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RFP #2024-03
Ryan White Part A- Direct Services
Pre-Bid Webinar Meeting Notes
& Questions and Answers
December 04, 2024 at 10:30 A.M.

The Pre-bid conference PowerPoint presentation may be viewed at the Board website at www.ccbh.net by clicking on the “Business” tab on the home page.

Presentation

Judy Wirsching presented and reviewed the power point presentation for administrative requirements.

Monica Baker and Anastassia Idov were present to answer questions related to the project/services and provide the program overview.

The presentation can be found on the Board of Health website at www.ccbh.net under the “Business” tab.

Questions & Answers:

Q1. Is there a letter of intent to apply for this proposal?

A1. No, you do not need to submit a letter of intent for this proposal.

Q2. Do you have to put your financial audit with every copy that you submit?

A2. We only need it with the original. You do not need to include it with all of the copies. If it's in the federal clearing house, you can include a statement that it's available on the federal clearing house. You can also include it in the electronic version and add a statement that it is in the electronic version.

Q3. Are the standards of care for CCBH the same as HRSA?

A3. All of HRSA's Standards of Care are included in the Cleveland TGA's standards. It is allowable for the Cleveland TGA to include local Standards of Care, in addition to HRSA's requirements.

Q4. For Part A supplemental services, that are funded under EHE program, do we include EHE-funded services in this application?

A4. Your budget should reflect only Part A. EHE and Part A are separate. If you are also applying for EHE funding, be sure to include only EHE services in your budget for that application.

Q5. Are we able to apply for the same service categories under both Part A and EHE?

A5. Yes. Please review the Ryan White Part A RFP carefully. Consider your community needs and organization capacity to determine for which categories your agency should apply.

Q6. We get funded for Psychosocial Services and Non-Medical Case Management through Part A, but in CAREWare it is reported under the EHE contract. These services are in our Part A budget. Should we apply for both, or only Part A or EHE?

A6. In this RFP we are focusing specifically on Ryan White Part A funds. We cannot recommend for which grant an agency should apply. Your agency should carefully review both RFPs and consider your current and projected needs to determine if applying for EHE or Part A, or applying to both RFPs would best suit your agency and community. CAREWare is the database used to document all services. There will be a CAREWare training provided for all funded organizations. Specific CAREWare questions will be addressed during the annual training.

Q7. Oral Health is billed under EHE as a supplement to Part A oral health. Do we apply for both?
A7. In this RFP we are focusing specifically on Ryan White Part A funds. We cannot recommend for which grant an agency should apply. If you are looking to supplement some of Ryan White Part A funds, please feel free to make other applications accordingly.

Q8. In the past, EHE categories did not overlap with Ryan White Part A categories for funding, but they do this year. It is unclear which categories to put where. If there is the same category in two different grants, what do you advise to determine what goes where?

A8. We cannot recommend for which grant an agency should apply. If your agency is planning to provide services that are funded through EHE, feel free to apply directly to the EHE RFP. If your agency is planning to provide services that are funded through Ryan White Part A, feel free to apply directly to the Ryan White Part A RFP. Please keep in mind that there are different jurisdictions and eligibility requirements for each of the two programs, and may be differing Standards of Care between the two programs for the same service category. Your agency should carefully review both RFPs and consider your current and projected needs to determine if applying for EHE or Part A, or applying to both RFPs would best suit your agency and community. **If you would like to be considered for alternative funding (EHE) please state that in your application, in the Project Narrative and Budget sections.*

Q9. Are there any concerns for folks who are also collaborating with OACHC/ODH Linkage to Care – there may be overlap there as well?

A9. If there are any concerns regarding overlap and collaboration with OACHC/ODH Linkage to Care, please be sure to reach out to them, respectively. We are only able to respond to questions/matters applicable to applying for the Ryan White Part A grant.

Q10. Once we get clarity on the question about overlapping service categories, will we be able to ask follow-up questions?

A10. If there are questions that come up related directly to this situation, we will take those questions but they must come through Bid Questions.