

# **Request for Applications**

# RFA # *DMH25-005*

Community Based Substance Use Disorders Services Access – Priority populations and areas with elevated rates of overdose or limited access

**FUNDING AGENCY:** North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (NCDHHS)

Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Use

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**APPLICATIONS DUE:** November 3, 2025

**ANTICIPATED NOTICE OF AWARD:** December 12, 2025

**ANTICIPATED PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE:** July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2029. Continuation of funding beyond 6/30/2027 is subject to availability of funds.

# **INQUIRIES and DELIVERY INFORMATION:**

Direct questions and the application to email: rfa.responses@dhhs.nc.gov

Electronic copies of the application are available at: <a href="https://www.ncdhhs.gov/about/grant-opportunities/mental-health-developmental-disabilities-and-substance-abuse-services-grant-opportunities">https://www.ncdhhs.gov/about/grant-opportunities/mental-health-developmental-disabilities-and-substance-abuse-services-grant-opportunities</a>

## Applications will be received electronically until 5PM on November 3, 2025.

Send all applications directly to the funding agency email address as indicated below:

Emailing Address: rfa.responses@dhhs.nc.gov

IMPORTANT NOTE: Indicate agency/organization name and RFA number in the filename of each submission and in subject line of the email.

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# I. <u>INTRODUCTION</u>

North Carolina is experiencing a continual increase in population. Individuals belonging to populations that lack access to supports and treatment frequently face distinct challenges and obstacles in locating and accessing competent services that are easily navigable and supportive of their substance use disorder treatment and recovery journey.

Substance use remains a significant public health concern in North Carolina. Nearly 10% of North Carolinians aged 12 and older reported past-year illicit drug use in the 2021 National Survey on Drug Use and Health. Though hospitalizations for drug poisonings and overdose have decreased over the past two years, those decreased rates are not distributed evenly across the state of North Carolina. Certain communities in North Carolina continue to experience alarmingly high rates of drug overdose and poisonings. The need for accessible and competent substance use treatment and recovery services remains critical, especially for projects that address documented gaps in access.

A coordinated system addressing physical health, substance use disorder treatment and recovery, social determinants, community connectedness, and crisis response is critical to meeting the needs of all North Carolinians.

The North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (NCDHHS) Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Use Services (DMHDDSUS) proposes to use Substance Use Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery Services Block Grant (SUPTRS BG) federal funding to help expand access to relevant services and supports across the state of North Carolina that address documented gaps in access. This initiative aims to address the causes of the uneven distribution of the success of substance use disorder programming across the state to build a system of care that meets each North Carolinian's specific needs.

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

- 1. Integrated Primary and Behavioral Health Providers, Substance Use Disorders Treatment Agencies, Human Service Agencies, Community Organizations, are eligible to apply.
- 2. Applicant agencies must be public entities or non-profit/not-for-profit entities.
- 3. Applicants must be an organization in good standing with the North Carolina Secretary of State's office.
- 4. Applications must demonstrate a clear understanding of barriers that exist within the selected and identified special population as well as strategies to improve access and increase engagement and use of substance use disorders services and supports.
- 5. Preference will be given to projects that:
  - a. Prioritize the individuals within projects that address documented gaps in access.
  - b. Incorporate evidence based or best practices.
  - c. Leverage peer engagement.
  - d. Seek to share strengths and knowledge through clear partnerships and work across multiple sectors.
  - e. Are designed and implemented by North Carolina based organizations.

#### **FUNDING**

- 1. Total Funding Available: \$6,000,000 for one year. Year 2 and 3 will have the same funding depending upon availability of future federal funding.
- 2. Awards: DMHDDSUS intends to award at least 12 contracts to eligible applicants.
- 3. Project Budgets up to \$500,000 annually will be considered. Awardees may be asked to reduce their budgets if multiple projects are selected for funding within the proposed populations and/or funding availability.
- 4. Funding Period: July 1, 2026 June 30, 2027. Funding is available for Year 1 at this time. Year 2 and Year 3 of this RFA will likely have the same funding dependent upon receipt of future federal funding. Include budget for the period July 1, 2026 June 30, 2027 as well as annual budgets for terms July 1, 2027 June 30, 2028 and July 1, 2028 June 30, 2029.
- 5. Work should not begin until a contract is executed between DMHDDSUS and the awarded entity.

Please note that DMHDDSUS reserves the right to withdraw the award prior to the execution of a contract.

Funding Source: Substance Use Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery Services Block Grant (SUPTRS BG), Assistance Listing Number: 93.959

## II. BACKGROUND

NCDHHS is dedicated to ensuring all members of the North Carolina community have access to the treatment and services they need. As part of our commitment to robust access to substance use disorder treatment services and supports, we are issuing this Request for Applications (RFA) to solicit applications from organizations that aim to support one or more projects that address priority communities disproportionately impacted by overdose, hospitalizations, or barriers to treatment access.

The impact of COVID-19, natural disasters, and other events continues to exacerbate substance use disorder challenges for individuals, families, and communities across North Carolina. These stressors have contributed to increased rates of substance use, return to chaotic use, and overdose as individuals turn to substances to cope with trauma and distress.

Though the rates of overdose and drug poisonings have precipitously declined since 2023 on the whole, certain communities across North Carolina are still experiencing this crisis at alarmingly high rates. According to data gathered by NCDHHS Division of Public Health, rates continue to fall for the general population, but continue to disproportionately impact certain communities and counties. According to the June 2025 report on <a href="Emergency Department Visits for Overdose Involving Medications or Drugs with Dependency Potential">Emergency Department Visits for Overdose Involving Medications or Drugs with Dependency Potential</a>, male residents of North Carolina who are Native American/American Indian or who are Black are still experiencing hospitalizations at alarmingly high rates compared to the rest of North Carolina's residents. The May 2025 Report on Emergency Department Visits for Opioid Overdose shows that the risk for residents who are uninsured or insured through Medicaid is much higher than the statewide rate of emergency department visits for opioid overdose. Similarly, some of our counties continue to face much high proportional rates than the statewide rate of ED visits for opioid overdose.

Addressing these challenges requires a coordinated approach to expand access to prevention, treatment, and recovery services, ensuring that all North Carolinians can receive the support they need to rebuild resilience and maintain recovery in the face of ongoing trauma. Individuals need services and supports that understand their direct context and needs, the needs of their communities, and that can provide effective and responsive interventions to the causes of these disproportionate rates across North Carolina.

The Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Use Services (DMHDDSUS) is committed to expanding access to effective prevention, treatment, and recovery services for individuals with substance use disorders. In line with this commitment, NCDHHS DMHDDSUS is issuing this RFA to solicit applications for projects that support substance use disorder service initiatives in communities with documented gaps in access or higher rates of need.

A coordinated system of substance use disorders treatment and support services is critical to meeting the growing needs of North Carolinians. Outreach, training and other resources are needed to ensure that people are connected to effective and impactful services in their communities.

## III. SCOPE OF WORK

NCDHHS DMHDDSUS is issuing this RFA to solicit applications for projects that address documented gaps in access. Applications should aim to address two or more of the following key areas:

- 1. **Treatment and Recovery Supports**: Develop and implement programs that provide evidence-based substance use disorders treatment and supports, counseling services, and community resources, including recovery supports, tailored to the specific needs of the selected population(s).
- 2. **Increasing Access to Care**: Develop strategies to improve access to services, projects that address documented gaps in access, including telehealth services, mobile outreach and engagement programs, and partnerships with community-based organizations.
- 3. **Culturally Competent Care**: Enhance the cultural competence of providers and services to better meet the needs of populations, including training programs, language services, and culturally tailored interventions.
- 4. Addressing Social Determinants of Health: Implement projects that address social determinants of health, such as housing instability, food insecurity, unemployment through collaborative approaches with community partners. Please note that SUPTRS funds may not be used to purchase food or to support independent housing. Funds may support recovery-supported housing options.
- 5. **Peer Support, Community Engagement, Social Connectivity**: Foster peer support networks, community-based support groups, and grassroots initiatives that promote treatment, recovery and social connectedness in priority communities. Create opportunities for community engagement.
- 6. **Community Building and Support Networks**: Establish support groups, and recovery community centers that foster solidarity, belonging, and empowerment of selected communities.

Intersectional approaches and innovative partnerships are highly encouraged. This list is in no way exhaustive.

