



**To:** Institutions of Higher Education  
**From:** Office of the Secretary of Higher Education  
**Date:** December 7, 2022  
**Subject:** Clarification on Deadlines for Mental Health in Higher Education: Community Provider Partnerships and Professional Development Grant

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Please be advised that the Notice of Grant Opportunity (NGO) for the Mental Health in Higher Education: Community Provider Partnerships and Professional Development Grant is available on our website: <https://www.state.nj.us/highereducation/mentalhealth.shtml>. Leveraging funding provided by the American Rescue Plan Act, as allocated in the Fiscal Year 2023 Appropriations Act, these grants will fund mental health initiatives at New Jersey public and public-mission independent institutions of higher education.

**Any technical questions regarding the NGO should be submitted to [OSHE@oshe.nj.gov](mailto:OSHE@oshe.nj.gov) by 4:00pm on December 16, 2022.** Answers to submitted questions will be posted on or before January 6, 2023.

**Applications are due on or before 5:00 p.m. on January 31, 2023.**

Additionally, we would like to clarify that the December 31, 2024 encumbrance and December 31, 2026 expenditure deadlines listed in the NGO, as established by the American Rescue Plan Act, apply to institutions' use of dollars. While the State intends to disburse the funds as expeditiously as possible, institutions should be mindful of these two dates while planning for how the funds will be used.