

**Western New York Economic Development Fund
Recommendation Memo**

Not Recommended: Exhibit "D"

Applicant Name:	Niagara Hospice/First Choice Health	REDC Region:	Western New York
Project Type:	Business Investment	County:	Niagara
Industry:	Health/Life Sciences	Locality:	Niagara Falls
Amount Requested:	\$500,000	Total Project Cost:	\$1,192,254
REGIONAL IMPACT MEASUREMENTS			
Number of Jobs Retained:	0		
Number of Jobs Created:	27		
Average Salary of Jobs:	Undetermined		
Indirect Jobs Created	200		
Other Impact			
PROJECT DESCRIPTION			
Through comprehensive case management, goals include: Keep enrollees living healthier in their homes; Increase employment opportunities; Reduce Medicaid waste/abuse and provide greater access to healthcare; Create cost savings for NYS Medicaid program reducing counties/state share of Medicaid costs; Enhance viability of WNY network providers to the program; reduce inappropriate utilization of nursing home admissions, ER, Urgent Care & inpatient admissions, and promote prevention/patient safety.			
OTHER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BENEFITS RECEIVED FOR THIS PROJECT			
SOURCE		AMOUNT	
N/A		N/A	
PREVIOUS STATE ASSISTANCE OFFERED OR PROVIDED			
SOURCE		AMOUNT	
N/A		N/A	
BASIS FOR RECOMMENDATION			
Although the social/health benefits of this program may be beneficial to the community, the project does not have direct economic development benefits that warrant a Fund award. In addition, the applicant is requesting funds to pay for another state agency's (NYDOH) requirement of a reserve fund.			