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TO: Joint Leadership Team and CLHO

FR: Small RWJ Grant group

RE: Proposed RWJ Grant Strategies, Deliverables and Outcomes

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation has invited Oregon to apply for a grant to advance the implementation of the foundational public health services. Ohio, Washington and Oregon are the three pilot states that will move this forward, with support from the Public Health National Center for Innovation (PHNCI). Each grantee will be awarded up to $250,000 over two years. Funds are expected to be available in March 2016.

The following proposal is the result of work by a group of state and local health officials who brainstormed goals, strategies, deliverables and outcomes for Oregon in response to the PHNCI opportunity.

**Proposed goals**

1. Advance the implementation of foundational public health services and public health accreditation in Oregon;
2. Contribute to the national body of knowledge on implementing foundational public health services, to help inform the development of a national model.

**Proposed strategies**

Strategy 1: Develop a set of tools (e.g. decision aids, model agreements, communication tools) to support the development of Modernization plans.

* Assess needs, identify existing tools and resources to meet needs and develop tools where necessary.
* Demonstrate alignment with accreditation efforts.
* Utilize resources available through the Center for Sharing Public Health Services.

Strategy 2: Provide support and technical assistance for developing Modernization plans.

* Contract with an outside organization to convene and facilitate regional stakeholder meetings to discuss strategies and barriers to implementation of foundational public health services. This may include discussions about cross-jurisdictional sharing or regional models.
* Provide technical support to use tools, identify local resources and address local challenges.
* Utilize resources or technical assistance available through The Public Health Law Network.

Strategy 3: Identify a coalition that will oversee implementation of innovations in Oregon that are necessary for adoption of the foundational public health services in all areas of the state.

Strategy 4: Work with the Public Health National Center for Innovations (PHNCI) to capture best and promising practices, measure progress and communicate results nationally.

* Propagate lessons learned and promising practices from other PHNCI grantees as they become available.
* Participate in a national evaluation, anticipated to be conducted by PHNCI.
* Attend meetings and otherwise participate in the PHNCI National Advisory Committee.
* Attend PHNCI grantee meetings as required.

**Proposed deliverables**

Deliverable 1: A set of tools for developing Modernization plans and implementing those plans.

Deliverable 2: 5-10 regional meetings held by the end of the grant period.

Deliverable 3: Each state and local public health authority has an outline or framework for a Modernization plan by the end of the grant period. Each state and local public health authority must submit a complete plan by 2023.

Deliverable 4: At least 5 complete Modernization plans submitted by the end of the grant period.

**Proposed outcomes:**

Outcome 1: By the end of the grant period, all areas of the state are engaged in the planning and building capacity for modernization implementation.

Outcome 2: By the end of the grant period, at least five areas of the state are ready to submit a Modernization plan.

Outcome 3: By the end of the grant period, Oregon will contribute a suite of tools, resources and sample plans for other states to use in order to implement the foundational public health services.