



Application for Ohio DEA DATA 2000 WAIVER Small Group Training (MHA-18-DeaDataSmallGroup-20)

Funding period SFY 2018: July 1, 2017-April 30, 2018

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RFP PURPOSE

The 21st Century Cures Act was passed by Congress and signed into law in late 2016. It is designed to modernize health care through enhanced innovation, research and communication, leading to better patient outcomes. The Act also makes available to states new funding through the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) to combat the prescription opioid and heroin crisis. SAMHSA's State Targeted Response (STR) project funding will provide over \$970 million to states and territories over the next two years, beginning in fiscal year 2017. Ohio will receive over \$26 million dollars in FY 2017 and is eligible for additional funding in FY 2018.

Ohio's Opioid STR Project goals focus on building a community system of care (prevention, early intervention, treatment and recovery support) that emphasizes service integration between physical health care, emergency health care, behavioral health care, criminal justice, and child welfare. Strategies and activities undertaken for this effort build upon Ohio's on-going efforts to address the opioid epidemic and are designed to reduce overdose deaths and enhance the ability of individuals with opioid use disorder to receive treatment using evidence-based approaches. This focus represents a high-impact opportunity to strengthen Ohio's comprehensive response to the state's opioid issues.

OhioMHAS seeks applications to provide DEA DATA 2000 Waiver trainings for physicians in Ohio. Awardees will be responsible for DATA 2000 training content that will help physicians obtain the hourly requirements necessary to obtain their data waiver. General course management including physician recruitment, provision of CMEs, and provision of physician reimbursement will also be provided by the awardee.

OHIO DEA DATA 2000 Waiver Small Group Trainings and Associated Scope of Work

Live Training

The awardee will coordinate with OhioMHAS (or their contractor) to provide five live trainings for physicians to obtain a DEA DATA 2000 waiver. Each training should be eight (8) hours long and satisfy all the federal requirements to obtain the certification. Training locations will be chosen by staff at OhioMHAS (or their contractor). The vendor will provide CME or arrange for CME through the appropriate board for the training event. Training events should begin in September 2017 and spread evenly throughout the duration of the grant.

Physician Attendance

OhioMHAS staff (or their contractor) will recruit physicians from a variety of specialties that may come into regular contact with persons diagnosed with substance use disorder, including primary care practitioners, emergency departments practitioners, urgent care practitioners, behavioral health practitioners, and obstetric/gynecologic practitioners. OhioMHAS staff (or their contractor) will choose the training location. Each training event will serve a minimum of 10 physicians and a maximum of 15 physicians. OhioMHAS will ensure that the minimum attendance requirements are met, and reschedule the training event if the minimum attendance requirement cannot be met.

Physician Reimbursement

The event hosted by the awardee will be part of a 1.5-day training for physicians. While the awardee will not be responsible for the content on the second day of training, they will make themselves available for the extra 0.5 days in case questions arise from the previous session. The awardee will provide

reimbursement payments to physicians who attend entire 1.5-day training event once 1) the awardee receives confirmation of attendance from OhioMHAS and 2) the physician submits the certificate of completion for the DEA DATA 2000 waiver to the awardee. Certificates received after 180 days will not be considered for reimbursement. Reimbursements will be \$1,300 per physician, and these costs should be included in the RFP budget submitted. If any funds relating to physician reimbursement remain after the conclusion of the project, then these funds must be returned to OhioMHAS.

DATA COLLECTION AND REPORTING

As authorized in Ohio Revised Code Section 5119.61, the Ohio Dept of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) will collect information and data from AWARDEES. This information and data are outlined in the Reporting Requirements, which will be distributed with all the Notice of Awards. These Reporting Requirements will be available on the OhioMHAS website. Reporting requirements, such as expenditure reports and quarterly program summary reports, will be reviewed by OhioMHAS staff. Failure to comply with reporting requirements shall result in further action by OhioMHAS.

Additional Data Collection

Other data required to be reported includes: ▪ Number of physicians trained at live events; ▪ Number of physicians obtaining their DEA DATA 2000 waiver; and ▪ Demographic data including DEA waiver number, physician specialty, race, ethnicity, and sex.

Performance Assessment

The AWARDEE is expected to participate in a performance assessment as needed with OhioMHAS staff.

PROGRAM OPERATIONS AND MANAGEMENT

Eligible Applicants

Applications will be accepted only from vendors that are licensed to practice medicine or osteopathy in the state of Ohio. Applicants must also have a DEA DATA 2000 waiver license and at least five years' experience delivering care to persons with opioid use disorder. Finally, applicants must have an established curriculum to cover the 8-hour training that can satisfy all the federal requirements to obtain the DEA DATA 2000 certification.

Permissible Use of Funds: Costs may be related to the delivery of the live courses, technical assistance related to follow-up questions, and physician reimbursements.

