

Ohio's Partnerships for Success Frequently Asked Questions

1Q: How will success be measured and what is the grant to accomplish? What will the POPS requirements be?

A: The Partnerships for Success grant will help build an integrated public health infrastructure that more efficiently leverages prevention resources. This expanded infrastructure and increased workforce capacity will lead to an increased use of evidence-based services and ensure that Ohio's Appalachian and rural populations have equitable access to culturally competent services. If Boards decide to accept the allocation then they will be expected to enter all information into the POPS system. There will be a brief webinar as well as additional technical assistance if needed.

2Q: If I have a 3 County ADAMHS Board will I be able to receive \$5,000 for each of my counties?

A: Yes but only if all 3 counties have been designated as rural and/or Appalachian per the list that was sent in the memo.

3Q: Are communities allowed to organize their own prevention educational training conferences/workshops for community coalition members?

A: Yes communities may decide to utilize remaining funding to organize their own prevention educational training conferences/workshops for coalition and other community members engaged in prevention to broaden capacity. The workshops/trainings must be pre-approved by OhioMHAS.

4Q: Could the number of attendees planned to attend the OPEC conference be lowered for rural counties or at least lowered for this county?

No, the federal intent of the funding is to increase the capacity of rural and Appalachian counties to implement evidence-based prevention. The intent is to broaden beyond just boards and behavioral health providers into the faith community, public health, early childhood, etc. This is a voluntary opportunity with specific guidelines to adhere to the federal grant application that is funding the opportunity. Feel free to decline if you feel the specifics of the parameters around these funds are not beneficial to your community.

5Q: How we can participate in the Question and Answer Webinar to be hosted on April 15, 2015, 10 - 11 am on FY 2016 Partnership for Success Training & Technical Assistance RFP?

Please go to OhioMHAS website at www.mha.ohio.gov , then go to our online calendar and click on the date April 15th. It's the last item on the list of events for that day. All the info is there to sign-up for the webinar.

6Q: Is the Evidence-Based Hub for Prevention Practice grant just focusing on underage drinking and substance use?

The PFS grants are to specifically address:

- Increase access to prevention services by enhancing prevention infrastructure
- Prevent or reduce consequences of underage drinking for persons aged 12-20
- Reduce prescription drug misuse and abuse among persons aged 12-25

7Q: For the Partnership for Success (PFS) Mentor Collaboratives, the mentor coalition is a previous SPF SIG sub-recipient. Through PFS Mentor Collaborative grant, is a SPF approach focusing on EBP Community Mobilizing for Change on Alcohol acceptable? Reading the guidelines we understand that an EBP Prevention Intervention model needs to be implemented for this grant, with focus on one area of expertise. Is that correct?

We cannot identify specific EBPs or promising practices, but your proposal should describe capacity-building activities focused on EBPs, policies, practices, and strategies to build capacity in Appalachian/rural communities – in concert with the needs of the community(ies) that you may be mentoring.

8Q: One of our goal with these funds is to implement a local training for the community partners, with a focus on reducing drug use. I know that DFAA provides a training on Marijuana: Health and Safety Risks. Do you think something like this will be acceptable for this initiative?

Please see response above.

Problem Gambling RFP Frequently Asked Questions

9Q: We are an organization with a federally-negotiated indirect rate. I did not see any mention of indirect costs in the PG RFP. Are indirect costs permitted as part of this RFP?

Indirect costs are not permitted in OhioMHAS grant budgets.

10Q: Could you tell me how many phone calls the Helpline receives per week and the average talk time?

Although the call volume varies (see below), the Problem Gambling Helpline receives between 90- 160 calls per week. The average call is about 5 minutes in duration (based on CY 2014).

11Q: Is this new funding or a new way of getting funding for FY 2016? Last year it was in our allocation. Has this changed?

Both the Problem Gambling RFP and the Partnership for Success RFP are for competitive grant funding to be awarded in SFY 16. These RFPs do not replace any allocations to boards.

12Q: Currently we are under contract with a neighboring county for prevention/treatment services. Can this RFP be written to implement a program in both counties? Can we apply for both counties, showing our collaboration in one RFP?

Yes, you can apply for a grant to be used for services in two or more counties. Please include Memoranda of Understanding documents to illustrate the partnership(s).

13Q: What is the expected number of attendees for:

Regional Trainings –

Approx. 50 per training

Annual Conference –

About 200 total

14Q: Are food & beverage allowable expenses in the grant award?

Yes, the grant will include all costs for the workforce capacity-building programs.

15Q: Do the grantees prefer the trainings (Regional/Annual) are attended on a “no cost” basis to attend?

Participants in the Problem Gambling trainings are used to paying about \$40 per regional event and approx. \$75 for 1-1.5 day conferences.

16Q: I am writing to see if we would have to choose either prevention or treatment for the Problem Gambling EBPs focus. We are considering partnering with an org that does prevention with youth, and we would focus on treatment for adults.

The grant doesn't need to be either/or. Just make it clear who the target populations are and why you chose them and the interventions you will be using.