



# Express Delivery

Colorado Rural Health Center

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## NRHA Conferences in Denver

The National Rural Health Association (NRHA) is hosting its 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Clinical Conference and 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Quality Conference in Denver, July 26-29, 2006. To support the National Rural Health Association, and our Investing Members, **we're offering to pay the mileage costs** – and that's a big deal with today's prices! – to attend these workshops for the first 10 rural Investing Members that request it. Let us know if you're planning to attend. The Quality Conference, "Advancing Safe and Effective Health Care for Rural America," will take place July 26-27. This conference will focus on using cultural change to increase quality in healthcare facilities. The Clinical Conference, "You Are Not Alone: Providing Quality Care in a Rural Setting," will focus on healthcare in rural and frontier areas and will allow workforce providers to network and learn from one another. Both conferences will be held at the Sheraton Denver West in Lakewood.




For more information about these conferences and for registration information, please visit NRHA's website, <http://www.nrharural.org/conferences/>; or, please call CRHC at 800-851-6782 or 303-832-7493 for more information.

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## Grant Writing Class

The Colorado Rural Health Center realizes that there is an ever-increasing need for grant funding. Grant proposal writing skills are becoming a necessity. In March, CRHC invested \$375 for five Investing Members to take an on-line grant proposal writing course offered by Fort Hays University. Participants have told us, "I enjoyed the class. The information was well presented and not hurried. Some of the other classes I have attended were too concentrated - too much information in such a short amount of time," and "I was able to work at my own pace, and the textbook is a wonderful resource that I'll use every time I write a grant."



The two-month on-line grant proposal writing course will again be offered beginning July 17. It is designed for students to work independently, but also to have the opportunity to converse with other students via chat room. During the eight week course, students will learn, step-by-step, how to build a strong, effective proposal. Students receive a training manual, instructor video, study questions, and certificate of completion. No travel is involved, as all course activities are done over the internet. The cost is \$150 per person and 10 CEUs are provided to those professionals who require them. CRHC wants to assist those rural Investing Organizational Members in acquiring the skills they need to secure available grant funds. We will scholarship one half of the cost of one person from an organization to participate in the class. The scholarship is limited to the first five responses we receive, and applicants must be rural Investing Organizational Members to participate. The course starts on July 17, so **HURRY** and contact Kathy McCune at 303-832-7493 or [km@coruralhealth.org](mailto:km@coruralhealth.org) for more information and the registration form.

Please contact CRHC at (303) 832-7493 for more information.

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## Upcoming Deadlines

CRHC's **CROP** (Colorado Rural Outreach Program) loan repayment grant program's Fall 2006 deadline is **October 2, 2006**. For more information, please visit our website at <http://www.coruralhealth.org/crhc/crop>, or call Clint Cresawn at 800-851-6782.

CRHC's new **EMS Recruitment and Retention Grant** Program's Fall 2006 deadline is **September 18, 2006**. For more information, please visit our website at <http://www.coruralhealth.org/crhc/resources/EMSGrants.html>, or call Clint Cresawn at 800-851-6782.

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