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## >>> SFY 2020 Behavioral Health Workforce Initiative Funding Guidance and Application

The Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) today released a [funding guidance and application document](#) for OhioMHAS-certified community behavioral health centers (CBHCs) interested in applying for funding to support provider-led recruitment and retention efforts, and to incentivize existing behavioral health professionals in attaining a higher level of professional recognition (credential). A total of \$3 million is available for the SFY 2020-21 biennium. Eligible providers may apply for a one-time funding maximum of \$100,000. Due to anticipated substantial response to this request, funds will be awarded by randomized selection. **Please note: CBHCs that received funding as part of the SFY 2018-19 biennium are not eligible for the SFY 2020 funding cohort.**



**IMPORTANT: All questions related to this opportunity must be submitted electronically to [BHWI@mha.ohio.gov](mailto:BHWI@mha.ohio.gov) with “Behavioral Workforce Initiative Question” in the subject line by 5 p.m. on March 13, 2020. The deadline to submit applications is 5 p.m. on March 19, 2020.**

## >>> RFA: FY2020 Ohio Opiate Response Continuum Grant for Organizations Serving Members of the African American, Hispanic/Latino American, and Other Minority Communities (MHA-FY20-21-OOR-CountyHealth-12)

As part of Ohio’s State Opioid Response (SOR) grant program, OhioMHAS is seeking applicants for *FY2020 Ohio Opiate Response Continuum Grant for Organizations Serving Members of the African American, Hispanic/Latino American, and Other Minority Communities* ([MHA-FY20-21-OOR-CountyHealth-12](#)). Approximately \$15 million is available for programs and projects that will increase access to treatment and recovery supports for African American, Hispanic/Latino American, and other minority community members with a primary or secondary diagnosis of opioid use disorder or those with a documented history of opiate related overdose. Eligible applicants include: Ohio county or city health departments collaborating with their local community behavioral health authorities, or other county- or city-based organizations, such as metropolitan housing authorities, probation departments, etc.; minority community-based organizations (MCBOs) (such as UMADAOPs and Urban Leagues), and other community-based organizations including faith-based, primary care, federally qualified or school-based health centers, aging living communities, behavioral health organizations, and other non-profit organizations. The maximum award is \$500,000. An information webinar series will be scheduled and announced on the [OhioMHAS Funding Opportunities web page](#).

**Questions must be submitted to [SORTreatment@mha.ohio.gov](mailto:SORTreatment@mha.ohio.gov) by 5:30 p.m. on March 3.** Responses to Frequently Asked Questions will be posted on the OhioMHAS [Funding Opportunities web page](#). **Applications must be submitted to [SORTreatment@mha.ohio.gov](mailto:SORTreatment@mha.ohio.gov) by 5:30 p.m. on March 6.**

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