

FY26-27 Notice of Funding Availability Q&A

1. Mobile Service Delivery, Vehicles and Associated Costs

(i.e. mileage, maintenance, etc.)

A portion of our programs requires staff to drive to various locations across town. *If staff must drive from the office to a designated location to provide service to our clients, should we include this mileage in this category?* **Yes, this has to be locations within Escambia County and a detailed tracker with driving direction maps will be required to be included as back up.**

2. Peer Specialist Certifications

We have learned that this certification is not relevant to our staff at this time. However, there is an annual out-of-state SAMHSA-recognized national training that specifically relates to our organization's mission. *Can we include the staff expenses related to this under this category?* **I would include it under training unless it is a certification class.**

The Budget Template in Section V does not include a line item for real property acquisition could you please clarify:

1. Is the purchase of real property (e.g., land or a facility) an eligible use of Opioid Abatement Funds under this NOFA? **This would depend on the use of the facility, I would say that the approval of land purchase is very slim.**
2. Is construction on net new or remodel of property an eligible use of Opioid Abatement Funds under this NOFA? **This would depend on the use of the property.**
3. Is the opening of a net new Pharmacy to support CORE program operations in a rural underserved community an eligible use of Opioid Abatement Funds under this NOFA? **We would need additional details about the Pharmacy for consideration. You can always submit an application for consideration.**

We appreciate the opportunity to ask questions related to this funding opportunity. We have a few:

1. Can the recipients of our services also be family members/those impacted by the Opioid use/addiction if we can tie the results to the program outcomes? (That is, if we work with family members to handle issues that potentially eliminate or minimize trigger points that could lead to an overdose or relapse in addition to

working with those with substance use disorders?) I would say no to family members for our funding as that creates all kinds of sticky situations.

2. Under the Criminal Justice Funding Strategy, particularly Community Corrections, would civil legal services be eligible as part of connections to care? Many of those affected by substance abuse may have lost public benefits, have tax issues, housing issues (pertaining to evictions, landlord-tenant relations, etc.) If you can provide proof that the individual has suffered from substance abuse as a tie back for the Opioid Abatement funds.
3. The budget template provided envisions staff positions that are not aligned with our staff. The template only allows for Case Management, Peer Support Staff and Nursing Staff. Is there an alternate template available or how would you suggest we enter our program information that does not align with the categories into this existing template? You can update those positions to what yours actually would be.
4. On the Quality-of-Service Questionnaire, is there a word or character limit to each response to the 9 required questions? There is not.
5. What do you anticipate the grant start date to be, based on your timelines? Based on the last few years I would anticipate this being awarded and the notice to proceed to be around January 2027.
6. As it relates to Performance Measures, our work indirectly impacts these outcomes. Are indirect linkages allowed as long as we clearly articulate the project component use and how it will be achieved? Yes, with a tie to Opioid use.