#### PERFORMANCE STANDARDS AND EXPECTATIONS

In the application, the entities shall provide:

- 1. A detailed statement of need, a track record of success in projects addressing communities with documented higher needs or disparities in treatment access, and an evaluation plan that uses both quantitative and qualitive outcome measures.
- 2. A clear and feasible description of the project design, including the methodology, activities, and anticipated outcomes.
- 3. Proof of capacity and experience of the applicant organization or initiative to successfully implement the proposed project.
- 4. An explanation of potential for sustainability and long-term impact of the project on the target beneficiaries and the broader community.
- 5. A budget justification and cost-effectiveness of the proposed activities.

#### The grantee shall:

- 1. Demonstrate expertise in working with the proposed projects that address documented gaps in access.
- 2. Demonstrate active partnership and participation with other organizations by leveraging the strengths of the community.
- 3. Coordinate with other professional and technical services contractors as directed by DMHDDSUS.
- 4. Collaborate North Carolina resources for referrals and explore interoperability with organizations such as 211, 988, NC CARE 360, LME/MCOs, Alcohol/Drug Council North Carolina's (ADCNC) peer line, health departments and other organizations.
- 5. Enhance and expand knowledge of emerging trends in leadership and management of priority population(s) and across the state.
- 6. Grantee shall provide DMHDDSUS quarterly updates including:
  - a. Progress made on approved project plan, inclusive of the evaluation plan
  - b. Demographic/Geographic data on community engagement, and
  - c. Feedback on issues that arise during planning and implementation.
- 7. Conform to all allowable expenses as set forth in the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) budget guidance found at: <a href="https://www.samhsa.gov/sites/default/files/grants/budget-guidance.pdf">https://www.samhsa.gov/sites/default/files/grants/budget-guidance.pdf</a>

#### PERFORMANCE MONITORING/QUALITY ASSURANCE PLAN

Deliverables will be monitored by quarterly programmatic reports. The selected entity agrees to participate in periodic site visits as determined by the DMHDDSUS Program Manager. If the selected entity is deemed out of compliance, program staff will provide technical assistance; however, funds may be withheld until the selected entity is in compliance with deliverables. If technical assistance does not prove beneficial, funding may then be discontinued.

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## IV. GENERAL INFORMATION ON SUBMITTING APPLICATIONS

#### 1. Award or Rejection

All qualified applications will be evaluated and award made to that agency or organization whose combination of budget and service capabilities are deemed to be in the best interest of the funding agency. The funding agency reserves the unqualified right to reject any or all offers if determined to be in its best interest. Successful applicants will be notified by **December 12**, **2025**.

# 2. Cost of Application Preparation

Any cost incurred by an agency or organization in preparing or submitting an application is the agency's or organization's sole responsibility; the funding agency will not reimburse any agency or organization for any pre-award costs incurred.

# 3. Elaborate Applications

Elaborate applications in the form of brochures or other presentations beyond that necessary to present a complete and effective application are not desired.

## 4. Oral Explanations

The funding agency will not be bound by oral explanations or instructions given at any time during the competitive process or after awarding the grant.

## 5. Reference to Other Data

Only information that is received in response to this RFA will be evaluated; reference to information previously submitted will not suffice.

#### 6. Titles

Titles and headings in this RFA and any subsequent RFA are for convenience only and shall have no binding force or effect.

## 7. Form of Application

Each application must be submitted on the form provided by the funding agency, and will be incorporated into the funding agency's Performance Agreement (contract).

# 8. Exceptions

All applications are subject to the terms and conditions outlined herein. All responses will be controlled by such terms and conditions. The attachment of other terms and conditions by any agency or organization may be grounds for rejection of that agency or organization's application. Funded agencies and organizations specifically agree to the conditions set forth in the Performance Agreement (contract).

#### 9. Advertising

In submitting its application, agencies and organizations agree not to use the results therefrom or as part of any news release or commercial advertising without prior written approval of the funding agency.

#### 10. Right to Submitted Material

All responses, inquiries, or correspondence relating to or in reference to the RFA, and all other reports, charts, displays, schedules, exhibits, and other documentation submitted by the agency or organization will become the property of the funding agency when received.

#### 11. Competitive Offer

Pursuant to the provision of G.S. 143-54, and under penalty of perjury, the signer of any application submitted in response to this RFA thereby certifies that this application has not been arrived at collusively or otherwise in violation of either Federal or North Carolina antitrust laws.

# 12. Agency and Organization's Representative

Each agency or organization shall submit with its application the name, address, and telephone number of the person(s) with authority to bind the agency or organization and answer questions or provide clarification concerning the application.

# 13. Subcontracting

Agencies and organizations may propose to subcontract portions of work provided that their applications clearly indicate the scope of the work to be subcontracted, and to whom. All requirements, terms, and conditions of a contract shall be passed through to all subcontractors performing programmatic work on behalf of the agency as the agency's subawardee. All information required about the prime grantee is also required for each proposed subcontractor.

Agencies and organizations shall also ensure that subcontractors are not on the state's Suspension of Funding List available at: <a href="https://www.osbm.nc.gov/stewardship-services/grants-management/suspension-funding-list">https://www.osbm.nc.gov/stewardship-services/grants-management/suspension-funding-list</a>.

#### 14. Proprietary Information

Trade secrets or similar proprietary data which the agency or organization does not wish disclosed to other than personnel involved in the evaluation will be kept confidential to the extent permitted by NCAC TO1: 05B.1501 and G.S. 132-1.3 if identified as follows: Each page shall be identified in boldface at the top and bottom as "CONFIDENTIAL." Any section of the application that is to remain confidential shall also be so marked in boldface on the title page of that section.

## 15. Participation Encouraged

Pursuant to Article 3 and 3C, Chapter 143 of the North Carolina General Statutes and Executive Order No. 77, the funding agency invites and encourages participation in this RFA by businesses owned by minorities, women and the disabled, including utilization as subcontractor(s) to perform functions under this Request for Applications.

#### 16. Contract

The Division will issue a contract to the recipient of the RFA funding ('Grantee'). Expenditures can only begin at the grantee site upon receipt of a completely signed contract. DMHDDSUS reserves the right to withdraw the award prior to the execution of a contract.

#### V. APPLICATION PROCUREMENT PROCESS AND APPLICATION REVIEW

The following is a general description of the process by which applicants will be selected for funding for this project.

## 1. Announcement of the Request for Applications (RFA)

The announcement of the RFA and instructions for receiving the RFA will be posted at the following DHHS website on 09/22/2025:

https://www.ncdhhs.gov/about/grant-opportunities/mental-health-developmental-disabilities-and-substance-abuse-services-grant-opportunities and may be sent to prospective agencies and organizations via direct mail, email, and/or the Program's website.

#### 2. Distribution of the RFA

RFAs will be posted on the Program's website <a href="https://www.ncdhhs.gov/about/grant-opportunities/mental-health-developmental-disabilities-and-substance-abuse-services-grant-opportunities">https://www.ncdhhs.gov/about/grant-opportunities/mental-health-developmental-disabilities-and-substance-abuse-services-grant-opportunities</a> and may be sent via email to interested agencies and organizations beginning **09/22/2025**.

#### 3. Information Session

All prospective applicants are encouraged to attend a virtual information session on October 2, 2025 at 3:00 PM. You may join by logging in at the link: https://www.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/VmY26tUvRgmAyspr1x1Byg

## 4. Question & Answer Period

Written questions concerning the specifications in this Request for Applications will be received until 10/6/2025. As an addendum to this RFA, a summary of all questions and answers will be posted by 10/13/2025 on <a href="https://www.ncdhhs.gov/about/grant-opportunities/mental-health-developmental-disabilities-and-substance-abuse-services-grant-opportunities">https://www.ncdhhs.gov/about/grant-opportunities/mental-health-developmental-disabilities-and-substance-abuse-services-grant-opportunities</a> website.

#### 5. Applications

Applicants shall submit their application as one single, consolidated PDF file with all required attachments and scanned signatures to: <a href="mailto:rfa.responses@dhhs.nc.gov">rfa.responses@dhhs.nc.gov</a> . Paper, mailed and faxed applications will not be accepted.

#### 6. Format

The application must be typed on 8.5" x 11" pages with 1" margins. Line spacing should be single-spaced. The font should be Arial and sized 11-point. All pages should be numbered. Use appropriate headings for each section.

#### 7. Space Allowance

Page limits are clearly marked in each section of the application. Refer to VIII.3 Applicant's Response for specifics.

## 8. Application Deadline

All applications must be received by 5:00 pm on **11/03/2025** at email <a href="mailto:rfa.responses@dhhs.nc.gov">rfa.responses@dhhs.nc.gov</a>. Only emailed applications will be accepted (scanned signatures are acceptable). Faxed or mailed applications will not be accepted.

