



Frequently Asked Questions



Wisconsin Department of Health Services State Targeted Response to the Opioid Crisis (Opioid STR) Prevention Services 2017-2018 Coalition Menu Option Application

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Purpose: The purpose of this document is to provide answers to commonly asked questions related to the Opioid STR Coalition Menu Option Application. This document will be updated as additional questions arise. If you have a question that is not answered in this document, please contact Christy Niemuth at christine.niemuth@wisconsin.gov.

Question: We would like to receive \$2,000 to support our efforts related to the Dose of Reality Campaign. Are we limited to only \$500 for this strategy?

Answer: No. The unit price for this strategy is \$500. If you know you need \$2,000 to cover printing or other costs, you would request 4 units at \$500 = \$2,000. The same is true for town hall meetings/community events. If your event is going to cost \$1,000, you would request 2 units @ \$500 = \$1,000. By selecting more than one “unit” you are not committing to providing more than one event. If you do plan to hold two events and they each cost \$1,000, then you should request 4 “units”. The description of how the total amount of funding will be used should be included in the implementation/distribution plan for that strategy.

Question: We would like to participate in the Drug Take Back Day on October 28th. Can we request funding from the “drug take back events” strategy to support this effort even though it will take place prior to the application deadline?

Answer: Yes. As long as you are not supplanting funds, and can provide requested information on pounds collected at the event, you may request funding under this strategy to support this past event.

Question: What size are the boxes for the “permanent prescription drop box” strategy.

Answer: We want to provide coalitions the flexibility to determine the size and style of drop box that is right for their community. For this reason, there is no set size or style. The coalition will need to research and determine what drop box they would like to purchase and provide that information to their Regional Prevention Center (RPC). The \$700 is based on an average cost for boxes.

Due to differences in invoicing requirements by the Regional Prevention Center Agencies, coalitions will need to work closely with their RPC on reimbursement/payment/purchase of these boxes. More information will be provided on how the boxes will be purchased and how to supply your specification requests to the RPC once all applications are submitted.

Question: My coalition is in a county that receives Partnerships for Success 15 (PFS15) funding. Is my coalition only eligible to apply for the \$500 for naloxone training and coordination?

Answer: Only the 14 coalitions who receive direct funding through the PFS 15 grant are limited to the \$500 naloxone training and coordination strategy. This is because the PFS15 grant already provides funding to these coalitions to implement the other strategies allowable under Opioid STR prevention funding. The 14 coalitions who are limited to \$500 are:



- Chequamegon Coalition on Emerging Drugs (Ashland County),
- Prevention and Response Columbia County (PARCC),
- Safe Communities (Dane County),
- AODA Community Coalition of Douglas County,
- Alliance for Substance Abuse Prevention (Eau Claire County),
- AODA & MH Coalition of Florence County,
- Community Coalition of Forest County,
- Kenosha County Substance Abuse Coalition,
- Healthy Youth Coalition of Marinette & Menominee Counties,
- Netaenawemakanak Coalition (Menominee Tribe),
- Milwaukee County Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition (MCSAP),
- Northwoods COPE (Oneida County),
- Janesville Mobilizing 4 Change (Rock County), and
- Vilas County Youth Coalition Inc.

Question: If we are unable to get our application in by the November 15, 2017 deadline can we get an extension?

Answer: No. The application will remain active after November 15, 2017, allowing coalitions to still submit an application. However, applications for funding received by November 15th will be reviewed and approved in their entirety, including requests for additional materials or funding, *prior* to considering any applications that are submitted after the deadline. Late applications will only be considered if funding is still available (which will vary by region), and are not guaranteed.

Question: Can one agency serve as the fiscal agent for more than one coalition?

Answer: Yes.

Question: Can we partner with another coalition in order to receive more funding?

Answer: We strongly encourage community coalitions to partner with each other in order to make the most impact with this funding. However, no one application can request more than \$7,300. So if two coalitions want to work together to support a community event, they should each apply for a portion of the cost and list each other as partners in the implementation plan. Alternatively, one coalition could apply for funding under the community event strategy and the other coalition could apply for materials under the Dose of Reality strategy, both indicating that they will be partnering with each other in the implementation/distribution plan.

Question: Our coalition only has the capacity right now to coordinate one town hall meeting between now and April 30, 2018. Can we apply for less than \$7,300?

Answer: Yes. This funding is intended to expand and enhance community prevention efforts related to opioid abuse statewide. It is also important to be fiscally responsible with the funding. We encourage all coalitions to consider the feasibility of implementing strategies and only apply for what they need.

Question: For the naloxone training and coordination strategy can we train individuals other than law enforcement and first responders such as community members, family members, or agency staff?

Answer: Yes. Target audiences for the training should be identified in the implementation plan.



Question: For the naloxone training and coordination strategy can funding be used to support law enforcement's attendance at training (i.e. overtime, travel, etc.)?

Answer: Yes. The \$500 is intended to be a reimbursement to coalitions to off-set costs associated with coordinating additional naloxone trainings for people in the community. Coalitions can use the \$500 reimbursement as needed to meet their needs. Regardless of how the funding is spent the coalition will need to report follow-up information (who was trained, how many trainings were held, etc.) related to the implementation plan by April 30, 2018.

Question: What will we need to information will we need to collect and report on related to each strategy that we implement?

Answer: We have not received specific data reporting requirements from SAMHSA as of yet. However, every coalition will - at a minimum - be asked to provide follow-up information on their implementation/distribution plans for each of their chosen strategies by April 30, 2018. So if the implementation plan asks "who do you plan to partner with for this strategy," the final report will ask "who did you partner with on this strategy?" If the plan asks "how many people do you plan to train," the final report will ask "how many people did you train?" In addition, coalitions who participate in take back events and permanent prescription drop boxes will need to report on the pounds of medications collected.

Question: Are tribal Strategic Prevention Framework – Partnerships for Success (SPF PFS) grantees eligible to apply for the full \$7,300 grant?

Answer: Yes. The four tribes, Bad River Band of Lake Superior Chippewa, Lac Courte Oreilles Band of Lake Superior Chippewa, Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians, and the Menominee Indian Tribe that receive SPF PFS grants through the Great Lake Inter-Tribal Council Inc. (GLITC) can apply up to \$7,300.