Frequently Asked Questions



Hospital Overdose Prevention and Addiction Treatment Systems of Care Phase 1: Planning Grant

For any additional questions, please contact us by emailing us at MATDemo@iphionline.org

1. Will there be a webinar for this RFA opportunity?

No, but questions can be submitted to MATDemo@iphionline.org and will be answered directly and posted on the IPHI and AHE website. The final FAQ will be posted on Wednesday, January 6, 2021. *Please note that dates may be subject to change.

2. What date are applications due?

Phase 1 applications are due on Monday, January 11th, 2021 by 5:00pm. (Please refer to page 7 of the RFA for application requirements and submission guidelines) *Please note that dates may be subject to change.

- 3. Can our hospital apply if we are located outside the designated West Side and South Side boundaries?

 No, hospital applicants must be located on Chicago's West or South Side within the following boundaries:
 - West Side boundaries: N/S: North Ave to 31st St.; E/W: Western Ave to the western Chicago border with the suburbs.
 - South Side boundaries: N/S: Roosevelt Rd. to 138th St.; E/W: Lake Michigan/Indiana border to the western Chicago border with the suburbs.

4. Do the 2 MOUD Community Partners have to be within the designated West Side and South Side boundaries?

<u>Not necessarily.</u> Technically, the two MOUD partners can be located outside of the designated West Side and South Side boundaries for hospitals (i.e. hospital is located in Austin and the nearest eligible FQHC partner is located in Berwyn). However, we do encourage hospitals to identify community partners that are located near them to ease transitions between institutions.

5. What criteria will be used to evaluate applications?

- Volume of patients with opioid-related diagnoses, visits, and admissions
- Hospital patient characteristics
- Program plan and anticipated project impact
- Proposed use of funds, including leveraging of existing resources
- Description and commitment of staff who will carry out program deliverables
- Agreement to participate in this program from 2 community-based MOUD providers (Please refer to pages 8-9 of the RFA for evaluation criteria.)

6. When will the grantees be announced for phase 1 planning?

Grantees will be announced by or on February 1, 2021. *Please note that dates may be subject to change.

7. If I applied for the phase 1 planning grant am I automatically guaranteed for the phase 2 implementation grant?

No. Phase 2 implementation funding is not guaranteed for recipients of Phase 1 planning grants. There will be a separate application process for the Phase 2 implementation grant. Phase 2 funding is not automatic though it is sequential. Only Phase 1 planning grant recipients will be eligible to apply for continued funding via Phase 2 implementation grants.

(Please refer to appendix F in the RFA to learn more about phase 2.)

8. What is the timeline for phase 1?

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Phase 1 of this grant includes February 2021 - July 2021. *Please note that dates may be subject to change.

9. If I am awarded for phase 1 what funds are available for the hospital and the 2 MOUD Community Partners?

Approximately \$340,000 is available to fund up to 4 program teams consisting of 1 hospital and at least two community partners from February 2021 – July 2021. Amounts will depend on the number of teams selected. Each hospital will be eligible to receive \$30,000-\$40,000. Community partners will be eligible to receive \$40-50,000 (e.g. 2 community partners = \$20-25,000 each). (Please refer to pages 5-6 of the RFA for what funding may and may not support.) *Please note that dates may be subject to change.

10. What is the timeline for phase 2?

Phase 2 of this grant includes September 2021 – August 2022. *Please note that dates may be subject to change.

11. If I am awarded for phase 2 what funds are available for the hospital and the 2 MOUD Community Partners?

Approximately \$360,000 in additional funding will be available in the form of continuation grants to fund between 2 and 4 eligible program teams for Phase 2 Implementation. (Please refer to pages 5-6 of the RFA for what funding may and may not support.)

- 12. Our hospital is a current program site for a grant awarded by IDHS/SUPR's SOR program for a Hospital Screening and Warm Handoff Services. Will our participation in this grant impact our eligibility?

 No, SOR grantees are eligible to apply for this funding opportunity.
- 13. Are hospitals that received 2020-21 Hospital Opioid Treatment and Response (HOTR) Demonstration Site grants or Capacity Building Awards eligible to apply for this grant?

 Yes, HOTR grantees are eligible to apply.

14. Can the funds be used as an incentive to get providers to complete their waiver course?

At this time, funding cannot be used to cover incentives for provider x-waiver training. We are exploring if there are ways to support capacity building in this way (i.e. hosting a training for grant recipients). (Please refer to pages 5-6 of the RFA for what funding may and may not support.)

15. Can the funds be used to hire a peer recovery coach?

While this grant can cover the cost of existing staff time to work on these projects, we <u>do not</u> encourage using the grant to hire new staff given that it is only a 6-month grant and continued funding is not guaranteed. (*Please refer to pages 5-6 of the RFA for what funding may and may not support.*)

16. Can the funds be used to pay for naloxone?

No, funding cannot be used to purchase Naloxone/Narcan. (Please refer to pages 5-6 of the RFA for what funding may and may not support.)