

Dual Credit Healthcare FAQ

General Questions

Q1. What kinds of programs can apply?

A: The grant will support applications seeking to expand healthcare-related career and technical education dual credit programs. Therefore, the courses included in the application must be part of a Health Science Program of Study or degree plan.

Q2. How will applications be reviewed and awarded?

A: Applications will be collected and evaluated as they are received. Once evaluated, if the proposal meets all requirements, TWC will communicate with the applicant to award a grant and develop a contract. Funding will be awarded to eligible applications until funding runs out.

Q 3. Is this a reimbursement grant?

A: Grantees will draw their funds from TWC's Cash Draw and Expenditure Report (CDER) system. Grantees should be careful to not draw down more funds than their performance supports. If this happens, TWC will bill the grantee for funds owed back to the state.

Eligible Applicant Questions

Q4. Who can apply for a Dual Credit Healthcare grant?

A: Only Texas public community and technical colleges in partnership with a Texas public school district (SD) or open-enrollment charter school (OEC) may apply.

Q5. How many applications can a college district submit?

A: College districts may only submit one application. If multiple applications are received for the same applicant, the application received first will move to the next phase of review. All applications received from that applicant after that time will be disqualified.

Q6. Can applicants have more than one partner?

A: Yes, but the application must include a Letter of Agreement (LOA) from each partnering SD or OEC. See the application checklist for details on information to include in each LOA.

Eligible Program Questions

Q7. How many occupation pathway programs can we include in our application?

A: As many as the applicant wants as long as the programs leads to a healthcare credential/certification and the maximum amount requested does not exceed \$300,000 for all programs combined.

Q8. Do the programs have to lead to credentialing?

A: The proposed program must prepare students for and lead to a healthcare occupation credential.

Q9. Is the program required to be a dual credit program?

A: Yes

Funding Questions

Q10. How much funding is available for these grants?

A: \$3 million dollars

Q11. How much can we request in an application?

A: An applicant can request up to \$300,000.

Q12. What items will the grant pay for?

A: Allowable costs include: tuition and fees; curriculum acquisition or development costs; certification costs; and up to 10% of administrative costs. Please see the application for more information.

Q13. Will these grants pay for CTE equipment costs?

A: No.

Q14. Will these grants pay for building/structure expansion, modification, or development?

A: No.

Q15. How long will it take to get funds if our application is awarded?

A: As soon as the grant is executed (signed by all parties), the funds are available in the CDER system. However, if the grantee is new to TWC, it will take a few weeks to set up their account. Once an account is operational, the grantee can draw down funds and submit financial reports as required.

Q16. Is a match required awarded?

A: No. This grant does not require matching funds from applicants.

Application Questions

Q17. There are some CTE Programs of Study which may overlap in the coursework and certifications offered in other Programs. Can we count all students for the unduplicated student count?

A: Yes.

Q18. Who signs the Local Workforce Board Review Form?

A: A representative from your Local Workforce Development Board office must sign the form to provide labor market data and confirm that the occupation connected to the proposed program is a healthcare occupation and in high demand for the applicant's workforce development area (WDA).

Submission Questions

Q19. Where do I submit my application?

A: All applications must be submitted to: dchealthcare@twc.texas.gov

Q20. What happens after I submit an application?

A: The application is reviewed for eligibility, completion, prior performance with a TWC grant, and adherence to the program parameters. Applicants will be notified if their application is approved or denied. Approved applications will move to the contracting phase. Once an agreement is fully executed, the grant period starts and expenditures may begin. Pre-award costs are not eligible for reimbursement under the grant.

Q22. If we are not awarded a grant, will evaluator notes be available to the applicant?

A: Applicants who did not receive funding can submit an email to dchealthcare@twc.texas.gov and request feedback pertaining to their application.

Other Questions

Q23. Who may I contact if I have questions about the application or grant?

A: Email all other questions to dchealthcare@twc.texas.gov