The goal of the WORC grants is to create economic prosperity and gainful employment opportunities for eligible residents in impacted ARC and DRA regions, enabling them to remain and thrive in these communities.

The project will support individuals living in south Arkansas Delta communities to successfully move through the health workforce pipeline and into career placement (health information technology and telehealth fields) with a local healthcare partner. The Arkansas Rural Health Partnership will engage education, healthcare and local workforce partners across the Delta region to recruit, train, mentor, and employ 70 individuals across the three-year period of performance. Participants will also receive tuition assistance, apprenticeships, one-on-one support, community health worker training, and career placement with a local healthcare provider.