

22-04 Grant Initiative Funding Application (GIFA) Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Crisis Stabilization Services Questions and Answers 2022.12.20

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1	Can a SCA apply for this grant if their county behavioral health counterpart already applied for the crisis grant being offered through DHS and SUD crisis services were a part of that grant application? If the SCA were to apply the plan would be to compliment and strengthen the SUD component of the DHS grant already applied for.
	Yes, all eligible Applicants may apply for both DDAP and DHS' crisis grant opportunities.
2	I am reaching out for clarification on Eligible Program Activities and Expenses (page 7).
	D- Patient Services- Is the purchase of vehicles permitted to transport individuals to treatment?
	H-Other Costs- Would light snacks, beverages, and a coffee machine be allowable for individuals that utilize a behavioral health walk-in clinic? Would entertainment, such as a TV, be an allowable expense for walk-in clinics?
	Yes, the purchase of these items is allowable under this grant opportunity. As detailed on page 8 of the 22-04 SUD Crisis Stabilization Services funding announcement, Applicants purchasing a vehicle must follow section 2.06 of the DDAP Fiscal Manual.
3	Can an SCA contract or collaborate with local resources that are not DDAP certified?
	Yes, an SCA may contract or collaborate with any local resources that will assist individuals in connecting with the SUD crisis stabilization services, and/or in obtaining necessary treatment after crisis stabilization.
4	We are interested in possibly proposing to use this money to expand SUD crisis stabilization services at the county jail. Would this be an allowable use of the funding? The services we see a great need for at the jail, and for people leaving the jail, align entirely with those listed in part (c) of the project description, and would allow people who become incarcerated to receive the treatment and supports necessary to avoid overdose (during intake and upon release), connect with evidence-based care, move toward recovery, and reduce recidivism. Though our county is quite focused on preventing arrest and incarceration through community-based crisis/diversion services, we are increasingly aware that we cannot do as well as we want to without providing more supports for individuals who do end up in the jail.
	Yes, SUD crisis stabilization services at the county jail would be an allowable use of the funding. As mentioned on page 5 of the 22-04 SUD Crisis Stabilization Services funding



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	announcement, the Applicant shall explain its plan to collaborate with other local entities to assist individuals in obtaining necessary treatment after crisis stabilization.
5	We are wondering whether sub-awards to provider organizations will need to be procured through an RFP process. The timeline for spending will make that difficult.
	No, the Applicant does not need to procure sub-awards through an RFP process under this grant opportunity.
6	We have one question related to the Project Description Section "h". Can the narrative response for Section "h" be added to the separate section 9 document and therefore not included in the Project Description document?
	The Applicant shall follow the Application format which is listed on page 2 and page 3 of the 22-04 SUD Crisis Stabilization Services funding announcement.
7	One additional question related to Section 9, Reporting Requirements. This section references collecting and submitting monthly reports as of February 1, 2023. It requests a sample data report regarding individuals served as well as other measures as determined/identified in the proposal.
	We will be using this grant funding towards construction of a new building to house the cooccurring crisis stabilization program and for some staffing. We anticipate the program will be operational in approximately 2 years which is outside of the grant period. Therefore, we will not be able to report on the indicators requested.
	We have developed a draft of data elements which will be updated and expanded as we progress with program development. Our goal is to have this data in a dashboard.
	Is it acceptable for us to provide the narrative portion of Section 9 in the attachment and list the draft data elements? Please consider this in conjunction with the question below which asks if we can respond to Section "h" in the Section 9 attachment rather than in the Project Description section.
	The Applicant shall follow the Application format which is listed on page 2 and page 3 of the 22-04 SUD Crisis Stabilization Services funding announcement. The Applicant may propose additional draft data elements.