Indicate agency/organization name and RFA number in the filename of each submission and in subject line of the email.

# 9. Receipt of Applications

Applications from each responding agency or organization will receive an email confirmation if application is received on time.

## 10. Review of Applications

Applications are reviewed by a multi-disciplinary committee of public and/or private health and human services subject matter experts. Staff from applicant agencies may not participate as reviewers.

Applications will be reviewed and evaluated by a committee for completeness, content, experience with similar projects, ability of the agency's or organization's staff, benefit to the State, etc. The State reserves the right to conduct site visits as part of the application review and award process. The award of a grant to one agency and organization does not mean that the other applications lacked merit, but that, all facts considered, the selected application was deemed to provide the best service to the State. Agencies and organizations are cautioned that this is a request for applications, and the funding agency reserves the unqualified right to reject any and all applications when such rejections are deemed to be in the best interest of the funding agency.

# 11. Request for Additional Information

At their option, the application reviewers may request additional information from any or all applicants for the purpose of clarification or to amplify the materials presented in any part of the application. However, agencies and organizations are cautioned that the reviewers are not required to request clarification. Therefore, all applications should be complete and reflect the most favorable terms available from the agency or organization.

#### 12. Audit

Please be advised that successful applicants may be required to have an audit in accordance with <u>09 NCAC 03M .0205</u>. Per 09 NCAC 03M .0205 (amended effective retroactive to July 1, 2024), there are two reporting levels established for recipients and subrecipients receiving grants. Reporting levels are based on the allocated funds from all grants disbursed through the State of North Carolina during the entity's fiscal year. The reporting levels are:

- 1) Level I A recipient or subrecipient that receives, holds, uses, or expends grants in an amount less than the dollar amount requiring audit as listed in the Code of Federal Regulations 2 CFR 200.501(a) within its fiscal year.
- 2) Level II A recipient or subrecipient that receives, holds, uses, or expends grants in an amount of equal to or greater than the dollar amount requiring audit as listed in 2 CFR 200.501(a) within its fiscal year.

The dollar amount requiring audit listed in 2 CFR 200.501(a) is herein incorporated by reference, including subsequent amendments and editions, and can be accessed free of charge at <a href="https://www.ecfr.gov/">https://www.ecfr.gov/</a>.

Level II grantees shall have a single or program-specific audit prepared and completed in accordance with Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards, also known as the Yellow Book NC G.S. 143C-6-22 and NC G.S. 143C-6-23 as applicable to the agency's status.

Unless prohibited by law, the costs of audits made in accordance with the provisions of this Rule shall be allowable charges to State and Federal awards. The charges may be considered a direct cost or an allocated indirect cost, as determined in accordance with cost principles outlined in the Code of Federal Regulations, 2 CFR Part 200, which is herein incorporated by reference, including subsequent amendments and editions, and can be accessed free of charge at <a href="https://www.ecfr.gov">https://www.ecfr.gov</a>. The cost of any audit not conducted in accordance with this Subchapter shall not be charged to State awards.

#### 13. Assurances

The contract may include assurances that the successful applicant would be required to execute prior to receiving a contract as well as when signing the contract.

# 14. Additional Documentation to Include with Application

All applicants are required to include documentation of their tax identification number.

Those applicants which are private non-profit agencies are to include a copy of an IRS determination letter regarding the agency's 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status. (This letter normally includes the agency's tax identification number, so it would also satisfy that documentation requirement.)

In addition, those private non-profit agencies are to provide a completed and signed page verifying continued existence of the agency's 501(c)(3) status. (An example of this page is provided in section *VIII.8 Verification of* 501(c)(3) *Status*.)

#### 15. Federal Certifications

Agencies or organizations receiving Federal funds shall be required to execute Federal Certifications regarding Non-discrimination, Drug-Free Workplace, Environmental Tobacco Smoke, Debarment, Lobbying, and Lobbying Activities. A copy of the Federal Certifications is included in this RFA for your reference (see Appendix A). Federal Certifications should NOT be signed or returned with application.

#### **16.** Unique Entity Identifier (UEI)

All grantees receiving federal funds must have a Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) which is issued by the federal government in <a href="www.SAM.gov">www.SAM.gov</a> . If your agency does not have a UEI, please use the online registration at <a href="www.SAM.gov">www.SAM.gov</a> to receive one free of charge.

#### 17. Additional Documentation Prior to Contract Execution

Contracts require more documentation <u>prior to</u> contract execution. After the award announcement, agencies will be contacted about providing the following documentation:

a. Documentation of the agency's Unique Entity Identifier (UEI). Documentation consists of a copy the agency or organization's SAM record.

If your agency does not have a UEI, please use the online registration at <a href="www.SAM.gov">www.SAM.gov</a> to receive one free of charge.

Contracts with private non-profit agencies require additional documentation <u>prior to</u> contract execution. After the award announcement, private non-profit <u>agencies will be contacted</u> about providing the following documentation:

- a. A completed and signed statement which includes the agency's Conflict of Interest Policy. (A reference version appears in Appendix A.)
- b. A completed, signed, and notarized page certifying that the agency has no overdue tax debts. (A reference version appears in Appendix A)

All grantees receiving funds through the State of North Carolina are required to execute Contractor Certifications Required by North Carolina Law. A copy of the certifications is included in this RFA for your reference (see Appendix A). Contractor Certifications should NOT be signed or returned with application.

Note: At the start of each calendar year, all agencies with current DMH/DD/SAS contracts are required to update their contract documentation. These agencies will be contacted a few weeks prior to the due date and will be provided the necessary forms and instructions.

#### 18. Registration with Secretary of State

Private non-profit applicants must also be registered with the North Carolina Secretary of State to do business in North Carolina or be willing to complete the registration process in conjunction with the execution of the contract documents. (Refer to: <a href="https://www.sosnc.gov/divisions/business\_registration">https://www.sosnc.gov/divisions/business\_registration</a>)

# 19. Registration in NC e-Procurement via NC Electronic Vendor Portal (eVP)

Successful applicants must be registered in NC eProcurement via the Electronic Vendor Portal (eVP) in order to receive reimbursement payments. This registration does not change your organization's grantee status or how the organization will be treated by DMHDDSUS.

# 20. Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA) Data Reporting Requirement

The Contractor shall complete and submit to the Division, the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA) Data Reporting Requirement form within 10 State Business Days upon request by the Division when awarded \$25,000 or more in federal funds. A reference version appears in Appendix A.

#### 21. Iran Divestment Act

The Iran Divestment Act of 2015, as amended, prohibits State agencies from investing in or contracting with individuals and companies engaged in certain investment activities in Iran. Any organization identified engaging in investment activities in Iran, as determined by appearing on the Final Divestment List created by the NC Department of the State Treasurer, is ineligible to contract with the State of North Carolina or any political subdivision of the State. Refer to NC General Statutes Chapter 147 Article 6E.

# 22. Boycott Israel Divestment Policy

The Divestments from Companies Boycotting Israel Act of 2017, as amended, prohibits State agencies from making investments in, and contracts with, companies that are engaged in a boycott of Israel, as defined by this Act. Any organization that boycotts Israel, as determined by appearing on the Final Divestment List created by the NC Department of the State Treasurer, is ineligible to contract with the State of North Carolina or any political subdivision of the State. Refer to NC General Statutes Chapter 147 Article 6G.

# 23. Application Process Summary Dates

09/22/2025: Request for Applications released to eligible applicants.

10/2/2025: Information Session at 3:00 PM

https://www.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/VmY26tUvRgmAyspr1x1Byg

10/6/2025: End of Q&A period. All questions due in writing by 5:00pm. 10/13/2025: Answers to Questions released as an addendum to the RFA.

11/03/2025: Applications due by 5:00pm. 07/01/2026: Contract proposed start date

## V. PROJECT BUDGET

#### **Budget and Justification**

Applicants must submit a budget, which requires a line-item budget for each year of funding and a narrative justification.

#### **Narrative Justification for Expenses**

A narrative justification must be included for every expense listed in the budget. Each justification should show how the amount on the line-item budget was calculated, and it should be clear how the expense relates to the project.

