

**Coos Economic Action Plan  
Health Care Technical Review Committee -- Recommendation Three  
Collaborative Care Models to Sustain Rural Health Care**

**Project Goal:** Provide capacity for the county’s health care providers, community leaders and policy makers to learn about alternative models of care delivery and to determine the applicability, feasibility and impact of systems changes in the delivery of health care services that would ensure sustainability and accessibility to services for the region’s population.

<b>Action Step</b>	<b>Task</b>	<b>Start Month</b>	<b>Duration</b>	<b>Responsible Party and Funding</b>
1.0	Submit funding request to Tillotson Funds for \$70,000	1	1	Upper Connecticut Valley Hospital (UCVH)
1.1	Study of collaborative models of care completed by consultant	2	6	Project Consultant
1.2	Report out to the hospitals and their boards on possible models for consideration	7	2	UCVH, Androscoggin Valley Hospital (AVH), Weeks Medical Center (Weeks)
1.3	Feasibility and financial studies conducted. Cost is ~\$100,000	9	12	Project Consultant
2.0	Submit a funding proposal to the Endowment for Health for \$30,000 to hire a consultant to provide education and facilitation to providers and community leaders on alternative models of care for rural regions	9	2	NCHC
2.1	Facilitate community and provider meetings around the county on models of care in rural areas that will provide sustainability for health care.	12	4	NCHC
3.0	Determine next steps and opportunities for collaborating or consolidating the management of health care organizations	15	3	UCVH, AVH, Weeks