

2026 Tennessee RHTP Funding Opportunities Are Here. Is Your Organization Ready?

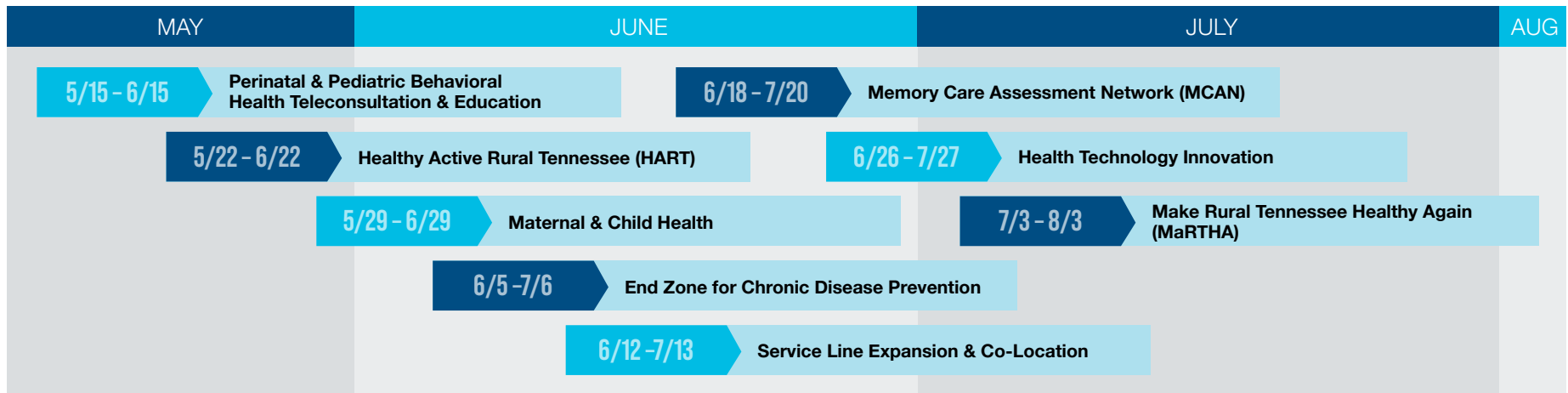
Tennessee is launching a series of competitive Rural Health Transformation Program (RHTP) funding opportunities designed to strengthen access to care, improve health outcomes, modernize healthcare delivery, and support long-term sustainability across rural communities. With many opportunities expected to have approximately 30-day response windows, organizations may benefit from evaluating potential opportunities before individual Request for Applications (RFAs) are released.

Why This Matters

RHTP is more than a funding opportunity. It has the potential to enable improved care for millions of people. Successful applicants will need to demonstrate community need, measurable outcomes, operational readiness, sustainability, and alignment with Tennessee's rural health priorities. Many Tennessee RHTP opportunities are expected to have compressed response windows. Early planning may help organizations evaluate fit, identify implementation considerations, and prepare required materials before application deadlines arrive.

Key Tennessee RHTP 2026 Timeline

Current Tennessee Department of Health schedules indicate a rapid release cadence for multiple funding opportunities. Dates remain subject to change.



Additional RFA opportunities are expected later this summer addressed on other statewide initiatives. Final requirements will not be known until individual RFAs are released.

2026 Tennessee RHTP Funding Opportunities

Could Your Organization Be a Good Fit?

- Expanding or redesigning services to meet community needs
- Improving maternal and child health outcomes
- Advancing telehealth or technology initiatives
- Developing population health or chronic disease programs
- Exploring service line expansion or co-location strategies
- Strengthening data infrastructure and reporting capabilities
- Building sustainable programs with measurable outcomes

Successful Applications Are Likely to Require

- Defined community need and target population
- Clear goals, implementation strategies, and workplans
- Measurable outcomes and evaluation metrics
- Community and stakeholder engagement
- Sustainability planning
- Budget narrative and operational readiness

Details about Tennessee's RHTP funding opportunities are available at tn.gov/health/rural.

How PYA Can Help

PYA works with rural providers on initiatives that improve access, strengthen operations, support financial sustainability, and connect communities to the broader continuum of care.

PYA is already assisting healthcare organizations as they prepare for future RHTP opportunities. Our team can help evaluate alignment with upcoming initiatives, identify operational considerations, and support planning efforts before application deadlines arrive.

- RFA planning support
- Application development assistance
- Workplan and implementation planning
- Evaluation metrics and outcome planning
- Sustainability planning
- Supporting material generation
- Technology and telehealth strategy
- Service line planning and expansion strategies
- Population health and transformation initiatives
- Physical space conversions such as telehealth-enabled consultation suite development and observation and swing bed conversion through PYA's affiliate, Realty Trust Group