APPLICATION GUIDELINES

Application page limit is eight, single-spaced pages in 12 point Times New Roman font. This page limit does NOT include the face sheet, the curriculum, the budget narrative or budget expenditure form (Appendices 1 and 2). Applications must include the following:

A. Scope of Work

1. Face sheet (Attachment 2)

2. Abstract - Summary of how all DATA 2000 training and management services will be implemented that includes goal(s), objectives, and total amount of funding requested. (300 words or less)

3. DEA DATA 2000 Waiver Curriculum – Applicant must provide copy of its curriculum.
4. Project Description- Provide a description of the proposed project that includes the following:
 - a. Demonstration that applicant meets the minimum requirements to apply for the grant
 - b. Plan for conducting live trainings
 - c. Plan for coordination of collection and reporting of data, including number of physicians attending training, numbers of physicians granted waivers, demographic information of physicians, etc.
 - d. Plan to manage the reimbursement process for physicians
 - e. Budget Expenditure Form (Appendix 1) and Budget Narrative (Appendix 2) documenting implementation period funds. Applications must include a budget and budget narrative that identifies all costs to complete the project as described in the application, as well as how OhioMHAS funds, and other resources will be used.

B. RFP Questions and Updates

1. The Request for Application, accompanying documents and all questions and answers will be posted on the OhioMHAS website at: <http://mha.ohio.gov/Default.aspx?tabid=725>
2. All questions must be submitted electronically no later than **Wednesday August 2nd, 2017 by 5:30PM** to OhioMHAS at: CURESWORKFORCE@mha.ohio.gov
3. No questions will be answered after the deadline. You may **NOT** contact any OhioMHAS staff member directly with questions regarding this RFP. Contacting staff directly with questions could result in disqualification of an application.
4. Responses to all frequently asked questions (FAQ) will be posted to the OhioMHAS website at <http://mha.ohio.gov/Default.aspx?tabid=725> and will be updated frequently.

C. Application Submission

1. All applications must be submitted electronically to: CURESWORKFORCE@mha.ohio.gov by **Friday August 4th, 2017 by 5:30PM EDT.**
2. No faxed, mailed or hand carried applications will be accepted.

D. Award

1. Awards are expected to be announced in July for project implementation to begin no later than August 21, 2017. Applicants may not submit a budget that exceeds \$117,000, which is inclusive of all training services and physician reimbursements.
2. All state fiscal year 2018 funds should be obligated by April 30, 2018. No cost extensions are not permissible.

Review Criterion	Points Possible
Scope of Work	

Abstract: goals, objectives, and funding requested reflect a clear understanding of the 21 st Century CURES DEA DATA 2000 waiver live and in-person training project	5
Course curricula: All course content is appropriate for 21st Century CURES DEA DATA 2000 Waiver training project goals.	30
Project description components:	
a. Demonstration that applicant meets the minimum requirements to apply for the grant	15
b. Plan for conducting live trainings	15
c. Plan for coordination of collection and reporting of data, including number of physicians attending training, numbers of physicians granted waivers, demographic information of physicians, etc.	10
d. Plan to manage the reimbursement process for physicians	5
Technical Score	80
Budget: Program cost is reasonable and realistic	20
Total Score	100
Rating	Explanation
0	Is Not Addressed. Application does not comply with the requirement and/or does not address expectations.
1-2	Weak. Application does not substantially meet the requirement and/or does not substantially meet expectations.
3-4	Meets. Application meets the requirement, and meets expectations.
5	Exceeds. Application exceeds the requirement and exceeds expectations.

Conditions of Award

- Awardee will work with OhioMHAS and other stakeholders on all aspects of the 21st Century CURES project throughout the duration of this project.
- Awardee will attend required training, technical assistance and/or meetings as per SAMHSA and/or OhioMHAS request including monthly status meetings with the project director.
- As authorized in Ohio Revised Code Section 5119.61, OhioMHAS will collect information and data from awardee. Awardee will provide required information and data electronically, through online reporting systems. All information and data will be reviewed by project staff. Failure to comply with reporting requirements shall result in further action by OhioMHAS, which may include withholding of funds.
- The Department reserves the right to make no award, make an award for a lesser amount, make an alternative award for the specified project or make an award for a shorter duration. The Department reserves the right to ask clarifying questions, issue conditional awards, and negotiate a best and final application with one or more applicants(s). The Department reserves the right to waive errors and omissions that do not materially affect the application. Errors and omissions may result in lower evaluation scores or rejection of the application.
- Awardee will be solely responsible for reporting, withholding, and paying all employment related taxes, payments, and withholdings for his/her self and any personnel, including but not limited to: Federal, State, and local income taxes, social security, unemployment or disability deductions, withholdings, and payments.
- Awardee must execute OhioMHAS Agreement and Assurances upon notice of award. (For reference, a copy of the Agreement and Assurances can be found in Attachment 1).
- The Department reserves the right to change the conditions of the grant or discontinue the grant in its second year if money is not allocated to the states as expected or if the federal

government changes the conditions of the federal grant, or if the awardees performance is not adequate.

**Deadline for submission of all applications is Friday, August 4th, 2017 by 5:30PM
Eastern Daylight Savings Time to:
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