

## The Data Exchange Framework Grant Program

The California Governor and State Legislature allocated **\$50 million** for the Data Exchange Framework (DxF) Grant Program through 2024 to support health entities adopt and implement the DxF.

The program will prioritize investments for signatories operating in underresourced geographies and/or serving historically marginalized and underserved populations.

## **Available DxF Grants**

### Data Sharing Agreement (DSA) Signatory Grants

**NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS** 

Some DSA Signatories need support to achieve their DSA responsibilities.

See the <u>DSA Signatory Grants Guidance Document</u> for a comprehensive overview of the DSA Signatory Grants, details on eligibility, an overview of the application process, permissible use of funds, and more.

To apply for DSA Signatory Grants, applicants must have <u>signed the DSA</u>.

### Technical Assistance (TA) Grants

DxF Signatories may need funding to make operational and technical changes in their organizations to fulfill their DSA responsibilities.

DxF TA Grants are a "build-your-own-solution" grant domain in which Signatories will identify technical or operational solutions to help fulfill their DSA responsibilities, apply for funding, and manage grant reporting and funds disbursements, if awarded.

## QHIO Onboarding Grants

DxF Signatories may need assistance identifying and subsidizing the cost of connecting to a technology solution to achieve their DSA responsibilities.

QHIO Onboarding Grants will subsidize the cost of connecting to a Qualified Health Information Organization (QHIO). If awarded, QHIOs will manage grant reporting as well as receive the funds directly on behalf of Signatory grantees.

# Educational Initiative Grants ANNOUNCED DECEMBER 2022

California health and social services entities need support to understand DSA responsibilities.

The DxF Educational Initiative Grants fund nonprofit associations representing entities that sign the DSA to provide education and training for DSA Signatories. Activities funded by the grants can include — but are not limited to — webinars, training guides, or conference sessions.



Applications for these grants were due on October 31, 2022, and CalHHS announced the recipients in December 2022. The recipients and DxF resources can be found in the Appendix of the DSA Signatory Grants Guidance Document.





## **Overview of Permissible Uses of Funds**

#### **Technical Assistance Grants**

Grant funding can be used for the following purposes:

- Identifying and contracting with a technical solution that will help grantees achieve real-time data exchange in accordance with the DxF;
- 2. Implementing a technology solution capable of supporting real-time data exchange in accordance with the DxF;
- Adjusting, upgrading, or adopting a certified EHR or other Electronic Record System required to enable real-time data exchange in accordance with the DxF; or
- Creating and completing training for new operational and clinical workflows required to complete real-time data exchange in accordance with the DxF.

For information about TA Grants or the Grant Application Portal, contact CDII's contracted administrator PCG at DSAGrants@pcgus.com, 1-866-698-6525.

Submit TA Grant applications through the DxF Grant Portal.

### **QHIO Onboarding Grants**

- Offset QHIO Costs: Grant funding can be used to help cover QHIO fees and other QHIO costs associated with onboarding which may include:
  - Initial QHIO connection fees; or
  - The QHIO's costs to develop capabilities needed by the Signatory to exchange according to the terms of the DxF DSA and P&Ps.
- 2. **Offset Grantee Costs:** Grant funding can be used to cover Signatory costs associated with onboarding, which may include:
  - Configuration costs for the DSA Signatory's EHR or other electronic documentation system to enable their connection to the QHIO; or
  - DSA Signatory's cost to retain an IT personnel resource for onboarding.

To begin the QHIO Onboarding grant application process, contact CDII's contracted partner CAHIE at grantsupport@cahie.org.

## **DSA Signatory Grants Application Timeline**

CDII expects to accept Applications for each round per the following schedule:\*

Round	Schedule	Description
Round 1	CLOSED	
Round 2	June 30 – September 1	Rounds 2 and 3 are open to all DSA Signatories
Round 3	Fall 2023	

<sup>\*</sup>All dates are subject to change



