



Specialty Dental Clinic Grant Program

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Budget Act of 2022 (Section 47, Chapter 45, Statutes of 2022) and the Budget Act of 2023 (Section 2.00, Chapter 12, Statutes of 2023) established the Specialty Dental Clinic Grant Program (Dental Program), which intends to improve access to oral health care for special health care needs populations through the development and expansion of specialty dental clinics. The Dental Program was developed to increase timely access, reduce geographic shortages, increase equity, and support quality of care, while also encouraging prevention services, early intervention, behavior support service and intervention, provider education, and community outreach activities that bring care to community sites. The California Health Facilities Financing Authority (CHFFA) was assigned the responsibility for developing the Dental Program, as well as awarding and administering the grants.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

The Dental Program's statute defines eligible applicants, which include, but are not limited to, primary care clinics, specialty clinics, community clinics, free clinics, surgical clinics, acute care hospitals, intermediate care facilities for the developmentally disabled, special hospitals, providers that are licensed with the medical or dental board of California, and dental colleges.

ELIGIBLE COSTS

- ❖ Construction of Real Property
- ❖ Purchase of Real Property
- ❖ Purchase of Mobile Dental Unit(s)
- ❖ Renovation/Remodeling
- ❖ Equipment/Furnishings

PROGRAM FUNDING

The Dental Program was allocated a total of \$50,000,000 in funding, all of which will be available for award during the first funding round. To ensure an equitable distribution of funds across the state, CHFFA has identified a regional distribution method for the first funding round. To view the maximum allocated amounts for each region and to check which region your county is assigned to, please see Section 5 of the Dental Program's guidelines, found on our website at <https://www.treasurer.ca.gov/chffa/dental/pdf/guidelines.pdf>. If funds remain after the first funding round, eligible entities may apply for funding without regard to maximum grant amounts per region. In any case, no grant may exceed \$5 million per individual grantee.

APPLICATION SUBMISSION DEADLINE

The first funding round will be opened in 2023. Dates will be announced and posted on CHFFA's website.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For additional information regarding the Dental Program or other funding opportunities through CHFFA, please visit our website at www.treasurer.ca.gov/chffa or call the main line at (916) 653-2799.
