



GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF
COMMUNITY HEALTH

NOTICE OF DIRECT AWARD

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER CONSORTIUM

**SMALL RURAL HOSPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
(SHIP)**

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DIRECT AWARD JUSTIFICATION

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AGENCY BACKGROUND	The Georgia Department of Community Health (DCH) was created in 1999 by Senate Bill 241 and has the responsibility for insuring over two million people in the State of Georgia, maximizing the State's health care purchasing power, coordinating health planning for State agencies and proposing cost-effective solutions for reducing the number of uninsured. Within DCH, the State Office of Rural Health (SORH) serves Georgians by improving access to health care in rural and underserved areas to improve health status and reduce health disparities.
PROGRAM OVERVIEW	<p>The Department of Community Health, State Office of Rural Health provides funding for institutional framework that links small rural communities with State & Federal resources to help develop long-term solutions to rural health problems.</p> <p>The primary objectives include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Empower communities to strengthen and maintain the best possible health care using existing resources.• Provide up-to-date health systems information and technical assistance.• Build strong partnerships to meet local and regional needs.• Provide incentives to local areas to implement integrated service delivery systems.• Be the single point of contact for all regional issues related to health care.
AWARD JUSTIFICATION	<p>The Georgia Department of Community Health intends to award Draffin and Tucker \$100,837.00 to serve as the lead grantee and financial agent in the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) Consortium. The purpose of the consortium is to provide an educational forum for the exchange of information relating to Value Based Purchasing, Payment Bundling, Prospective Payment System, and Accountable Care Organizations to 11 CFO is governing Georgia's Critical Access Hospitals.</p> <p>DCH presents this funding as a direct award in that Draffin and Tucker meets the federal requirements.</p>
AWARD(S)	TOTAL DIRECT AWARD FUNDS AVAILABLE: \$100,837.00

TO SUBMIT INQUIRIES TO THIS DIRECT AWARD NOTIFICATION

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