

State of Florida Department of Children and Families

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Request for Applications RFA10H17GN1 Addendum #002 Prevention Partnership Grant (PPG) Office of Substance Abuse and Mental Health

Below are the inquiries and Department responses related to the above referenced RFA:

	RFA Section	RFA Page	Question & Answers	
1	1.2	4	Q: Is an agency allowed to apply for more than one county in separate applications? (The counties have very different needs and require a slightly different focus due to their needs assessments)	
			A: Yes, an agency may apply to provide services in more than one county. Each project should be submitted as a separate application.	
2	2 1.2	4	Q: May we partner with Charter Schools?	
2			A: Yes, it is allowable to partner with a Charter School.	
3	3 1.2	4	Q: If multiple counties have Comprehensive Action Plans and Logic Models that align, can you combine counties to write a single proposal?	
			A: Yes, they may be combined in a single application.	
	1.2	4	Q: Can multiple counties be combined in a single application or must each county be submitted as a separate application? A: Based on the proposed project and the needs being addressed, applications should be	
4			submitted according to the following:	
4			1) If the proposed project addresses the same issues across multiple counties, the application should include all applicable counties.	
			2) If one organization is proposing multiple projects to address differing issues in several counties, each project (county) must be submitted as a separate application.	
5	1.2	4	Q: We would like to be sure that it is okay for the Florida Department of health in Hendry County to apply for this funding for our Drug Free Hendry Coalition. It would be working with the Hendry County Schools but the funding would come to the DOH. We would also apply for Glades County working with their schools as we serve both counties.	
			A: Section 397.99(2)(a), F.S., authorizes only schools or community-based organizations in partnership with schools to apply for PPG Funding. If the DOH is acting as a coalition's fiscal agent, this scenario would be permissible. Regarding the question about Glades County, please see the response to question #4 above.	

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6	1.4	4	Q: Regarding funding allocated towards the Central Region. We are allowed to request \$150,000/year for a maximum of \$450,000 over a 3-year-grant funding period. The amount that has been allocated towards the Central Region totals \$571,106.00; if one organization in the Central Region receives the maximum total award of \$450,000 from Prevention Partnership Grant, where will the remaining \$121,106 be allocated?				
			A: The Department intends to award funding for 3-year grant projects for a maximum amount of \$150,000 each state fiscal year per project (total maximum of \$450,000 per 3-year period).				
			For example, funding for the Central Region is \$571,106 per state fiscal year. This means that the Department can award a minimum of 4 awards (3 awards for the maximum \$150,000 each state fiscal year and 1 award for \$121,106 each state fiscal year). Please see the table below:				
				SFY 2018-2019	SFY 2019-2020	SFY 2020-2021	Total
			Project A	\$150,000.00	\$150,000.00	\$150,000.00	\$450,000.00
			Project B	\$150,000.00	\$150,000.00	\$150,000.00	\$450,000.00
			Project C	\$150,000.00	\$150,000.00	\$150,000.00	\$450,000.00
			Project D	\$121,106.00	\$121,106.00	\$121,106.00	\$363,318.00
			Total	\$571,106.00	\$571,106.00	\$571,106.00	
7	1.5.6	4	Q: The application defines evidence-based practices as programs either listed on a national registry, or those which are reported in two, peer reviewed journals as having positive effects. Is one weighed more than the other in the application? A: There is no weighting of the types of EBP proposed, both options outlined in the RFA are acceptable.				
8	1.5.20	6	Q: The RFA indicates that the target population is students 0-20 years. 18-20 year olds are adults. Typically, the state requires that they be enrolled as an adult substance abuser and that ASA funds are used to pay for them. Since PPG is CSA funding, how would we enroll them and pay for their services?				
			Services und abuse rates,	er the PPG progrant the statement refer	program, the target por m are intended to prev ring to enrollment as a services, which are no	ent or reduce substa an adult substance al	nce use and buser is irrelevant,
	2.1	7	Q: Please confirm that our organization can submit an application for prevention services only.				
9				may submit an app reatment services.	lication for prevention	services only - the P	PPG program does
	2.3	8	Q: Can you provide a list of the most recent State consumption priorities?				
10				•	may be found in Secti I prescription drug use		nderage drinking,

