



Minnesota's TEFT Grant

TEFT is a four year Planning and Demonstration Grant awarded to the MN Department of Human Services (DHS) by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) for **T**esting **E**xperience and **F**unctional **T**ools in Community-Based Long Term Services and Supports (TEFT) – April 1, 2014 through March 31, 2018.

Other states participating: NH, MD, AZ, CO, GA, KY, LA, 1 other tbd

What are TEFT's Deliverables?

1. Demonstrate use of an untethered Personal Health Record (PHR) system with beneficiaries of CB-LTSS;
2. Identify, evaluate and test an electronic Long Term Services and Supports (e-LTSS) standard with the Office of National Coordinator's (ONC) Standards and Interoperability (S&I) Framework Process;
3. Field test a beneficiary experience survey within multiple CB-LTSS programs for validity and reliability; and
4. Field test a modified set of Continuity Assessment Record and Evaluation (CARE) functional assessment measures for use with beneficiaries of CB-LTSS programs.

What is TEFT's Budget?

- The Project budget is \$4,000,000 over four years. The initial six month planning phase budget is up to \$500,000.

How does TEFT Fit with Other EHR Initiatives in MN?

1. TEFT's six-month planning period will include current stakeholders in:
 - MDH MN e-Health Initiative
 - MDH Office of Health Information Technology
 - Regional Extension Assistance Center for Health IT
 - DHS' Health Care Administration
 - DHS' Continuing Care Administration
 - Special Needs Purchasing
 - Chemical and Mental Health
 - Managed Care Organizations
 - Lead Agencies
 - Health Care Providers
 - Home and Community-based Providers (HCBS)
 - Advocates/Consumers

- Others
- 2. Complements the Minnesota Accountable Health Model by providing additional resources so integrated community service delivery models can share health care, behavioral health, HCBS and community prevention services information for person-centered/activated care.

Where Can I Learn More About TEFT?

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- TEFT Information at <http://www.medicaid.gov/AffordableCareAct/Provisions/Community-Based-Long-Term-Services-and-Supports.html>