



Application Process

National Collaborative for Integration of Health and Human Services' *Integration Institute*

Purpose of the *Health and Human Services Integration Institute*:

APHSA's National Collaborative for Integration of Health and Human Services (H/HS), in collaboration with The Kresge Foundation, established the H/HS Integration Institute to provide a peer to peer experiential learning environment for states and localities, together with their strategic partners, to focus on improving population health and well-being. The Institute's focus is on achieving outcomes in communities, increasing the use of housing or other poverty-reducing supports, reducing downstream physical and/or behavioral health care costs, and utilizing more efficient and effective processes to sustain gains realized.

The H/HS Integration Institute has three (3) phases as follows:

Phase I – Webinar Series focusing on the principles of integration, the Health and Human Services Value Curve, leadership for integration, strategic partnerships, and analytics and creative financing leading to an integrated health and human services system (January – March 2017)

Phase II: Integration Self-Assessment and Change Plan Development (April-July). *Webinars tentatively set for May 11, 2017 at 2 pm EST and June 29, 2017 at 2:00 pm EST.*

Phase III: Individual Site Implementation Support (August-April 2018)

During Phase II and III, APHSA will establish an application process to select 5-7 teams to participate in the assessment and technical assistance phase.

The Application Instructions for Phase II

- The Health and Human Services agency, as the primary applicant, will complete the application that follows
- The HHS agency should consider which partners will participate in the assessment, e.g. community partners or agency partners
- The HHS agency should determine what type of health and human services integration work for which technical assistance is being sought
- The HHS agency should secure commitment from the partners to participate in the assessment and technical assistance phase of the Institute
- The assessment and technical assistance phase of the Institute will be conducted through webinar, individual site conference calls, and onsite consultation. The Institute team will need to be available to participate in each of these events

Competitive Selection Process

APHSa will review the applications and 5-7 teams will be selected to participate in Phase II and III of the Institute. Successful applications will demonstrate readiness and commitment to implement a change plan to improve integrated health and human services outcomes for children, youth and families.

Application for the Health and Human Services Integration Institute

Answer the following questions and submit to Anita Light at alight@aphsa.org by April 14, 2017. If you have questions about the application process, please contact Emily Campbell at ecampbell@aphsa.org

1. **What health and human services issues** would you like help in sorting through that the Institute technical assistance could help you address within your community?

This could include more than one issue and additional refinements to identification will occur with your Institute consultant.

2. **What are the challenges faced by the agency/community** related to the social determinants of health? What are some of your risk factors present in the community? How do you see the H/HS Integration Institute providing an opportunity to assist you in achieving success as you address this challenge(s)?

3. **Who is your target population** and what available information do you have to indicate that an integrated service delivery strategy is needed to make an impact on outcomes for this population? What are your demographics for your target population - who and how many will be served as a result of the work of the Institute, what are the demographics for this population – age, race, sex, education, employment status?

4. **Who are the partners** you plan to include on your Integration team in the assessment and technical assistance phase of the Integration Institute?

Recommended team size is 6-10 members

5. **Why do you believe your agency/community is in good position and ready** to make the needed changes to address the challenges identified above? Describe previous actions or attempts made by the agency to make system changes and how this effort will be different or an opportunity to leverage the strengths of your agency/community. Feel free to include information pertaining to lessons learned from previous implementation efforts.
6. **Do you have the ability to track your progress?** How will you know if your efforts in the H/HS Integration Institute produced success?