#### **Allowable and Unallowable Costs:**

According to budget guidance from SAMHSA, below is the summary of allowable and unallowable costs:

- 1. *Advertising And Public Relations*: Advertising and public relations costs are generally unallowable except under the instances allowed by federal regulations such as program outreach and other specific purposes necessary to meet the requirements of the federal award.
- 2. Automobile Costs for Personal Use: The portion of automobile costs furnished by the entity that relates to personal use by employees (including transportation to and from work) is unallowable as either fringe benefit or indirect (F&A) costs.
- 3. *Contingency Funds*: Contingency funds or funds set aside for events whose occurrence cannot be foretold with certainty as to time, intensity, or assurance of their happening are unallowable under non-construction grants.
- 4. *Entertainment*: Costs of entertainment, including amusement, diversion, and social activities and any associated costs are unallowable, except where specific costs that might otherwise be.
- 5. Goods and Services for Personal Use by the non-Federal entity's employees: Costs for these items are unallowable.
- 6. *Incentive Compensation*: Generally unallowable; however, allowable for employees only if based on cost reduction, or efficient performance, suggestion awards, safety awards, etc., to the extent that the overall compensation is reasonable and paid or accrued based on an agreement between the organization and the employees before the services were rendered, or based on an established plan followed by the organization so consistently as to imply an agreement to make such payment.
- 7. *Lobbying/Political Activities*: The costs of certain influencing activities associated with obtaining grants, contracts, cooperative agreements, or loans is unallowable.
- 8. *Major Alteration and Renovation (A&R)*: Payment for the purchase or construction of any building or structure to house any part of the program is unallowable.
- 9. *Meals*: Meals are generally unallowable unless they are a part of per diem or are specifically stated as an allowable expense in the notice of award.
- 10. *Promotional Materials*: Funds must not be used to pay for promotional items and memorabilia including, but not limited to, gifts, souvenirs, clothing, and commemorative

#### The allowable costs are summarized below:

Salary, fringe benefits to include health insurance and retirement. Fringe benefits are allowances and services provided to employees as compensation in addition to regular salaries and wages. Travel Funds

requested in should be for relevant and allowable travel costs for **applicant/recipient organization staff only**. Other allowable costs are:

- 1. Travel costs for consultants, contractors, and subrecipients
- 2. Registration fees for conferences and other events to be attended by organization staff
- 3. Registration fees and other travel costs for training participants
- 4. Minor Alteration and Renovation (A&R)
- 5. Media/Communications
- 6. Supplies
- 7. Rent
- 8. Subscriptions and dues
- 9. Legal/Accounting/Payroll services
- 10. Utilities
- 11. Office, IT and Communications Equipment

## **Travel Reimbursement Rates**

Mileage reimbursement rates must be based on rates determined by the North Carolina Office of State Budget and Management (OSBM). Because mileage rates fluctuate with the price of fuel, the OSBM will release the "Change in IRS Mileage Rate" memorandum to be found on OSBM's website when there is a change in this rate. The current state mileage reimbursement rate is 70 cents per mile.

For other travel related expenses, please refer to the current rates for travel and lodging reimbursement, presented in the chart below. However, please be advised that reimbursement rates periodically change. The Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Use Services will only reimburse for rates authorized in OSBM's North Carolina Budget Manual or adopted by means of an OSBM Budget Memo. These documents are located here: https://www.osbm.nc.gov/budget/budget-manual.

# **Current Rates for Travel and Lodging**

Meals	In State	Out of State
Breakfast	\$16.00	\$16.00
Lunch	\$19.00	\$19.00
Dinner	\$28.00	\$28.00
Total Meals Per Diem Per Day	\$63.00	\$63.00
<b>Lodging</b> (Maximum rate per person, excludes taxes and fees)	\$110.00	\$110.00
Total Travel Allowance Per Day	\$173.00	\$173.00
Mileage	\$0.70 per mile	

## **Other Restrictions (if applicable)**

#### Audits

Level II Grantees (refer section V.12 for details) are required to submit a "Yellow Book" audit. Only Level II Grantees may include audit expenses in the budget. Audit expenses shall be prorated based on the ratio of the grant to the total grant funds received by the entity. The chart below details the Level II

audit threshold amounts from all grants disbursed through the State of North Carolina during the entity's fiscal year:

If the Grantee's Fiscal Year End (FYE)	The following audit thresholds apply for that fiscal year end:				
Date is:	Federal	State Local Government	State Non-Government (nonprofits)		
Any 2024 FYEs through May 31, 2025	\$750,000	\$500,000	\$500,000		
June 30, 2025 through August 31, 2025	\$750,000	\$500,000	\$750,000		
September 30, 2025 and after	\$1,000,000	\$750,000 or \$1,000,000*	\$1,000,000		
*Local government remains \$500,000 but is expected to change for fiscal years beginning on or after October 1.  Amount to be determined.					

#### **Indirect Cost**

Indirect cost is the cost incurred for common or joint objectives which cannot be readily identified but are necessary to the operations of the organization, e.g., the cost of operating and maintaining facilities, depreciation, and administrative salaries. Regulations restricting the allocation of indirect cost vary based on the funding source.

# Funding Source: Substance Use Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery Services Block Grant (SUPTRS BG), Assistance Listing Number: 93.959

Indirect costs are allowed on the portion of the sub-award funded by the Community Based Substance Use Disorders Services Access – Priority populations and areas with elevated rates of overdose or limited access.

Where the applicant has a Federal Negotiated Indirect Cost Rate (FNICR), the applicant agency may request up to the federally negotiated rate. The total modified direct cost identified in the applicant's FNICR shall be applied. A copy of the FNICR must be included with the applicant's budget.

If the applicant does not have an FNICR, then the applicant may claim the de minimis indirect cost rate of 15%, with no additional documentation required, per the federal Uniform Guidance. The applicant may elect to claim a lesser portion of the allowed indirect cost rate. If claiming the de minimis or some portion thereof, it may not exceed the limit of the modified total direct costs in the proposed budget as defined by 2 CFR 200.1 "Modified Total Direct Cost (MTDC)". Applicants must indicate in the budget narrative that they wish to use the de minimis rate, or some part thereof. Applicants who do not wish to claim any indirect cost must enter "No indirect cost requested" in the indirect cost line item of the budget narrative.

# VI. EVALUATION CRITERIA

#### PHASE I: INITIAL QUALIFYING CRITERIA

The applicant's proposal must meet all of the following Phase I application acceptance criteria in order to be considered for further evaluation. Any proposal receiving a "no" response to any of the following qualifying criteria shall be disqualified from consideration.

ITEM	APPLICATION ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA	RFA Section	YES	NO
1	Was the grantee's application received by the deadline specified in the RFA?			
2	Grantee proposal includes all required items as described in Section VII Checklist of			
	the RFA on page 20 including assurances and certifications signed by the grantee			
	responsible representative on page 22			
3	Included in those certifications the Grantee states that it is not excluded from			
	entering into a contract with DHHS/State due to restrictions related to the federal			
	debarment list, etc.			
4	Grantee meets eligibility requirements as stated in Section 1 Page 4			
5	Grantee meets the minimum Qualification Requirements as described in <b>Section 3</b>			
	Page 7/8			
6	Program's review of the Grantee verifies that the vendor is not included State's			
	Suspension of Funding list published weekly by NC OSBM			

#### PHASE II: CRITERIA FOR SCORING PROPOSAL/APPLICATIONS

Qualifying applications will be collectively scored by the proposal review team. All qualified applications will be evaluated and awards made based on the following criteria considered, to result in awards most advantageous to the State. Applications will be scored on the content, quality, and completeness of the responses to the items in the scope of work and to how well each response addresses the following core factors. NCDHHS will consider scores, organizational capacity, and distribution among catchment areas, and variety of quality improvement plans in determining awards. Please note that Contractors not meeting the eligibility requirements or any of the minimum or mandatory requirements as stated in Phase I will not be scored.

All scores must total 100.

Evaluation Criteria	Score
Proposal Summary	5
Organizational Background and Qualifications	10
Assessment of Need	15
Project Description	20
Collaboration and Community Support	20
Potential Impact	15
Budget and Budget Narrative	10
Supporting Documentation	5
Total Score	100

# VII. APPLICATION

# **Application Checklist**

The following items must be included in the application:

1.	Cover Letter
2.	Application Face Sheet
3.	Applicant's Response/Form
4.	Project Budget Include a budget in the format provided.
5.	Indirect Cost Rate Approval Letter (if applicable)
6.	SubGrantee / SubContractor Information (if applicable)
7.	Letters of Commitment or Statements of Support (if applicable)
8.	<ul> <li>IRS Documentation:</li> <li>IRS Letter Documenting Your Organization's Tax Identification</li> <li>Number (public agencies)</li> </ul>
	or
	IRS Determination Letter Regarding Your Organization's 501(c)(3) Tax-exempt Status (private non-profits)
	and
9.	Verification of 501(c)(3) Status Form (private non-profits)

## 1. Cover Letter

The application must include a cover letter, on agency letterhead, signed and dated by an individual authorized to legally bind the Applicant.

