

RURAL OPIOID PREVENTION AND EARLY SCREENING (ROPES) NOFO FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ)

Question 1:

Do you have any data on current levels of need, year-to-date number of youth referred for opioid screening and treatment, and/or other data that could help inform expected case-loads?

- The intention is for the contractor to establish a referral systems for opioid and other substance screening, assessment and treatment. We estimate there are between 140-165 youth who have misused prescription medication or heroin in the past 30 days in each of the service areas. The number of youth expected to be detected and referred is unclear.

Question 2:

Is an existing MOU with each school/school district required as part of the applications?

- No

Question 3:

Can an organization bid for both school districts areas or are you wanting to contract each area to separate organizations?

- Yes, organizations can apply for both Service Areas in separate applications

Question 4:

I plan on hiring a person with a CADC to meet grant expectations yet when I was reading requirements, it seems that current staff might not have the credentials to supervise the CADC that we hire. Although I have been in Mental Health and Alcohol and Drug practice for 35 years, I have never gotten my CADC. I am a Licensed Occupational Therapist yet our profession is not listed in the State requirements. Am I reading the requirement correct?

- The Rural Opioid and Prevention Early Screening program requires direct services from a Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor (CADC I), certified through the Mental Health and Addictions Counseling Board of Oregon (MHACBO). A CADC I can be supervised by a CADC II or higher, or someone that meets applicable credentialing or licensing standards, as set forth In Rule 309-018-0125.

https://oregon.public.law/rules/oar_309-018-0125

Further Supervisory requirements can be located in OAR 309-018-0130: Documentation, Training and Supervision:

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Question 5:

I wanted to confirm whether the word max is firm and if we will have penalties or points removed if we are to go slightly over in any sections?

- While there are no point reductions for exceeding the requested word count, it will be noticed and factored into the overall impression of the quality of the application. It is therefore discouraged. We will let you know if we would like further information after reading the applications.