

Funding Opportunities and Grant Information FAQs

Q: Who is eligible to apply for the opioid technical assistance and training funds?

A: South Dakota organizations or associations that provide direct services and support to populations affected by opioid and/or stimulant use, including but not limited to public, private, or tribal behavioral health care settings, medical clinics, or health systems, and pharmacies. Additionally, South Dakota organizations that offer training and education to professionals or the public regarding opioid and/or stimulant use, including but not limited to professional organizations, are eligible to apply.

Q: Who is eligible to apply for the Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) technical assistance and training funds?

A: South Dakota based clinics or health systems are eligible to apply. Alternate settings such as student health clinics supporting colleges/universities and emergency rooms/departments are also eligible for consideration.

Q: Who is eligible to apply for the block grant technical assistance and training funds?

A: South Dakota Community Mental Health Centers that provide direct services and support to target populations including adults with SMI and children with SED. Additionally, South Dakota accredited and contracted substance use disorder treatment and prevention agencies that provide direct services and support to priority populations may apply.

Q: What constitutes 'specialty populations for treatment and prevention of substance use'?

A: Pregnant women, injecting drug users, Persons at risk for Tuberculosis, Individuals in need of primary substance abuse prevention.

Q: Is there a timeline for when the award is to be used or when the training should be completed?

A: If awarded, the mini grant will support the approved training events from the award date through completion. Training dates or other costs incurred prior to the award date are not eligible for reimbursement. The training must be completed, and invoice submitted, prior to the end of the contract date. Please make note of the award date on the application.

Q: Can I apply for an event that is in its preliminary planning stages (unable to provide dates or location, etc.)?

A: Yes, an application can be submitted for an event without specific dates of training noted. However, the dates of the training must be after the award date. Basic information to include staff time/lost productivity will be necessary to complete the application process if requesting reimbursement.

Q: Can the training be held virtually?

A: Yes, the training can be held virtually.

Q; Can the training be held out of state?

A: The purpose of the mini-grant funding is to bring in experts or develop expertise within your own team, therefore, out of state travel/training is generally not approved.

Q: Who within an agency may submit an application for funding?

A: The application may be submitted by the point of contact within the agency who is able to ensure the contract is signed and all requirements of the grant are fulfilled. The application must be approved by the agency's signing official prior to submission.

Q: If we have staff traveling from satellite offices for the training, can they be reimbursed for travel? If so, what are the State of South Dakota's travel reimbursement rates?

A: Staff traveling from a satellite location to the main office may be reimbursed for mileage at the current state rate. State travel reimbursement rates are \$0.42/mile.

Q: If staff in my agency recently attended a training, can we submit for lost productivity reimbursement?

A: No, the training must be within the timeframes of the grant and cannot occur before the award date. Please make note of the award date on the application.

Q: Are we able to be reimbursed to provide food during the training? Are beverages an allowable expense?

A: Per Federal guidelines, food is not an allowable expense for the grant funds. Beverages may be allowable and will be considered per individual request.

Q: Can my agency apply for lost productivity costs when staff attend a DBH sponsored training such as DBT or CBISA?

A: Lost productivity cost for attendance at DBH sponsored trainings cannot be reimbursed through the grant funds.

Q: When another funding source or grant is available, can I use the mini grant in lieu of the other funding source?

A: No, other funding sources must be utilized prior to applying for mini grant funds.

Q: Are agencies able to apply for more than one grant at a time?

A: Yes, agencies may apply for more than one grant at a time. However, it is important to keep in mind grant funds are limited.

Q: Where can I find the Subrecipient questionnaire and FFATA form?

A: These forms are located on the DBH website at: https://dss.sd.gov/behavioralhealth/grantinfo.aspx