Include in the cover letter:

- the legal name of the Applicant agency
- the RFA number
- the Applicant agency's federal tax identification number
- the Applicant agency's Unique Entity Identifier (UEI)
- the closing date for applications.

# 2. Application Face Sheet

This form provides basic information about the applicant and the proposed project with NCDHHS DMHDDSUS, including the signature of the individual authorized to sign "official documents" for the agency. This form is the application's cover page. Signature affirms that the facts contained in the applicant's response to RFA # DMH25-005 are truthful and that the applicant is in compliance with the assurances and certifications that follow this form and acknowledges that continued compliance is a condition for the award of a contract. Please follow the instructions below.

1. Legal Name of Agency:				
Name of individual with Signature Authority:				
3. Mailing Address (include zip code+4):				
4. Address to which checks will be mailed:				
5. Street Address:				
6. Contract Administrator:	Telephone Number:			
Name:	Fax Number:			
Title:	Email Address			
7. Agency Status (check all that apply):				
☐ Public ☐ Private Non-Profit ☐	LME/MCO			
8. Agency Federal Tax ID Number:	9. Agency UEI:			
10. Agency's URL (website):				
11. Agency's Financial Reporting Year:				
12. Current Service Delivery Areas (county(ies) and	communities):			
13. Proposed Area(s) To Be Served with Funding (c	county(ies) and communities):			
14. Amount of Funding Requested				
15. Projected Expenditures: Does applicant's state a	nd/or federal expenditures exceed \$1,000,000 for applicant's current			
fiscal year (excluding amount requested in #14) Yes □ No □				
The governing body of the applicant has duly authorized this document and I am authorized to represent the applicant. I certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that the information provided herein is true, complete, and accurate. I am aware that the provision of false, fictitious, or fraudulent information, or the omission of any material fact, may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative consequences including, but not limited to violations of U.S. Code Title 18, Sections 2, 1001, 1343 and Title 31, Sections 3729-3730 and 3801-3812."				
6. Signature of Authorized Representative:  17. Date				

#### 3. Applicant's Response

While we recognize that every project will vary greatly, page limits have been set on certain sections. Please see below in parenthesis what those limits may be.

## A. Proposal Summary: (1 page limit)

The summary should be prepared after the application has been developed in order to encompass all the key points necessary to communicate the objectives of the project. It is the document that becomes the cornerstone of the proposal, and the initial impression it gives will be critical to success of the venture. In many cases, the summary will be the first part of the proposal package seen by agency and very possible could be the only part of the package that is carefully reviewed before the decision is made to consider the project any further.

# B. Organization Background and Qualifications: Describes the organization and its qualifications for funding (5 page limit)

- 1) Mission and goal of the Organization
- 2) A brief overview of the contractor's history
- 3) Brief overview of the contractor's experience with providing the service (organizations past achievements and accomplishments and evidence of its impact)
- 4) Brief overview of all services provided by the Grantee within the last five years, including:
  - i) The beginning and ending dates of the contracts;
  - ii) The services provided under those contracts;
  - iii) The total number of Grantee employees assigned to service each contract;
  - iv) Whether any of those contracts were extended or renewed at the end of their initial terms:
  - v) Whether any of those contracts were terminated early for cause by either party to the contract;
  - vi) The "lessons learned" from each of those contracts; and
  - vii) The name, address, and telephone number of at least one manager in each client organization who is personally familiar with the Vendor's performance under the contract
- 5) Qualifications/background on organization's Board of Directors and Key Staff
- 6) The details of:
  - i) Any criminal convictions of any of the Grantee or any of their officers, directors, employees, agents or subcontractors of which the Grantee have knowledge or a statement that there are none;
  - ii) Any criminal investigations pending against of any of the Grantee or any of their officers, directors, employees, agents or subcontractors of which the Grantees have knowledge or a statement that there are none;
  - iii) Any regulatory sanctions levied against any of the Grantee or any of their officers, directors, employees, agents or subcontractors by any state or federal regulatory agencies within the past three years of which the Contractor s have knowledge or a statement that there are none. As used herein, the term "regulatory sanctions" includes the revocation or suspension of any license or certification, the levying of any monetary penalties or fines, and the issuance of any written warnings;
  - iv) Any regulatory investigations pending against of any of the Grantees or any of their

officers, directors, employees, agents or subcontractors by any state or federal regulatory agencies of which the Grantees have knowledge or a statement that there are none.

Note: The Department may reject a proposal solely on the basis of this information.

- v) Any of the Grantee's directors, partners, proprietors, officers or employees or any of the proposed project staff are related to any DHHS employees. If such relationships exist, identify the related individuals, describe their relationships, and identify their respective employers and positions.
- vi) Assurance that the Grantee and the proposed Grantee staff are not excluded from participation by Medicaid or the Office of the Inspector General of the United States Department of Health and Human Services.
- 7) Other major donors and summary of dollar amounts of contribution(s)

# C. Assessment of Need/s(Problem Statement) (5 page limit)

- 1) Problem (explain why the service is necessary)
- 2) Describe what your organization is doing to address this problem
- 3) Primary State/Counties Served
- 4) Ethnicity, age, and gender of population served
- 5) Target population or who are you plan on serving
- 6) Number of beneficiaries
- 7) Eligibility requirements to receive service
- 8) Statistical facts and figures (national, state, local)
- 9) Program Website

# D. A written description of the Grantees's approach to the project, including identification of key partners (3 page limit.

Provides a comprehensive framework understanding and description of the RFA. (The Grantee's Approach to the project so that the desired results can be achieved).

List Goals and Objectives of the project (describes how they will be met and the outcome of the project in measurable terms.

- 1) Goals: Note: The outcome is derived from the goal. It has the same intention but it is more specific, quantifiable and verifiable than the goals. Please be aware of how realistic your outcomes are and that the outcomes should be aware of time-restraints. Outcomes should be SMART Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Realistic, and Time-Bound. Grantees must describe the program's intent to maintain, change, reduce, or eliminate the problem noted in Section II and outline the project's goals.
- 2) Objectives: Objectives are the measurable outcomes of the project. They define your methods. Your objectives must be tangible, specific, concrete, measurable and achievable in a specified time period.
- E. A description of how the Grantee will meet each of the requirements and deliverable described in the scope of work (The Plan of Action). (10 page limit

The project design refers to how the project is expected to work and solve the stated problem. The section should be carefully reviewed to make sure that what is being proposed is realistic in terms of the Grantee's resources and timeframe. Suggested content narrative include:

- 1) Task Description of Project Activities, Inputs, Activities and Throughputs, Strategies and Methodologies and Schedules.
- 2) Performance Measures (Outputs and Quality Measures). Provide key measure that supports and measures the success of the project. When providing these measures please include the measure description, baseline, target, data source, collection plan and collection frequency.
- 3) Project Outcome (Describes the impact or benefit of the service on the client or customer or describes what was changed or accomplished as a result of the service. The outcome measures should be characterized as measureable, obtainable, understandable, clear, accurately reflecting the expected result, and set at a level to be attained within a specific time frame. Once the measures have been selected, it is necessary to design a way to get the information (see project evaluation) below. Expressed as a percentage and shows the qualitative consequences associated with the service)
- F. Project Implementation Plan (Work plans, timelines, schedules and transition plans for the project) (**NO page limit**)
- G. A description of how the Grantee will staff the project, including the name, resume and qualifications of each of the proposed team members (including subcontractors. (**Note: This may need to go in the Appendix- NO page limit**)
- H. Sustainability (Steps taken to ensure future successes or continuing the project beyond the awarded period, e.g. future financial support, staff requirements, continued community interest).
   (NO page limit)
- I. Resolution of Challenges: an analysis of the project's risk and limitations, including how these factors will be addressed or minimized. (regulatory, environmental or other constraints. (NO page limit)

# 4. Project Budget



Master Line Item Budget Template.xlsx

5.	Indirect Cost Rate Approval Letter (if applicable)

#### 6. SubContractor/SubGrantee Information

In accordance with 09 N.C. Administrative Code 03M.0703, Required Contract Provisions, the Applicant must provide the required information for every subcontractor and subgrantee included in the Project Budget. If the Applicant has no subcontractor and subgrantee, indicate that in the first line under "Name." If the Applicant plans to have subcontractors or subgrantees but they are unknown at this time, that must be indicated in the first line under "Name" for as many as are planned. When they are known, this information shall be submitted to the Division for review prior to the Applicant contracting with the entity. Attach additional pages as necessary.

