**North Carolina**

**Department of Health and Human Services**

**Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Services**

**REQUEST FOR APPLICATION No. Jail-Based Treatment for Serious Mental Illness**

**Questions and Responses**

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| **Q1** | We are a community-based provider in Durham, NC and for 12 years we have provided mental health assessment and treatment (both weekly clinics and daily crisis intervention) for jail detainees in many communities, by videoconference. I am familiar with quite a few county jails in the state that are in great need of services but have had difficulty finding initial funding. Would my organization be considered a community provider for jails across the state since we are videoconference based? |
| **A1** | A community health provider is defined as a provider of services based in a community setting. |
| **Q2** | We are a for profit organization - are we eligible for this grant? |
| **A2** | No. This RFA opportunity is funded through the federal Mental Health Block Grant and all federal regulations related to eligibility applies. Please see SAMSHA for more information. |
| **Q3** | I understand that the performance period runs from August 1, 2022 until March 14, 2023.  But it is very unlikely that jails will continue funding jail-based treatment as this is in the middle of their fiscal cycle (which runs July 1 to June 30). Is it possible to continue services with this this grant until June 30, 2023, which would make the services much more likely to be sustained in the long term? |
| **A3** | Grant funds awarded are one-time only funds and may not be carried forward beyond March 15, 2023. Opportunities for extending the program will be advertised 6 months before the end date, based on availability of funds, as stated in Section 3.0 Award Information, Item D Limitations and Restrictions. |
| **Q4** | If my organization is eligible considering the above questions, would I need the participating jails to agree upfront to participate in the grant and describe these agreements in the application? |
| **A4** | Please refer to the RFA documentation, section 12.0 Application content and instructions. Collaboration and Community Support subsection G. Collaboration and Community Support |
| **Q5** | Can I please get a copy of the Excel spreadsheet for budgetary purposes. |
| **A5** | The excel spreadsheet will be available to download via this link: <https://www.ncdhhs.gov/about/grant-opportunities/mental-health-developmental-disabilities-and-substance-abuse-services-grant-opportunities> |
| **Q6** | Is this in person only, telehealth, or a combination? |
| **A6** | A. Refer to RFA to the Scope of Work section of the RFA, Section 5.3 programmatic requirements and priorities |