

PUBLIC NOTICE

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES

Notice of Availability of Grant Funds For the Development of an Involuntary Outpatient Commitment Program.

Take notice that, in compliance with N.J.S.A. 52:14-34.4 and 34.6, the Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) hereby announces the availability of the following grant program funds:

Name of Program: Outpatient Mental Health Care and Integrated Co-occurring Services to Adult Consumers Age 21 and Older Presenting at Mental Health Ambulatory Care Centers

Purpose: This notice announces the availability of grant funding to support the provision of outpatient mental health care and integrated co-occurring services to adult consumers age 21 and older presenting at mental health ambulatory care centers. This is a statewide solicitation to expand co-occurring outpatient service availability in five counties across the state.

Successful applicants will provide a comprehensive outpatient service delivery system utilizing a multidisciplinary treatment approach of integrated or cross-trained, appropriately credentialed (SAMHSA, 2010) New Jersey licensed practitioners, who within their scope of practice, are permitted to diagnose and treat individuals with serious mental illness. Additionally, clinicians working with individuals who concurrently have a serious mental illness and substance abuse disorder are preferred to be dually credentialed as licensed alcohol and drug counselors, or have two years' of documented experience working in the addiction field. The service array includes the following services:

- psychiatric evaluation
- integrated assessment
- medication monitoring
- treatment planning
- case management
- psychoeducational services

Amount of funding available: It is anticipated that up to five (5) awards, a maximum of one per county, and an amount up to \$500,000 each will be available in FY 2014 for up to 12 months. A maximum of one award will be made in any county. The DMHAS will award a minimum of one award in each of these regions: Region 1 consists of: Warren, Sussex, Morris, Hudson, Bergen, Passaic, and Essex Counties. Region 2 consists of: Middlesex, Hunterdon, Union, Mercer,

Somerset, Monmouth, and Ocean counties. Region 3 consists of: Camden, Cumberland, Cape May, Burlington, Atlantic, Gloucester, and Salem counties.

Organizations that may apply: In order to be eligible for consideration for funding under this RFP, applicants must meet the following qualifications:

1. The applicant must be a fiscally viable for-profit or non-profit corporation or a government entity and document demonstrable experience in successfully providing outpatient mental health services and supports to adults who have severe and persistent mental illness in a manner fully consonant with recovery principles.
2. The applicant must be a government entity or a corporation duly registered to conduct business within the State of New Jersey.
3. The applicant must demonstrate the ability to comply with all rules and regulations for any DMHAS program element of service proposed by the applicant.
4. The applicant must comply with the terms and conditions of the Department of Human Services' contracting rules and regulations as set forth in the Standard Language Document, the Contract Reimbursement Manual (CRM), and the Contract Policy and Information Manual (CPIM).
5. Any fiscally viable corporation, as noted above, which meets the qualifications of the Department of Human Services' Contract Policy and Information Manual, N.J.A.C. 10:3, may apply. A copy of this manual can be accessed from the webpage of the Office of Contract Policy and Management webpage at:
<http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/ocpm/home/resources/>.

Applicants may contact the Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services, Treatment and Recovery Support Services at 609-777-0708 with general questions about the requirements in these manuals.

6. Non-public applicants must demonstrate that they are incorporated through the New Jersey Department of State and, if applicable, provide documentation of their current non-profit status under Federal 501 (c) (3) regulations, as applicable.

Procedure to apply: Effective June 17, 2013, eligible and interested organizations may obtain a Request for Proposal via the Internet at website: <http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dmhs/info/notices/> or by contacting Diana Gittens (609) 777-0708, Office of Treatment and Recovery Services. Proposals must be submitted in accordance with requirements stipulated in the Request for Proposal.

Mandatory Bidders' Conference: A Mandatory Bidders' Conference will be conducted for interested applicants. All applicants intending to submit a proposal in response to this request must attend the mandatory Bidders Conference on June 25, 2013. Information regarding the time and location of the bidders conference may be found in the Request for Proposal. *Proposals submitted by an applicant not in attendance at the bidders conference will not be considered.*

Deadline by which all applications must be submitted: Applications must be received by 4:00 P.M July 24, 2013. Respondents must submit proposals electronically in PDF format. Additionally, one hard copy of the proposal with an original signature and six additional hard copies must be submitted. No format other than the PDF and one original signed hardcopy and six additional hard copies will be accepted for this RFP.

Date by which applicants will be notified of preliminary decision to accept or reject proposal:

Applicants will be notified no later than August 28, 2013.

Jennifer Velez, Commissioner

Date