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11	2.3	8	The state priorities for consumption reductions are listed as: 1) Underage Drinking 2) Marijuana Use 3) Non-medical Prescription Drug Use Are these the priorities that need to be targeted for change?
			A: Yes, the application must address one or more of these state priorities.
12	2 3.6.3	12	Q: If a county coalition has a NALM identifying local needs, should the application include the coalition's NALM or develop a new one specific to the project?
			A: Yes, an application may include the coalition's NALM identifying the local needs.
13	3.6.9	15	Q: Is the Dun and Bradstreet report mandatory? There is a substantial fee for obtaining this report.
			A: Yes, the Dunn and Bradstreet report is mandatory for the receipt of federal funds.
			Q: Please provide an updated link to budget forms mentioned on page 15 of the RFA.
14	3.6.10	15	A: The forms referenced in this section may be accessed using the link below (the link in the RFA without the colon):
• •			http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/dcfforms/Search/DCFFormSearch.aspx
			You may also see Addendum #001 which contains a link to access these and other forms from the RFS forms in either Microsoft Word or Excel Format.
15	4.5	17	Q: If the Grant Review Committee is serving as a recommendation only – that implies that the Managing Entity is making the final funding decisions - correct? Do Managing Entity's have their own eligibility requirements that make all applicants eligible or is their criteria to be met on behalf of a managing entity or are all agencies considered eligible for funding?
			A: The Grant Review Committee will make a recommendation to the Department's Secretary, who has the authority to make the final decision regarding awards. The Managing Entities will implement subcontracts with the grantees, based on the Department's Notice of Award. No additional criteria will be used by Managing Entities.
		23	Q: Must this be included in the application?
16	Appendix C		A: No, this Appendix will be completed by the Procurement Manager when applications are opened and checked for compliance with the Mandatory Criteria.
17	Appendix F	27	Q: Our current PPG funding we submitted one application with SJR State College as a partner where we provide BASICS services. These campuses include one in St. Augustine, Palatka and Orange Park, are you saying we would need a separate application for each county? Prior we supplied a logic model for each county separately.
			A: The application may submit one application and three logic models (see Appendix F pg. 28) if this is what your agency has done in prior years.
10	N/A	N/A	Q: Can you provide the scoring rubric with criteria descriptions and max point value for each section?
18			A: The scoring criteria and associated point values will be posted to the VBS at a later date as an addendum to the RFA.

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	N/A	N/A	Q: Would it be possible to receive the top 3 past awardees in the NE, please?
			A: The top 3 PPG Grant Awardees for the NE Region for 2015-2018 PPG are:
			Nassau Alcohol Crime Drug Abatement Coalition (NACDAC)
19			Epic Behavioral Healthcare
			Meridian Behavioral Healthcare, Inc. – Bradford County
			If you are interested in receiving additional information, such as applications submitted by these organizations, please contact the Procurement Manager or the Department's regional office.
20	N/A	N/A	Q: Will the Managing Entity take out a percentage from the grant? If so, must we incorporate this into the budget?
20			A: Managing Entities will not keep a percentage of the funding awarded under the PPG program. All funding awarded by the Department will be subcontracted to the Awardee.
21	N/A	N/A	Q: If a program providing specific services for a specific population at a specific location is currently funded through an existing PPG grant, is the same program eligible for PPG funding under the new RFA?
			A: Yes, the program may still be eligible for funding under the new RFA, provided it remains in compliance with the requirements outlined in the RFA.
22	Addendum 001	1	Q: The application states we cannot use funds for SBIRT. Does this mean 1) We cannot use funds to conduct SBIRT, 2) We cannot use funds to arrange/provide SBIRT training opportunities to various health care workers, or 3) Both 1 and 2?
			A: Both 1 and 2 above are unallowable activities under the PPG program.

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