OHIO RURAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION August, 2022 Newsletter



Hello Rural Health Advocates,

I want to say a huge THANK YOU to all our sponsors, vendors, presenters and attendees who made our 2022 conference a success!

It was wonderful to be back in person, sharing time together and learning how we can improve rural health care in Ohio. You are doing wonderful things in our communities - it is encouraging to our organization to know so many of you are sharing in our mission to improve the quality of Ohio's rural health care.

Presentation slides can now be found at https://www.ohioruralhealth.org/conference/2022-ohio-rural-health-conference-agenda.

For those that attended the survey, please complete our survey at https://tinyurl.com/conferenceeval22 The survey link will be open until Monday, August 22nd.

Thank you again for your time and passion.

Sharon Casapulla President Ohio Rural Health Association

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Your voice is important to us. We need your insight - please complete our rural health survey and help us learn what we can do to improve the quality of life for our rural communities.

Everyone who has completed the survey will be entered into a drawing to win a \$25 Amazon card. The survey will be open until midnight, August 30th.

Survey:

https://osu.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_78wCBtks2gLMAzI

Rural Health Policy Update



Appropriations: In July, the House passed a Fiscal Year 2023 "minibus" funding bill. The bill included funding for a number of federal agencies, including the FDA. The package did not include funding for HHS, which the House had targeted before the August recess but will now stretch into September. The House Appropriations Labor-HHS Subcommittee released its draft FY 2023 spending bill in late June. The bill includes \$12.5 million for the State Offices of Rural Health grant program (\$12.5 million is the same as currently authorized). Also included in the House bill was \$68 million for Medicare Rural Hospital Flexibility (Flex) grant program. If passed into law, this would be an increase of almost \$6 million from FY 22 funding (\$62.2 million).

Read more:

https://nosorh.org/rural-health-policy-update-august-2022/

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