Examples of Common Products and Services

Below are examples of products and services that are typically eligible for support in the RHC Healthcare Connect Fund (HCF) Program. This list and accompanying descriptions are meant to assist in your selection of eligible products and services. Inclusion on this list does not guarantee funding. Similarly, products and services not listed below may be eligible for support. USAC makes a final determination on all funding requests after a formal review of all FCC Forms 462.

* Products and services marked with an asterisk are eligible for consortia applicants only

Construction

Costs incurred by either a service provider or health care provider for the construction of new network infrastructure or upgrades to existing infrastructure.

- Carrier-Owned Network Special Construction*
    - Infrastructure/Plant Upgrade*
    - Network Deployment*
- HCP-Owned Network Special Construction*
    - Construction Management Services*
    - Engineering*
    - Infrastructure/Plant Upgrade*
    - Inspection Services*
    - Make Ready*
    - Network Design*

Data

These connection technologies and services are part of the network infrastructure that enables transmission of data to and from a health care provider's site.

- Internet2 Annual Subscription
- Asynchronous Transfer Mode (ATM)
- Broadband over Power Lines (BPL)
- Cable Modem Service
- Dark Fiber
    - Recurring Charges (Lease of Fiber/Equipment; Maintenance)
    - Upfront Payments (Indefeasible Right of Use, Leases, & Equipment)*
- Data Circuits (e.g. T-1, T-3, partial T-1; DS-1, DS-3; OC-1, OC-3, STM-1, STM-3)
- Dedicated Internet Access (DIA)
- Digital Subscriber Line (DSL)
- Ethernet
- Ethernet Dedicated Internet Access (EDIA)
- Frame Relay
- Indefeasible Right Of Use
- Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN)
- Internet Access
- Leased Lit Fiber

- Microwave
- Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS)
- Satellite Service
- Switched Multimegabit Data Service (SMDS)
- Wide Area Network (WAN)
- Virtual Private Network (VPN)

Equipment

Network equipment necessary to make a broadband service functional.

- Antennas/Satellite Equipment (HCP Owned)
- Channel Service Unit/Data Service Unit (CSU/DSU)
- Computers, Servers, and Related Hardware (if used exclusively for network management)*
- Equipment Warranties
- Fiber Network Transport Equipment
- Firewall (HCP Owned or Leased)
- Maintenance Contracts
- Multiplexer
- Routers (HCP Owned or Leased)
- Switches (HCP Owned or Leased)

Installation

Reasonable and customary installation charges for eligible equipment and services (up to $5,000 in pre-discount costs per location).

- Installation Of Equipment
- Installation Of Recurring Services

Network Management Services*

Services that support network operations on a one-time or continuing basis. Individual applicants are not eligible to receive funding for network-based services as they are not considered to be a network. Managed Service Providers (MSPs) are third party organizations that provide essential services on a limited or continuous basis.

- Digital Data Service (DDS) (Geographic Information Systems)*
- Firewall Service *
- Network Maintenance*
- Network Management Software*
- Network Management System (NMS) MSP*
- Network Operation*
- Network Security MSP*
- Network Shared Infrastructure*
- Network Shared Maintenance*
- Professional Services*