



HOME RUN Workforce Investment Categories

The HOME RUN Investment Program is designed to strengthen Hawaii's rural healthcare workforce by supporting provider recruitment, provider retention, workforce advancement, and practice sustainability. The following categories are intended to guide program priorities and funding discussions.

Rural Practice Leadership and Sustainability – Up to \$200,000 per Individual

Purpose:

Support healthcare professionals whose leadership helps sustain access to care, workforce development, and healthcare infrastructure in rural communities.

Examples:

- Independent practice owners
- Physician relocating from the mainland (or Oahu) to rural community
- Rural clinic founders providing clinical care
- Providers employing and mentoring healthcare professionals
- Practices serving a high percentage of Medicaid, Medicare, or uninsured patients
- Providers supporting student rotations, residency training, or workforce pipeline activities

Potential Outcomes:

- Sustained access to care
- Increased workforce development opportunities
- Preservation of independent rural practices
- Expansion of healthcare services and clinical capacity

Potential Participants:

Healthcare professionals who demonstrate leadership in maintaining or expanding rural healthcare access through practice ownership, workforce development, mentoring, teaching, or community-based healthcare infrastructure.

Guiding Principle

HOME RUN investments are intended to support workforce outcomes rather than organizational size. Funding decisions will prioritize the workforce needs of rural communities, the anticipated impact on healthcare access, and the long-term sustainability of Hawaii's healthcare workforce.

