

**North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services
Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Use Services**

RFA Questions and Answers

RFA #: DMH27-003

RFA Title: Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) in Jails Grant Program

Addendum Number: 1

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Questions Received Until Date: October 19, 2026

Questions and Responses

1. **Question:** Where can I access this budget template document?

Answer: The budget worksheet in Excel is now uploaded to the RFA announcement webpage. It can be found here: [DMHDDSUS Grant Opportunities](#)

2. **Question:** Would funding our existing MAT nursing and peer support contracts align with the intent of the Maintenance of Existing MAT Programs category?

Answer: All existing programs are welcome to apply. The criteria for qualifications and acceptance are detailed in the RFA Section I Introduction.

3. **Question:** Are safe or transitional housing expenses for MAT participants upon release allowable under this funding opportunity?

Answer: Yes.

4. **Question:** While the RFA identifies a maximum project budget of \$625,000, is there an anticipated funding range or maximum award amount specifically for individual applicants under the maintenance category?

Answer: The maximum amount that can be awarded to any organization within any category is \$625,000. The awarded amount will be based upon availability of funds.

5. **Question:** Is there a designated contact person or department within participating sheriff's offices responsible for MAT program development, grant applications, or behavioral health partnerships?

Answer: DMHDDSUS encourages potential partners and interested community members to reach out to their local Sheriff's Office to identify the appropriate point of contact.

6. **Question:** Does NCDHHS maintain a list of sheriff's offices interested in establishing or expanding MAT programs that may be seeking clinical or community-based partners?

Answer: No.

7. **Question:** May a sheriff's office subcontract with an independent psychiatric practice for psychiatric evaluations, medication management, and MAT-related behavioral health services?

Answer: Yes.

8. **Question:** Are telepsychiatry and telehealth-based MAT services allowable under this grant when coordinated with onsite jail medical personnel?

Answer: Yes.

9. **Question:** May a sheriff's office subcontract with a separate 501(c)(3) nonprofit to provide prerelease planning, case management, community treatment linkage, and post-release follow-up?

Answer: Yes.

10. **Question:** Can both a psychiatric practice and a nonprofit reentry organization participate under separate subcontracts within the same sheriff's office grant award?

Answer: Yes, a sheriff's office may have multiple subcontractors providing different services.

11. **Question:** Must the required OTP partnership be established through an executed agreement before application submission, or will a letter of commitment satisfy the application requirements?

Answer: A letter of commitment will satisfy the application requirements.