

NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES

Building Capacity for Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Medications in Ambulatory Mental Health (MH) Programs

TAKE NOTICE that, in compliance with N.J.S.A. 52:14-34.4, 34.5 and 34.6, the Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) hereby announces the availability of the grant program funds described herein.

Program Name: Building Capacity for Substance Use Disorders (SUD) Medications in Ambulatory Mental Health (MH) Programs

Purpose: This Request for Proposals (RFP) is issued by the New Jersey Department of Human Services (DHS), Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) to assist licensed Mental Health (MH) programs that treat people with Co-occurring Substance Use Disorder (COD) in developing the capacity to offer SUD medications, i.e., buprenorphine, naloxone and naltrexone. The SUD-MH will ensure that the services provided ensure diversity, inclusion, equity, and cultural and linguistic competence to the target population.

Available Funding Amount: This RFP is funded through the federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's (SAMHSA) State Opioid Response grant (SOR). The SOR grant period is September 30, 2020 to September 29, 2022. Total annualized funding is \$600,000 subject to federal appropriations. DMHAS anticipates making up to 8 awards (each not to exceed \$75,000).

Who Can Apply/Bidder Qualifications: To be eligible for consideration for this RFP, the bidder must satisfy the following requirements:

- The bidder must be a MH provider agency that serves people with COD and has made a commitment to the use of MAT as an effective treatment for COD.
- The bidder must be licensed by the NJ Department of Health, Certificate of Need and Licensing (CN&L) and have an approved addendum to its license to provide MAT, including waivers regarding MAT issued on March 10, 2020 by NJ DOH and cited in the Purpose and Intent section of this RFP;
- The bidder may be a non-profit or for-profit entity or governmental entity;
- The bidder must be Medicaid provider, be enrolled in the NJ Addictions Fee-for-Service (FFS) Network or accept commercial insurance, as outlined in the Budget section of this RFP.
- If a bidder has a contract with DMHAS when this RFP is issued, that bidder must have all outstanding Plans of Correction (PoC) for deficiencies submitted to DMHAS for approval prior to submission of an application for funding;

- The bidder must be fiscally viable, based upon an assessment of the bidder's audited financial statements. If a bidder is determined, in DMHAS' sole discretion, to be insolvent or to present insolvency within the twelve 12 months after bid submission, DMHAS will deem the proposal ineligible for contract award;
- The bidder must not appear on the State of New Jersey Consolidated Debarment Report be suspended or debarred by any other State or Federal entity from receiving funds;
- The bidder shall not employ a member of the Board of Directors in a consultant capacity. The proposal must indicate if the Board of Directors votes on contract-related matters;
- Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-44, a for-profit bidder and each proposed subcontractor must have a valid Business Registration Certificate on file with the Division of Revenue. (This statutory requirement does not apply to non-profit organizations, private colleges and universities, or state and municipal agencies);
- The bidder must be licensed or credentialed to provide the required services as detailed in the Contract Scope of Work.

Proposal Procedure: Effective November 16, 2021, the RFP is available at www.state.nj.us/humanservices/providers/grants/rfprfi/index.html and www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dmhas/provider/funding/. A proposal must be submitted that comports with the RFP requirements and instructions.

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Submission Deadline: Proposals must be received by 4:00 p.m. on December 30, 2021.

Notification Date: Bidders will be notified on or before February 2, 2022.

Sarah Adelman, Acting Commissioner

Date