)
 - Section 1: Program Plan
 - Section 2: Program Activities
 - Section 3: Staffing Plan
 - Section 4: Timeline
- **Part 3- Program Evaluation** (*5 pages*)
 - Section 1: Evaluation Plan
 - Section 2: Outcome Report



Part I: Program Information

- Section 1: Community Profile
 - Explain who you serve in the community
- Section 2: Health & Infrastructure Needs
 - Explain the health disparities and outcomes
- Section 3: Organizational Capacity
 - Explain the organizations health program activities



Part II: Program Plan

- Section 1: Program Plan
 - Explain the plans to carry out the grant and includes the problems identified and how to assess the problems
- Section 2: Program Activities
 - Explains in detail all the activities associated with the plan and a timeline
- Section 3: Staffing Plan
 - Explains who will carry out the plan and activities
- Section 4: Timeline
 - Provides a two year timeline for all activities and milestones



Part III: Program Evaluation

- Section 1: Evaluation Plan
 - Explains how the program activities derived from the problems are measured. Should also include a plan to calculate the total cost associated with implementation of CHAP.
- Section 2: Outcome Report
 - Explain the program activities and achievements and determine if CHAP is feasible for implementation organized into the five key areas identified.



Links to Grant

- CHAP Tribal Assessment & Planning Grant
 - [Federal Register](#)
 - [Grants.gov](#)
- CHAP Tribal Planning & Implementation Grant
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 - [Grants.gov](#)



Dates to Remember

- **August 11th**: CHAP Tribal Planning and Implementation (TPI) Grant Webinar
- **September 6th** : Deadline for Application Submission
- **September 30th** : Earliest Anticipated Start Date



Resources

- [IHS CHAP Site](#)
- [IHS Community Education](#)
 - [CHAP Policy Explained](#)
 - [CHAP Tribal Consultation & Implementation Priorities](#)
 - [CHAP Scope of Work](#)
 - [CHAP & CHR](#)
- [Alaska CHAP Site](#)
- [CHAP Policy](#)
- [CHAP TAG Charter](#)



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Technical Questions about grant application requirements

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