NOTE: If awarded federal pass-through funds, subgrantees must certify to the Applicant whenever applying for funds, requesting payment, and submitting financial reports:

"I certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that the information provided herein is true, complete, and accurate. I am aware that the provision of false, fictitious, or fraudulent information, or the omission of any material fact, may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative consequences including, but not limited to violations of U.S. Code Title 18, Sections 2, 1001, 1343 and Title 31, Sections 3729-3730 and 3801-3812."

**SubContractor/SubGrantee Name:** 

**Position Title (if applicable):** 

**EIN or Tax ID:** 

**Street Address or PO Box:** 

City, State and ZIP Code:

**Contact Name:** 

**Contact Email:** 

**Contact Telephone:** 

**Fiscal Year End Date (for organizations):** 

Is this organization functioning as a pass-through entity "SubGrantee" of the Applicant? Is this organization functioning as a vendor "SubContractor" of the Applicant?

**SubContractor/SubGrantee Name:** 

**Position Title (if applicable):** 

**EIN or Tax ID:** 

**Street Address or PO Box:** 

City, State and ZIP Code:

**Contact Name:** 

**Contact Email:** 

**Contact Telephone:** 

**Fiscal Year End Date (for organizations):** 

Is this organization functioning as a pass-through entity "SubGrantee" of the Applicant? Is this organization functioning as a vendor "SubContractor" of the Applicant?

# 7. Letters of Commitment OR Statement of Support

Letters of Support or Commitment should be included from any agency or community organization integral to the success or implementation of the proposed activities. Examples of such agencies include those that provide clinical services, outreach services, financial support, meeting space, transportation, access to participants or comparison group members, or services to participants beyond the scope of the applicant agency. Current MOUs with partner organizations or LME/MCO in the region will also be accepted.

#### 8. IRS Documentation

# Public Agencies:

Provide a copy of a letter from the IRS which documents your organization's tax identification number. The organization's name and address on the letter must match your current organization's name and address.

## Private Non-profits:

Provide a copy of an IRS determination letter which states that your organization has been granted exemption from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. The organization's name and address on the letter must match your current organization's name and address.

This IRS determination letter can also satisfy the documentation requirement of your organization's tax identification number.

# 9. Verification of 501(c)(3) Status Form

# **IRS Tax Exemption Verification Form (Annual)**

I,	, hereby state that I am					of	
(Printed Name)	•	(Title)					
	("Organization"),	and	by	that	authority	duly	given
(Legal Name of Organization)							
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# **Appendix A Forms for Reference**

Do **NOT** complete these documents at this time **nor return them** with the RFA response.

They are for reference only.

# FEDERAL CERTIFICATIONS

#### The undersigned states that:

- 1. He or she is the duly authorized representative of the Contractor named below;
- 2. He or she is authorized to make, and does hereby make, the following certifications on behalf of the Contractor, as set out herein:
  - The Certification Regarding Nondiscrimination;
  - The Certification Regarding Drug-Free Workplace Requirements;
  - The Certification Regarding Environmental Tobacco Smoke;
  - The Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion Lower Tier Covered Transactions; and
  - The Certification Regarding Lobbying;
- 3. He or she has completed the Certification Regarding Drug-Free Workplace Requirements by providing the addresses at which the contract work will be performed;

Co	ontractor [Organization's] Legal Name	 Date
Sig	gnature	Title
	The Contractor shall require its subcontractors, if any, to make the same certific	
	He or she has not completed the attached Disclosure of Lobbying Activity not made, and has no agreement to make, any payment to any lobb attempting to influence any officer or employee of any agency, any Memlemployee of Congress, or any employee of a Member of Congress in confaction.	ying entity for influencing or per of Congress, any officer or
	OR	
	He or she has completed the attached Disclosure of Lobbying Activiti made, or has an agreement to make, a payment to a lobbying entity for influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with a confidence of the congress of the congres	or influencing or attempting to ss, an officer or employee of
4.	[Check the applicable statement]	

[This Certification must be signed by a representative of the Contractor who is authorized to sign contracts.]

# I. Certification Regarding Nondiscrimination

The Contractor certifies that it will comply with all Federal statutes relating to nondiscrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§1681-1683, and 1685-1686), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. §794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (h) the Food Stamp Act and USDA policy, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of religion and political beliefs; and (i) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statutes which may apply to this Agreement.

## II. Certification Regarding Drug-Free Workplace Requirements

- 1. **The Contractor certifies** that it will provide a drug-free workplace by:
  - a. Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the Contractor's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition;
  - b. Establishing a drug-free awareness program to inform employees about:
    - (1) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
    - (2) The Contractor's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
    - (3) Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and
    - (4) The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace;
  - c. Making it a requirement that each employee be engaged in the performance of the agreement be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph (a);
  - d. Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph (a) that, as a condition of employment under the agreement, the employee will:
    - (1) Abide by the terms of the statement; and
    - (2) Notify the employer of any criminal drug statute conviction for a violation occurring in the workplace no later than five days after such conviction;
  - e. Notifying the Department within ten days after receiving notice under subparagraph (d)(2) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction;
  - f. Taking one of the following actions, within 30 days of receiving notice under subparagraph (d)(2), with respect to any employee who is so convicted:
    - (1) taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination; or

- (2) Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal, State, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency; and
- g. Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), and (f).
- 2. The sites for the performance of work done in connection with the specific agreement are listed below (list all sites; add additional pages if necessary):

Street Address No.1:		
City, State, Zip Code:		
Street Address No.2:		
City, State, Zip Code:		

- 3. Contractor will inform the Department of any additional sites for performance of work under this agreement.
- 4. False certification or violation of the certification may be grounds for suspension of payment, suspension or termination of grants, or government-wide Federal suspension or debarment. 45 C.F.R. 82.510.

#### III. Certification Regarding Environmental Tobacco Smoke

Public Law 103-227, Part C-Environmental Tobacco Smoke, also known as the Pro-Children Act of 1994 (Act), requires that smoking not be permitted in any portion of any indoor facility owned or leased or contracted for by an entity and used routinely or regularly for the provision of health, day care, education, or library services to children under the age of 18, if the services are funded by Federal programs either directly or through State or local governments, by Federal grant, contract, loan, or loan guarantee. The law does not apply to children's services provided in private residences, facilities funded solely by Medicare or Medicaid funds, and portions of facilities used for inpatient drug or alcohol treatment. Failure to comply with the provisions of the law may result in the imposition of a civil monetary penalty of up to \$1,000.00 per day and/or the imposition of an administrative compliance order on the responsible entity.

**The Contractor certifies** that it will comply with the requirements of the Act. The Contractor further agrees that it will require the language of this certification be included in any subawards that contain provisions for children's services and that all subgrantees shall certify accordingly.

# IV. Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion Lower Tier Covered Transactions

## Instructions

[The phrase "prospective lower tier participant" means the Contractor.]

- 1. By signing and submitting this document, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out below.
- 2. The certification in this clause is a material representation of the fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originate may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.
- 3. The prospective lower tier participant will provide immediate written notice to the person to whom this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
- 4. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "lower tier covered transaction," "participant," "person," "primary covered transaction," "principal," "proposal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of rules implementing Executive Order 12549, 45 CFR Part 76. You may contact the person to whom this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.
- 5. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, determined ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.
- 6. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this document that it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transaction," without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.
- 7. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the Nonprocurement List.
- 8. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
- 9. Except for transactions authorized in paragraph 5 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension, and/or debarment.

#### Certification

a. **The prospective lower tier participant certifies,** by submission of this document, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.

b. Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

#### V. Certification Regarding Lobbying

**The Contractor certifies**, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

- 1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- 2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federally funded contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form SF-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," in accordance with its instructions.
- 3. The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award document for subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) who receive federal funds of \$100,000.00 or more and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.
- 4. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by Section 1352, Title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000.00 and not more than \$100,000.00 for each such failure.

