
TITLE : ASSESSMENT CRITERIA FOR NEW AND EXPANDED
HACC PROGRAM FUNDING

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1. Purpose

The purpose of this bulletin is to identify the criteria for agencies proposing to introduce expanded program initiatives using all or part HACC revenues supplied by the Department of Health (DOH).

2. Background

The DOH seeks to encourage innovation in service delivery. Recurrent HACC or State's own funds will only be provided to agency projects that have received prior approval. Approval will be subject to demonstrated compliance with HACC purchasing plans (published annually in the HACC Program Plan).

3. Assessment Criteria

DOH will apply the assessment criteria for new and expanded program funding to assess business plans that include the following components:

- Objectives
- Costs and funding sources
- Impact on current services
- Desired outcome and outcome measures
- Demonstrated benefits
- Evaluation method

The applicant's business plan will be assessed according to the project's ability to deliver on the following:

- Cost efficiencies for the program
- Longer term benefits for clients and the program
- Enhancing outcomes for clients (generally)

- Generating more integrated service provision
- Addressing service inequities (access for clients)
- Reducing service duplication
- Relating to the priorities of the HACC Annual Program Plan and the triennial aged care plan
- Complying with the DOH Growth Funding Application Guidelines.

Ideally, the proposal would strive towards achieving cost neutrality or, depending on the health care intended health outcomes, relative cost neutrality.