

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
OFFICE OF THE HEALTHCARE ADVOCATE  
STATE INNOVATION MODEL PROGRAM MANAGEMENT OFFICE**

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) FOR CCIP TRANSFORMATION AWARDS**

**FOURTH Addendum**

**RELEASE DATE – 08-4-2016**

The SIM PMO's official responses to questions submitted as of noon, August 4, 2016 are as follows:

- 1. Question: It has been indicated in the CCIP Report (Page 47) that Practice Transformation Network participating entities are not eligible for a SIM funded Transformation Award. Although not in writing, I recall a statement expressing that providers/entities that receive a federal Accountable Health Communities Grant will also not be eligible for a SIM funded Transformation Award. Is my understanding about Transformation Award eligibility related to AHC grants correct? If it is correct, given that AHC grant awards will not be announced until early 2017, is it the PMO's expectation that MQISSP Advanced Network applicants that commit to meeting the CCIP standards in their first performance year will apply for a Transformation Award irrespective of whether they have submitted a AHC grant application and any Transformation Award made to an Advanced Network would be rescinded if that Advanced Network receives an AHC grant?**

Response: There is no prohibition on entities that receive a federal Accountable Health Communities Grant from applying for and receiving a CCIP Transformation Award. It is correct that Practice Transformation Network participating entities are not eligible for a SIM funded Transformation Award, with exceptions noted in previous addenda.

- 2. Question: An entity is considering joining the Southern New England Practice Transformation Network (SNEPTN). How would that entity's enrollment in the SNEPTN impact their eligibility under CCIP for a transformation award and for services provided by the CCIP Transformation Vendor?**

Response: Entities that are participating in, or that intend to participate in the CMMI PTN initiative during the transformation period (January 1, 2016 – March 31, 2017) are exempt from the CCIP standards. Moreover, they are **neither** eligible to apply for CCIP Transformation Awards **nor** eligible to receive services provided by the CCIP Transformation Vendor. If an entity is uncertain as to its participation in PTN, the entity may submit an application for a Transformation Award. Receipt of the award will be dependent in part on the entity's final decision with respect to PTN participation.

- 3. Question: Can you please confirm the due date of the CCIP application is August 18th?**

Response: Yes, the application for CCIP Transformation Awards is August 18, 2016.

- 4. Question: Can an applicant for a Transformation Award include Southwest AHEC as a subcontractor partner?**

Response: Southwest AHEC is a subcontractor to the SIM PMO. Their scope of work includes the SIM funded Community Health Worker initiative and may include the provision of technical assistance to CCIP Participating Entities and assessment of performance in relation to the CCIP standards. Accordingly, Southwest AHEC cannot be included as a proposed subcontractor in an application for Transformation Awards.