

FY2023 SUD Continuation Funding RFI Questions & Answers

Question: If we have already applied for other funding sources (i.e. SOR 3, ARPA, COVID Block Grant) for this year, should we complete this RFI?

Answer: Yes, if your agency wants continuation funds for FY23. All currently funded programs should complete this to be considered for FY23 continuation funding, as we do not have final confirmation of how much funding will be available for FY23. As stated in the RFI email guidance:

- Programs that requested SOR 3 funds should complete this in case SOR 3 funding levels do not meet the requested amounts and all programs are not able to be funded.
- COVID BG funded programs should complete this RFI so we can confirm we receive the adequate amounts from the state to continue your current funding through 3/14/2023, and to request funds to sustain your programs for the remainder of the FY if so desired/needed.
- ARPA funded programs should complete this RFI so we can confirm we receive the adequate amounts from the state to continue your current funding for FY23.
- All other currently funded programs should complete this if you wish your program to be considered for FY23 continuation funds.

For this RFI you do not need to specify which funding type you are requesting. We will designate the most appropriate fund source for your programming, if funding is available.

Q: What does it mean by “addressing health disparities”?

A: A health disparity is when particular demographics or groups of consumers have different experiences and outcomes than others in the programs or services provided. For example, are we seeing fewer people of color than Caucasian individuals accessing SUD treatment; are we seeing a higher percentage of people of one racial group reporting positive outcomes than another, etc. We are looking for information about what disparities you are seeing in your agency and how you plan to address them.

For more resources or training on health disparities, visit:

<https://www.healthypeople.gov/2020/about/foundation-health-measures/Disparities>

<https://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/keep-mi-healthy/chronicdiseases/multihealth>

Q: If we provide outpatient FFS services, should we complete this RFI?

A: No. This funding opportunity does not apply to FFS contracted services, so you are not required to submit this (other than Recovery Housing funded programs currently funded by one of the above sources).



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Q: If we provide Women’s Specialty Services, should we complete this RFI?

A: No. This funding opportunity does not apply to Women’s Specialty Services.

Q: How much funding should our organization/program request if we have already requested funding from other sources?

A: The amount of funding you request to meet the funding needs of your program is based on the needs and budget of your program. We will designate the most appropriate fund source for your programming, dependent on how much and what fund sources are available.

Q: Do we need to submit a budget if we are making changes to the program?

A: Please submit information on the total amount you are requesting in the location listed on the form; we did not request a budget at this time. Also, per the RFI, “Please describe what, if any, changes you propose for FY23 and why those changes are requested, including if you are not on track to achieve FY22 program outcomes.”

Q: How do we know how many RFI forms to complete?

A: Please submit a separate form for each program you currently receive funding for and would like to request a continuation of those funds. For example, if you have three programs that are currently receiving funds, please submit three RFI forms – one for each program.

Q: For the funding narrative, what is considered a page?

A: The limit of one page means please do not exceed one page when you describe that designated section within the form. We know about your program from the past two years, so in depth information is not needed, particularly in the general program description. More information may be needed in the section describing changes, but we still do not expect that to exceed one page.

Q: Who do I contact with any additional questions?

A: Please submit any additional questions to Callie Finzel, Regional Operations Specialist, at finzelc@cmhpsm.org.