

**The Charlotte Area Health Education Center  
(AHEC)/State Employees Credit Union (SECU)  
Mini-Grant**



**Grant Aim:**

With an aim to provide practices with assistance for supports or services that are not directly funded by an existing grant, we have created a unique project for selected providers within the 8-county Charlotte AHEC region. Funded through a partnership with the State Employees Credit Union (SECU), Charlotte AHEC invites you to submit a proposal to participate.

**Accepted proposals are eligible for up to:**

- \$5,000 dollars in matching funds for technology supports (i.e. cost of bidirectional connection with NC HealthConnex, telehealth platform, patient portal enhancements, patient health data platform) – matching amount will be paid to award recipients upon receipt of their paid invoice
- \$2500 dollars towards Charlotte AHEC educational programs for continuing professional development for your team
- \$1500 dollars towards expanded access to Charlotte AHEC Library services
- Multiple proposals may be submitted
- Award recipients will only receive funding for one project

**Proposal eligibility guidelines:**

- Project utilizes funds to promote positive health outcomes in North Carolina
- Eligible organizations provide, coordinate, or support medical care
- Eligible organizations must be within the Charlotte AHEC region (Anson, Cabarrus, Cleveland, Gaston, Lincoln, Mecklenburg, Stanly, or Union counties)

**Submission criteria:**

Submit applications to [Charlotteahecpracticesupport@charlotteahec.org](mailto:Charlotteahecpracticesupport@charlotteahec.org)

- Project description to include (500-word max)
  - Target population
  - How the award will be used to improve health
  - Details about how the requested funds will be spent and a justification of the expenses
  - Projected timeline for use of the funds

**Selection Process:**

Up to ten projects will be selected. Submissions will be blinded and individually scored by members of the project selection team. Scoring criteria includes:

- The quality of the proposal and potential for further project development
- Feasibility to improve health of target group
- Appropriateness of budget and project period request
- All submissions required by September 11th
- Applicants will be notified of decision on September 30th
- Contact [charlotteahcpracticesupport@charlotteahc.org](mailto:charlotteahcpracticesupport@charlotteahc.org) with any questions