

## Rural Health Network Development Technical Assistance (TA) Plan, Fall 2017

The purpose of a TA Plan is to make it easier for you to access technical assistance for your network development grant project. This TA Plan document includes a listing of available TA opportunities, a custom list of requested TA that you identified earlier this year through the TA Assessment and a calendar of TA that your Network TA Team will be delivering through your first program year.

The Network TA team is available to your network by phone, 218-216-7033, or email, [networkTA@ruralcenter.org](mailto:networkTA@ruralcenter.org); please feel free to reach out to us at any time. Plus, check out our [Network Development TA webpage](#) that we keep up-to-date with upcoming TA and newly posted resources.

### What TA is available to you?

- **Check-In Calls** - your assigned TA Team member will host five 1:1 TA Check-In Calls for each year of your grant; talking with you about your project, getting updates on successes and struggles, and providing opportunity for questions and feedback.
- **Direct technical assistance** – our goal is to help you succeed with your grant goals and the Network TA Team invites you to reach out to us via phone or email with your network development questions and ideas.
- **Grantee Directory** – provide current grantee’s contact information to improve peer-to-peer communication.
- **Networking News** – a [newsletter](#) will be delivered via email to you including selected resources we think will be helpful to your work as network leaders, updates from your Project Officers, a [Network Spotlight](#) that highlights the work of one of your peers and a [Networking Article](#) written by a knowledgeable network leader.
- **Peer or Cohort Calls** - are designed as small group conversations to support relationship building and peer learning. This year a subject matter expert will be available during the call to provide deeper knowledge.
- **Reverse Site Visits and TA Site Visits** are available through selection processes as the number of grantee participants each year is limited. Contact your Network TA team member if you are interested in participating.
- **Webinars** – education and resources will be delivered to you using a combination of our phone conference line and Adobe Connect.
- **Website** –National Rural Health Resource Center, The Center and Rural Health Innovations, RHI, website provides useful resources for your program. Check out our [Resource Library](#) or visit our [website](#).

## Upcoming Learning Opportunities Calendar:

There will be regular learning opportunities throughout the year. Below is an initial calendar of TA opportunities for your first program year, 7/1/2017 – 6/30-2018. We are looking forward to supporting your work through these scheduled TA events: webinars, TA check-in calls, cohort calls and in-person meetings.

|  | TA Activity         | Date               | Topic  |
|--|---------------------|--------------------|--|
|  |                     | <b>2017</b>        |  |
|  | Webinar             | August 24          | Behind the Scenes with Strategic Planning Part I or II   |
|  | Network Summit      | Sept. 13-15        | Minneapolis/St. Paul, MN: Network Summit                 |
|  | TA Check-In Call    | Sept. 18 – Oct. 13 | Introduction Check – In Call                             |
|  | Webinar             | October 5          | Behind the Scenes with Strategic Planning Part II of II  |
|  | TA Check-In Call    | Nov. 13 – Dec. 12  | Strategic Planning Check-In and TA Plan                  |
|  | Webinar             | Dec. 14            | Evaluation Plan Toolkit for deliverable                  |
|  | Deliverable Due     | Dec. 31            | Strategic Plan   |
|  |                     | <b>2018</b>        |  |
|  | TA Check-In Call    | Jan. 29 – Feb. 23  | Focus: Evaluation Plan Check-In                          |
|  | Webinar             | February 21        | The Role of Networks in a Changing Health Care Landscape |
|  | All-Program Meeting | Feb. 27 – Mar. 01  | Rockville, MD: All Programs Meeting                      |
|  | Cohort Call         | March 01           | All Programs Meeting launching the 3 Cohorts             |
|  | Deliverable Due     | March 31           | Evaluation Plan  |
|  | Cohort Call         | April 4            | Topics: Care Coordination, Technology, Integration       |
|  | Webinar             | April 12           | Collaboration: Engaging Members and Partners             |
|  | TA Check – In Call  | April 16 – May 18  | Focus: Strategic and Evaluation Plan Review              |
|  | Reverse Site Visit  | May 21-22          | Minneapolis/St. Paul, MN<br>Topic: Care Coordination     |
|  | Webinar             | June 21            | Marketing Theory and Value Proposition                   |
|  | TA Check – In Call  | July 2 – 27        | Focus: TBD   |
|  | Cohort Call         | July 26            | Topic: Care Coordination, Technology, Integration        |
|  | Webinar             | August 16          | Marketing Toolkit for Deliverable                        |
|  | Reverse Site Visit  | September          | Topic and Date: TBD                                      |

*\* TA activity dates and topics are subject to change.*

## Deliverable Due Dates:

As part of the Network Development grant, there are grant five deliverables due through the coming three years. RHI will provide support in developing the required deliverables through educational webinars with topic guides and templates and one-on-one coaching.

- Strategic Plan: December 31, 2017 - **Complete**
- Evaluation Plan: March 31, 2018
- Marketing Plan: December 31, 2018
- Business Plan: July 31, 2019
- Opportunities for Sustainability: December 31, 2019