

Emerging Health Innovators (EHI)

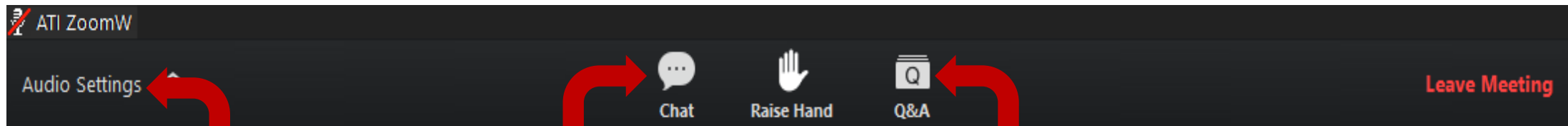
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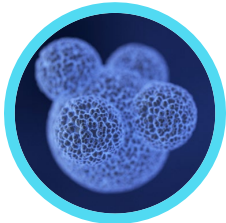
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Mission

Accelerate better health outcomes for everyone.



ARPA-H: the ARPA Model at Work for Health



HOW?

We are a unique funding agency by design



WHO?

Problem-focused Program Managers drive innovation



WHAT?

We are seeking radical change

Attributes that Support the Mission

Radical Change

ARPA-H investments should seek to address seemingly impossible barriers in demonstrating “proof of concept” for solutions to major challenges—not incremental advances.

Autonomy

PMs practice “full contact” management to maintain vision and deliver results, with metrics/ milestones for program, empowered to stop underperforming projects.

Term limits

Terms limited to 3 years (renewable once for 6 total years) for PMs, Office Directors, and Deputy Directors, allowing inflow of new ideas.

Success for ARPA-H is defined by real-world impact



ARPA-H Key Features and Authorities

ARPA-H has unique structures and legal authorities that allow it to **function like a business – quickly, nimbly, and decisively.**

- ARPA-H is a **funding agency**
- **Independent** component of HHS
- No internal research labs; **disease agnostic**
- Generally **fund outcome-based contracts**, not grants; accelerated award timelines
- Unique **FDA reimbursement authority**

FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
\$1B	\$1.5B	\$1.5B	Request: \$1.5B



Lean and nimble management structure with autonomy in decision-making.

ARPA-H Director **reports directly to HHS Secretary**



Term limits of 3-6 years bring urgency and idea flow.

Flexibility in hiring allows ARPA-H to recruit at levels competitive with industry.



Bottom-up decision-making. Program Managers have autonomy to make decisions quickly.

ARPA-H is a problems focused organization.

ARPANET-H: Hub & Spoke Network

A nationwide health innovation network connecting +585 members across the health ecosystem.

Spokes (members) of ARPANET-H:

- Help inform ARPA-H's research priorities and program needs
- Support teaming and collaborating
- Gain opportunities for dialogue with ARPA-H Program Managers
- Can participate in ARPANET-H only Events
- Are eligible for nimble R&D opportunities



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Customer Experience (CX) Hub

The CX Hub focuses on ensuring future health care advancements are patient-centric and deliver improved outcomes by:

- Aiding in the design of desirable products and services by co-creating features with end-users
- Engaging diverse, representative populations across ethnicity, region, and other dimensions
- Connecting technical experts, community leads, and research infrastructure providers



Emerging Health Innovators (EHI) Initiative

What is the EHI Initiative?

- **Ensures agency identifies and engages** early-career investigators and community innovators, known as performers, to address gaps in U.S. health care.

- **Funds the next generation of health innovators** to develop cutting-edge biomedical and health research.



EHI Network Survey

Keys Challenges

Institutional funding limitations (e.g., project caps)

Resource limitations (e.g., dedicated staff for proposal preparation)

Limited funding opportunities for community-engaged research

NETWORK SURVEY

Survey Audience

- Early-career investigators (<10 y from appointment)
- Community innovators (e.g., nurse, social worker, educator)
- Administrators at academic institutions and MSIs (e.g., VP Research)
- Administrators at community-based organizations (e.g., executive director, practice manager)

Network Survey Outcomes

Topics

for community-centered innovation

Research Barriers

at MSIs and community-based organizations

Funding Barriers

at MSIs and community-based organization

Informed Solicitation

responsive to needs

Future EHI Solicitation

Two tracks for innovation, one goal



Track #1: Technology-Driven Innovation

- Engage performers conducting biomedical and health research to develop innovative technologies
- Eligible applicants are early-career investigators in academic/research institutions including MSIs



Track #2: Community-Centered Innovation

- Engage performers conducting community-engaged research to develop innovative technologies, tools, and platforms in health research
- Eligible applicants are community innovators at community-health centers, non-profit organizations and faith-based organizations

EHI Award Details

- Award period of 24-months, with possible 12-month extension

Track 2 - Community-Based Organizations

Two tracks for innovation, one goal

Community-Based Organizations (CBOs) are Non-profit Entities



1. Majority of the governing body and staff consists of local residents
2. The main operating offices are in the community
3. Priority issue areas are identified and defined by residents
4. Solutions to address priority issues are developed with residents
5. Program design, implementation, and evaluation components have residents intimately involved in leadership positions

Community Innovators can be
nurses, social workers, educators, executive directors,
practice manager, physicians, physical therapists,
anyone engaged in community care at a CBO

Additional information

- Virtual "Industry Day - Doing business with ARPA-H" on November 13, 2024, from 10 AM - 4 PM ET
 - Organized and led by the Business Innovation Division (BID)
 - [SAM.gov](https://sam.gov)



EHI Tentative Timeline



Mid November | Solicitation Release



Early December | Proposers' Day



Early January | Three Page Solution Summary



Early March | Proposals



April / May | Negotiation and Award

Emerging Health Innovators

- Draws on the ARPANET-H Network to source feedback at scale
- Spoke membership is not a requirement to complete survey
- Deadline to provide feedback is October 25, 2024, by 11:59PM ET



Network Survey Link

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Customer Experience Hub
PART OF THE ARPANET-H HEALTH INNOVATION NETWORK

Thank you for joining the ARPANET-H Customer Experience Hub's Information Session on the Emerging Health Innovators (EHI) Network Survey. Your engagement is vital.

We want to hear from you!



Complete the survey