# VI. Disclosure of Lobbying Activities

#### **Instructions**

This disclosure form shall be completed by the reporting entity, whether subawardee or prime Federal recipient, at the initiation or receipt of a covered Federal action, or a material change to a previous filing, pursuant to title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. The filing of a form is required for each payment or agreement to make payment to any lobbying entity for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with a covered Federal action. Use the SF-LLL-A Continuation Sheet for additional information if the space on the form is inadequate. Complete all items that apply for both the initial filing and material change report. Refer to the implementing guidance published by the Office of Management and Budget for additional information.

- 1. Identify the type of covered Federal action for which lobbying activity is and/or has been secured to influence the outcome of a covered Federal action.
- 2. Identify the status of the covered Federal action.
- 3. Identify the appropriate classification of this report. If this is a follow-up report caused by a material change to the information previously reported, enter the year and quarter in which the change occurred. Enter the date of the last previously submitted report by this reporting entity for this covered Federal action.

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- 4. Enter the full name, address, city, state and zip code of the reporting entity. Include Congressional District, if known. Check the appropriate classification of the reporting entity that designates if it is, or expects to be, a prime or sub-award recipient. Identify the tier of the subawardee, e.g., the first subawardee of the prime is the 1st tier. Subawards include but are not limited to subcontracts, subgrants and contract awards under grants.
- 5. If the organization filing the report in Item 4 checks "Subawardee", then enter the full name, address, city, state and zip code of the prime Federal recipient. Include Congressional District, if known.
- 6. Enter the name of the Federal agency making the award or loan commitment. Include at least one organizational level below agency name, if known. For example, Department of Transportation, United States Coast Guard.
- 7. Enter the Federal program name or description for the covered Federal action (Item 1). If known, enter the full Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number for grants, cooperative agreements, loans, and loan commitments.
- 8. Enter the most appropriate Federal Identifying number available for the Federal action identified in Item 1 (e.g., Request for Proposal (RFP) number, Invitation for Bid (IFB) number, grant announcement number, the contract grant, or loan award number, the application/proposal control number assigned by the Federal agency). Include prefixes, e.g., "RFP-DE-90-001."
- 9. For a covered Federal action where there has been an award or loan commitment by the Federal agency, enter the Federal amount of the award/loan commitment for the prime entity identified in Item 4 or 5.
- 10. (a) Enter the full name, address, city, state and zip code of the lobbying entity engaged by the reporting entity identified in Item 4 to influence the covered Federal action.
  - (b) Enter the full names of the individual(s) performing services, and include full address if different from 10(a). Enter Last Name, First Name and Middle Initial (MI).
- 11. Enter the amount of compensation paid or reasonably expected to be paid by the reporting entity (Item 4) to the lobbying entity (Item 10). Indicate whether the payment has been made (actual) or will be made (planned). Check all boxes that apply. If this is a material change report, enter the cumulative amount of payment made or planned to be made.
- 12. Check the appropriate boxes. Check all boxes that apply. If payment is made through an in-kind contribution, specify the nature and value of the in-kind payment.
- 13. Check the appropriate boxes. Check all boxes that apply. If other, specify nature.
- 14. Provide a specific and detailed description of the services that the lobbyist has performed, or will be expected to perform, and the date(s) of any services rendered. Include all preparatory and related activity, not just time spent in actual contact with Federal officials. Identify the Federal official(s) or employee(s) contacted or the officer(s), employee(s), or Member(s) of Congress that were contacted.
- 15. Check whether or not a SF-LLL-A Continuation Sheet(s) is attached.
- 16. The certifying official shall sign and date the form, print his/her name, title, and telephone number.

# Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (Approved by OMB 0348-0046)

# Complete this form to disclose lobbying activities pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352

1. Type of Federal Action:	Type of Federal Action:  2. Status of Federal A			3. Report Type:			
a. contract b. grant c. cooperative agreement d. loan e. loan guarantee f. loan insurance	□ a. Bid/offer/app □ b. Initial Award □ c. Post-Award	·d		a. initial filing b. material change  For Material Change Only:  Year Quarter  Date of Last Report:			
				5. If Reporting Entity in No. 4 is Subawardee, Enter Name and Address of Prime:			
Congressional District (if known)			ssional District (				
6. Federal Department/Agency:		7. Federal Program Name/Description:  CFDA Number (if applicable)					
8. Federal Action Number (if known)	8. Federal Action Number (if known)			9. Award Amount (if known) :			
10. a. Name and Address of Lobbying Registrant (if individual, last name, first name, MI):  (attach Continuation Sheet(s) SF-LLL-A, if necessary)			different from	erforming Services (including address if a No. 10a.) (last name, first name, MI): inuation Sheet(s) SF-LLL-A, if necessary)			
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14. Brief Description of Services Performed or to be Performed and Date(s) of Services, including officer(s), employee(s), or Member(s) contacted, for Payment Indicated in Item 11(attach Continuation Sheet(s) SF-LLL-A, if necessary):							
15. Continuation Sheet(s) SF-LLL-A attached	l:		Yes	☐ No			

16.	Information requested through this form is authorized by title 31 U. S. C. section 1352. This disclosure of lobbying activities is a	Signature:	
	material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed by the tier above when this transaction was made or entered into.	Print Name:	
	This disclosure is required pursuant to 31 U. S. C. 1352. This information will be reported to the Congress semi-annually and will be available for public inspection. Any person who fails to file the required disclosure shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such	Title:	
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			Standard Form - LLL

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 30 minutes per response, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (0348-0046), Washington, D. C. 20503

# **CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY**

# **CONFLICT OF INTEREST ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND POLICY**

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struction for Organization: Sign and attach the following pages after adopted by the Board of Directors/Trustees or other governing body OR replace the following with the current adopted conflict of interest policy.
Name of Organization
Reference only — Not for signature
Signature of Organization Official

#### **Conflict of Interest Policy Example**

The Board of Directors/Trustees or other governing persons, officers, employees or agents are to avoid any conflict of interest, even the appearance of a conflict of interest. The Organization's Board of Directors, Trustees, or other governing body, officers, staff and agents are obligated to always act in the best interest of the organization. This obligation requires that any Board member or other governing person, officer, employee or agent, in the performance of Organization duties, seek only the furtherance of the Organization mission. At all times, Board members or other governing persons, officers, employees or agents, are prohibited from using their job title, the Organization's name or property, for private profit or benefit.

- A. The Board members or other governing persons, officers, employees, or agents of the Organization should neither solicit nor accept gratuities, favors, or anything of monetary value from current or potential contractors/vendors, persons receiving benefits from the Organization or persons who may benefit from the actions of any Board member or other governing person, officer, employee or agent. This is not intended to preclude bona-fide Organization fund raising-activities.
- B. A Board or other governing body member may, with the approval of Board or other governing body, receive honoraria for lectures and other such activities while not acting in any official capacity for the Organization. Officers may, with the approval of the Board or other governing body, receive honoraria for lectures and other such activities while on personal days, compensatory time, annual leave, or leave without pay. Employees may, with the prior written approval of their supervisor, receive honoraria for lectures and other such activities while on personal days, compensatory time, annual leave, or leave without pay. If a Board or other governing body member, officer, employee or agent is acting in any official capacity, honoraria received in connection with activities relating to the Organization are to be paid to the Organization.
- C. No Board member or other governing person, officer, employee, or agent of the Organization shall participate in the selection, award, or administration of a purchase or contract with a vendor where, to his knowledge, any of the following has a financial interest in that purchase or contract:
  - 1. The Board member or other governing person, officer, employee, or agent;
  - 2. Any member of their family by whole or half blood, step or personal relationship or relative-in-law:
  - 3. An organization in which any of the above is an officer, director, or employee:
  - 4. A person or organization with whom any of the above individuals is negotiating or has any arrangement concerning prospective employment or contracts.
- D. **Duty to Disclosure** -- Any conflict of interest, potential conflict of interest, or the appearance of a conflict of interest is to be reported to the Board or other governing body or one's supervisor immediately.
- E. **Board Action** -- When a conflict of interest is relevant to a matter requiring action by the Board of Directors/Trustees or other governing body, the Board member or other governing person, officer, employee, or agent (person(s)) must disclose the existence of the conflict of interest and be given the opportunity to disclose all material facts to the Board and members of committees with governing board delegated powers considering the possible conflict of interest. After disclosure of all material facts, and after any discussion with the person, he/she shall leave the governing board or committee meeting while the determination of a conflict of interest is discussed and voted upon. The remaining board or committee members shall decide if a conflict of interest exists.

In addition, the person(s) shall not participate in the final deliberation or decision regarding the matter under consideration and shall leave the meeting during the discussion of and vote of the Board of Directors/Trustees or other governing body.

