



Broadband Opportunities in the Commonwealth

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FCC Rural Health Care Pilot Program

Challenges

And

Opportunities

Virginia Acute Stroke Telehealth (VAST)

UVA submitted proposal for \$1,716,976.

Nov 2007 FCC awarded UVA \$2,701,276

FCC Rural Health Care Pilot Program

- Key Stakeholders
 - Dr. Karen Rheuban UVA
 - Kathy Wibberly VDH
 - Karen Jackson CIT
 - Dr. Nina Solenski UVA
 - Cynthia Berrigan VTN

FCC Rural Health Care Pilot Program

▪ Challenges

- FCC disallowed funding for management
- UVA is legally and fiscally responsible
- Letter of Agency
- Non eligible sites must pay “fair share”
- Changing guidance and rules
- Sustainability requirement

FCC Rural Health Care Pilot Program

- Opportunities
 - Five year funding window
 - Rural and urban participation
 - Competitive bidding required
 - Technology neutral

FCC Rural Health Care Pilot Program

- 2009 Goals
 - Identify initial participants
 - Letter of Agency
 - Post FCC Form 465 and Issue RFP
 - Select vendor and begin service

Commonwealth's Broadband Roundtable

- Convened by Governor Kaine
- Co Chair Aneesh Chopra
- Co Chair Mark Warner
- Map Broadband availability
- Develop a toolkit for decision makers
- www.otpba.vi.virginia.gov

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Develop public private partnerships

Business, Education, Health Care

Leverage existing assets

Technology neutral

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