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## Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services

### Community Transition Program

### Request for Information (RFI)

**RFI number: MHA-16-TRS-011-CTP/RFI**

#### Summary and Background

A significant number of individuals incarcerated within ODRC institutions have histories of addiction. Many of those incarcerated have a considerable or moderate treatment need, but current resources limit treatment options. Individuals with non-violent drug charges tend to have shorter sentences and have limited access to addiction treatment during their sentence. If left untreated, these individuals are at a high risk of relapse and return to criminal behavior, placing them and their communities at risk.

Beginning the State Fiscal Year (SFY) 16 – 17 budget, a new partnership between the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) and the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Corrections (DRC) was formed to improve addiction services within the state prison system. Employees of ODRC's Bureau of Recovery Services were transferred to OhioMHAS, and additional recovery services staff are being hired to increase capacity to treat a greater number of incarcerated individuals.

As substance use treatment services expand within the prison system, additional treatment programming and recovery supports will be needed in the community to treat and support individuals which will reduce the risk of future relapse and keep the recidivism rate low. This will be accomplished through the Community Transition Program (CTP).

OhioMHAS is concurrently releasing a Request for Application for the CTP and will be issuing a funding opportunity for a single statewide entity. This entity will act as a fiscal agent and provide oversight and ensure statewide capacity exists for behavioral health treatment services and recovery supports for individuals that received Recovery Services programming while in an ODRC institution. The CTP awardee will be responsible for developing a regional network of providers prior to implementation, which is planned to occur on or around July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016.

## **Purpose**

The purpose of this RFI is to provide interested treatment and recovery support providers an opportunity to share their qualifications. Responses will be provided to the CTP awardee and those selected will become part of the CTP awardee regional delivery network. This regional delivery network may consist of various providers and supports currently or interested in working with the reentry population. This effort is a unique opportunity to be part of a comprehensive approach to support and sustain individuals upon return to their community.

## **Provider Information**

Please respond to each of the following points:

- Describe the provider's qualifications and experience in providing treatment and/or recovery support services to individuals with substance use disorders.
- Describe the provider's qualifications and experience working with the prison reentry population.
- Describe the types of services the provider will perform (i.e. counseling, transportation, vocational)
- Describe the geographic location the provider serves.

## **Submission Requirements**

- Cover page to include the following: provider name, mailing address, telephone number and website. Name, telephone number, and email address of a contact person
- Page Limit: RFI narrative must be no longer than two pages, single sided, single spaced. Font size must be twelve point or larger with margins no less than one inch.
- The RFI must be submitted electronically by email to: [OhioMHASGrantOpportunity@mha.ohio.gov](mailto:OhioMHASGrantOpportunity@mha.ohio.gov)
- Email Subject line must have: Community Transition Program RFI

## **Submission Deadline**

All RFI responses are due by April 22nd, 5:00 P.M.