

ARIZONA STATE OFFICE OF RURAL HEALTH (AzSORH)

The Arizona State Office of Rural Health (AzSORH) Program provides the infrastructure to identify, track and engage with ongoing and emerging issues impacting individuals, communities, and health systems in Arizona’s rural communities.

Since 1990, AzSORH has been continuously funded and is housed at the University of Arizona Health Sciences Zuckerman College of Public Health within the Arizona Center for Rural Health (AzCRH). It is designated and funded by the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS), Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Federal Office of Rural Health Policy (FORHP), and by matching funds from the State of Arizona.

AzSORH fosters collaboration among its staff and faculty with state agencies, rural communities, organizations, stakeholders, and state and federal resources to address rural Arizona’s challenges effectively. Our efforts:

- ▶ Collect and disseminate rural health information and convene opportunities to educate and inform.
- ▶ Provide technical assistance to rural communities and organizations.
- ▶ Develop and support rural health networks and partnerships.
- ▶ Assist and expand healthcare workforce pathways to practice in rural areas.
- ▶ Collect and analyze rural health data, generate actionable reports, publish data visualizations, policy briefs, and syntheses of contemporary rural health issues.
- ▶ Identify and address assets and gaps that contribute to health outcomes in rural communities.
- ▶ Promote accessible, affordable, and competent healthcare for all Arizonans.

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AZSORH FIVE-YEAR SUMMARY: JULY 1 TO JUNE 30 FISCAL YEAR (FY)

AZSORH ACTIVITY	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
Total Technical Assistance	4,236	5,210	5,189	5,201	5,306	5,549
In-Person Contacts	2,620	2,631	279	385	553	753
Phone / Emails	545	484	474	425	498	506
Webinar Participation	749	1,343	1,196	1,347	1,149	1,090
Teleconference	106	134	148	261	273	283
Other Modes (Media, Surveys, Website, Etc.)*	216	553	3,092	2,783	2,833	2,917
Newsletter Distribution	9,792	10,164	10,070	10,893	11,758	19,347
Web Page Visits	40,696	46,143	44,601	85,666	68,275	70,492

*Previously labeled as “Assistance to researchers, others”

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