- **F. Violations of the Conflicts of Interest Policy --** If the Board of Directors/Trustees or other governing body has reasonable cause to believe a member, officer, employee or agent has failed to disclose actual or possible conflicts of interest, it shall inform the person of the basis for such belief and afford the person an opportunity to explain the alleged failure to disclose. If, after hearing the person's response and after making further investigation as warranted by the circumstances, the Board of Directors/Trustees or other governing body determines the member, officer, employee or agent has failed to disclose an actual or possible conflict of interest, it shall take appropriate disciplinary and corrective action.
- G. **Record of Conflict** -- The minutes of the governing board and all committees with board delegated powers shall contain:
  - 1. The names of the persons who disclosed or otherwise were found to have an actual or possible conflict of interest, the nature of the conflict of interest, any action taken to determine whether a conflict of interest was present, and the governing board's or committee's decision as to whether a conflict of interest in fact existed.
  - 2. The names of the persons who were present for discussions and votes relating to the transaction or arrangement that presents a possible conflict of interest, the content of the discussion, including any alternatives to the transaction or arrangement, and a record of any votes taken in connection with the proceedings.

Approved by:	
Name of Organization	
Signature of Organization Official	
Date	

# **NO OVERDUE TAX DEBTS CERTIFICATION**

State Grant Certification -	- No Overdue Tax Debts <sup>1</sup>	
To: State Agency Head and	d Chief Fiscal Officer	
full legal name] does not have ar State, or local level. We furth	ny overdue tax debts, as defined by <b>N.C.G.</b> er understand that any person who makes a lty of a criminal offense punishable as prov	S. 105-243.1, at the federal, a false statement in violation of
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	[Name of Second A	Authorizing Official] being duly
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to the appropriate authorities f	For further action.	-
Reference only — Not for signature	Board Chair	
Reference only — Not for signature	Title	Date
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MS&NCD Form 0008, Eff. July 1, 2005. Revised July 18, 2006, 7/07, 8/09, 9/11

# **CONTRACTOR CERTIFICATIONS**

#### **State Certifications**

#### **Contractor Certifications Required by North Carolina Law**

Instructions: The person who signs this document should read the text of the statutes and Executive Order listed below and consult with counsel and other knowledgeable persons before signing. The word 'Contractor' includes Grantees. The text of each North Carolina General Statutes and of the Executive Order can be found online at:

- Article 2 of Chapter 64: <a href="http://www.ncga.state.nc.us/EnactedLegislation/Statutes/PDF/ByArticle/Chapter-64/Article-2.pdf">http://www.ncga.state.nc.us/EnactedLegislation/Statutes/PDF/ByArticle/Chapter-64/Article-2.pdf</a>
- G.S. 133-32: <a href="http://www.ncga.state.nc.us/gascripts/statutes/statutelookup.pl?statute=133-32">http://www.ncga.state.nc.us/gascripts/statutes/statutelookup.pl?statute=133-32</a>
- Executive Order No. 24 (Perdue, Gov., Oct. 1, 2009): http://www.ethicscommission.nc.gov/library/pdfs/Laws/EO24.pdf
- G.S. 105-164.8(b): <a href="http://www.ncga.state.nc.us/EnactedLegislation/Statutes/PDF/BySection/Chapter 105/GS 105-164.8.pdf">http://www.ncga.state.nc.us/EnactedLegislation/Statutes/PDF/BySection/Chapter 105/GS 105-164.8.pdf</a>
- G.S. 143-48.5: http://www.ncga.state.nc.us/EnactedLegislation/Statutes/HTML/BySection/Chapter 143/GS 143-48.5.html
- G.S. 143-59.1: http://www.ncga.state.nc.us/EnactedLegislation/Statutes/PDF/BySection/Chapter 143/GS 143-59.1.pdf
- G.S. 143-59.2: http://www.ncga.state.nc.us/EnactedLegislation/Statutes/PDF/BySection/Chapter\_143/GS\_143-59.2.pdf
- G.S. 143-133.3: http://www.ncga.state.nc.us/EnactedLegislation/Statutes/HTML/BySection/Chapter 143/GS 143-133.3.html
- G.S. 143B-139.6C: http://www.ncga.state.nc.us/EnactedLegislation/Statutes/PDF/BySection/Chapter 143B/GS 143B-139.6C.pdf

#### Certifications

- Pursuant to G.S. 133-32 and Executive Order No. 24 (Perdue, Gov., principal market for the public trading of the stock of the corporation (1) Oct. 1, 2009), the undersigned hereby certifies that the Contractor named incorporated in the tax haven country. below is in compliance with, and has not violated, the provisions of (4) Pursuant to G.S. 143-59.2(b), the undersigned hereby certifies either said statute or Executive Order.
- (2) Pursuant to G.S. 143-48.5 and G.S. 143-133.3, the undersigned hereby certifies that the Contractor named below, and the Contractor's subcontractors, complies with the requirements of Article 2 of Chapter 64 of the NC General Statutes, including the requirement for each employer with more than 25 employees in North Carolina to verify the work authorization of its employees through the federal E-Verify system." E-Verify System Link: www.uscis.gov
- Pursuant to G.S. 143-59.1(b), the undersigned hereby certifies that the (3) Contractor named below is not an "ineligible Contractor" as set forth in G.S. 143-59.1(a) because:
- (a) Neither the Contractor nor any of its affiliates has refused to collect the use tax levied under Article 5 of Chapter 105 of the General Statutes on its sales delivered to North Carolina when the sales met one or more of the conditions of G.S. 105-164.8(b); and
- (b) [check **one** of the following boxes]
- Neither the Contractor nor any of its affiliates has incorporated or reincorporated in a "tax haven country" as set forth in G.S. 143-59.1(c)(2) after December 31, 2001; **or**
- The Contractor or one of its affiliates has incorporated or reincorporated in a "tax haven country" as set forth in G.S. 143-59.1(c)(2) after December 31, 2001 but the United States is not the

- that none of the Contractor's officers, directors, or owners (if the Contractor is an unincorporated business entity) has been convicted of any violation of Chapter 78A of the General Statutes or the Securities Act of 1933 or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 within 10 years immediately prior to the date of the bid
- (5) **Pursuant to G.S. 143B-139.6C**, the undersigned hereby certifies that the Contractor will not use a former employee, as defined by G.S. 143B-139.6C(d)(2), of the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services in the administration of a contract with the Department in violation of G.S. 143B-139.6C and that a violation of that statute shall void the Agreement.
- (6) The undersigned hereby certifies further that:
  - (a) He or she is a duly authorized representative of the Contractor named below;
  - (b) He or she is authorized to make, and does hereby make, the foregoing certifications on behalf of the Contractor; and
  - (c) He or she understands that any person who knowingly submits a false certification in response to the requirements of G.S. 143-59.1 and -59.2 shall be guilty of a Class I felony.

Contractor's Name			
Contractor's Authorized Agent:	Signature		Date
	Printed Name	Title	
Vitness:	Signature		Date
	Printed Name	Title	

The witness should be present when the Contractor's Authorized Agent signs this certification and should sign and date this document immediately thereafter.

## **FFATA Form**

Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA) Data Reporting Requirement NC DHHS, Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Use Services Subawardee Information

#### A. Exemptions from Reporting

- 1. Entities are **exempted** from the entire FFATA reporting requirement if **any** of the following are true:
  - The entity has a gross income, from all sources, of less than \$300,000 in the previous tax year
  - The entity is an individual
  - If the required reporting would disclose classified information
- 2. Entities who are not exempted for the FFATA reporting requirement may be exempted from the requirement to provide executive compensation data. This executive compensation data is **required only if both** are true:
  - More than 80% of the entity's gross revenues are from the federal government **and** those revenues are more than \$25 million in the preceding fiscal year
  - Compensation information is <u>not</u> already available through reporting to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

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## Confirmation of Registration and Login NC Electronic Vendor Portal (eVP) and eProcurement

Grantees and contractors under contract with the NC DHHS Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, Substance Use Services (DMHDDSUS) must be registered in the NC Electronic Vendor Portal (eVP) to receive reimbursements and payments. When registering, grantees must choose NC eProcurement as their registration type. There is no fee to register.

Please note that grantees and contractors <u>must login to NC eVP at least once a year</u> to keep your account active and out of inactive status.

In order to avoid payment delays, please provide your eVP Customer Number below and confirm that you have logged in to eVP to keep your account active. When you login to eVP, your Customer Number can be found on your Main Page and also under the Company Information Tab.

Confirmed by:	
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