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COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FOR DEFLECTION AND SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER TREATMENT NOFO # 1705-2678

RESPONSE TO APPLICANT QUESTIONS

Day posted: April 19, 2024

Question

For the Goals and Performance Metrics Tables are we able to enter percentages for "XX" values we need to fill in?

Response

The Goals and Performance Metrics table should be completed by entering ambitious yet realistic numbers in the areas marked with "XX" for each goal that your program will address and its corresponding process objectives. Numbers, not percentages, should be entered for the listed objectives. If you wish to add objectives and related performance measures that are percentages, in addition, you may.

Question

I work for [organization] we currently have a grant program under CLEDP. We wanted to clarify if this is a new application or a continuation?

Response

This would be a new application.

Day posted: April 12, 2024

Question

- 1. The Narrative document states the following "Do not delete the template questions in your response and do not change the formatting of this document." Is it okay to delete the Performance Measure tables from the end of the document for Models that are not a part of our program proposal?
- 2. Are we able to access and review previously funded programs by this grant?

Response

- 1. Yes, in your program narrative you may delete the tables of Goals, Outcome Objectives, and Performance Measures for models that your program is not applying to.
- 2. The <u>ICJIA Funded Programs Webpage for CLEP</u> includes information on previously funded programs, past related NOFOs, as well as related ICJIA research.

Question

- 1. Under program requirements in the NOFO on page 9 of 34 are all trainings required to be completed by all individuals listed in the grant? If so, do the listed trainings need to be completed through a specific agency or certification process? Is there a resource for these trainings?
- 2. Can you please define who would be considered a "community members or organization" in the following sentence, "Deflection program planning shall include the involvement of one or more licensed treatment programs and one or more community members or organizations."
- 3. Can a local health department be considered a community organization?
- 4. For the following program deliverable "Train XX dispatch/911 staff on deflection program and substance use disorders by third month of the program" is the deflection program training and substance use disorder training in addition to the required list of trainings or would those trainings fulfill this deliverable requirement?

Response

- 1. All program staff participating in programs that receive funding shall be trained in all the topic areas listed on page 9 of the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO). This is a requirement specified in Public Act 103-0361, which this funding comes from. Programs are required to coordinate these trainings on their own. They do not need to be completed through a specific agency or certification process, but trainings must include the topics identified in the NOFO.
- 2. Community member or organizations are individual volunteers, residents, public offices, not-for-profit organization, religious institution, charitable organization, or other public body committed to the improvement of individual and family mental and physical wellbeing and the overall social welfare of the community. These individuals may include persons with lived experience in recovery from substance use disorder. Please reference pages 7-8 of the NOFO Instructions document for additional definitions.

- 3. Yes, a local health department that meets the above definition would be considered a "community member or organization."
- 4. "Train XX dispatch/911 staff on deflection program and substance use disorders by third month of the program" refers specifically to training dispatch/911 staff on the proposed program to, in part, ensure familiarity with the program. The other aforementioned required trainings may be more generic in nature and apply to all program staff. Although different, these training topics could be addressed in the same overall training session.

Question

If we are a County law enforcement agency applying, just want to clarify that the County would be the implementing agency and the Sheriff's Office would be the program agency?

Response

Yes, that is most likely correct in your situation.

An implementing agency is the legal entity that receives state funds, such as a county.

A program agency:

- Is a subdivision of the implementing agency, such as a county probation department.
- Carries out program operations.
- Is responsible for data and fiscal reporting.

Day posted: April 5, 2024

Question

On page 9 the requirements state: "Employees of the law enforcement agency, or other first responder entity, or local government agency who are participating in programs that receive funding shall be trained in:

- Neuroscience of addiction for law enforcement.
- Medication-assisted treatment.
- Criminogenic risk-need for health and safety.
- Why drug treatment works?
- Eliminating stigma for people with substance-use disorders and mental health.
- Avoiding racial bias in deflection program.
- Promotion racial and gender equity in deflection.
- Working with community partnerships.
- Deflection in rural communities.
- Harm reduction.

Specific linkage agreements with recovery support services or self-help entities may be a requirement of program services protocols. All deflection programs shall encourage the involvement of key family members and significant others as a part of a family-based

approach to treatment. All deflection programs are encouraged to use evidence-based practices and outcome measures in the provision of case management, substance use disorder treatment, and medication-assisted treatment for persons with opioid use disorders.".

My questions are as follows:

- 1. Do **all** the above-mentioned trainings need to take place or just the applicable ones? For example, "Deflection in rural communities" would not apply to the area for which I am writing a grant.
- 2. Are there suggested resources for trainings or can the trainings include those devised by the facility applying for the grant?

Response

Program staff shall be trained in all the topic areas listed on page 9 of the NOFO. This is a requirement specified in Public Act 103-0361, which this funding comes from.

Programs are required to coordinate these trainings on their own and they may be devised by the facility applying for the grant to include the topics identified in the legislation.

Day posted: March 29, 2024

Question

Can you confirm when the application is due for this NOFO? On the notice of intent, it states the NOFO closes April 15th but on the instructions, it states it is due April 23rd.

Response

Applications are due by 5:00 p.m. CT, April 23, 2024. Thank you for catching our error, we will correct the listed information accordingly.

Ouestion

I had a clarification on the deadline of the application. Under the deadline section it is stated completed application materials must be received by and in possession of the email address 4/17/2024 to be considered for funding. Under the timeline section it is stated applications due 4/23/2024.

Response

Applications are due by 5:00 p.m. CT, April 23, 2024, not 4/17/2024 which is the date questions submissions are due. Thank you for catching our error, we will correct the listed information accordingly.

Last day for question submission is 5:00 p.m. CST, April 17, 2024.