

# ARPA ELIGIBILITY CHECKLIST

**PROJECT NAME (OR BILL #)** LB 721

IS THIS PROJECT A **CAPITAL EXPENDITURE** Yes XXX No \_\_\_\_\_  
 (I.E. FOR ACQUISITION OF ASSETS OR TO MAKE IMPROVEMENTS, MODIFICATIONS, OR RENOVATIONS TO A CAPITAL ASSET)?

IS THIS USE SUPPORTING THE **PUBLIC HEALTH RESPONSE** AS ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

	Yes	No
COVID-19 PREVENTION AND MITIGATION	X	
MEDICAL SERVICES	X	
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CARE	X	
PREVENTING AND RESPONDING TO VIOLENCE		X

IS THIS USE RESPONDING TO A **NEGATIVE ECONOMIC IMPACT** AS ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

	Yes	No
ASSISTANCE TO HOUSEHOLDS		
ASSISTANCE TO SMALL BUSINESSES (LESS THAN 500 EMPLOYEES)	X	
ASSISTANCE TO NONPROFITS	X	
AID TO IMPACTED INDUSTRIES (TRAVEL, TOURISM, AND HOSPITALITY, OR SIMILARLY IMPACTED INDUSTRIES)	X	
PUBLIC SECTOR CAPACITY	X	

IF THE USE IS RESPONDING TO A **NEGATIVE ECONOMIC IMPACT**, PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

- What is the class that experienced the impact? Identify the class of individuals, small businesses, nonprofits, or industry. Health Care industry workforce shortage. This affected health care businesses, and individuals seeking health care.
- What harm did the identified class suffer due to COVID-19, such as a revenue or employment loss? Clinics and hospitals had to transfer patients due to staffing shortages. Pending retirements will aggravate this situation. Individuals seeking health care were variously turned away, referred to other providers, or chose not to seek care.
- What was the magnitude of the harm and what data demonstrates this? COVID-19 has a tremendous negative impact on the quality of and access to healthcare for our students, faculty, staff, our healthcare workers, and the people of Nebraska.
- Explain how the response is reasonably related to the harm? Increasing labor pools across medical and health care fields will improve ability of employers to staff according to industry standards.
- Explain how the response is designed to benefit the impacted class and proportionate to the harm suffered? Rural Nebraska suffered from healthcare workforce shortages prior to the pandemic, but the situation was greatly exacerbated. This initiative will strategically target increased supply of trained individuals with the intent to serve in rural Nebraska.

IS THIS USE PROVIDING **PREMIUM PAY**: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No X

IS THIS USE AN **INVESTMENT IN WATER, SEWER, OR BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE**: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No X