Strengthening ACEs and Substance Use Prevention Programming with HOPE (SASPP) Project

Request for Proposals Informational Webinar

November 6th, 2023, 2:00-3:00pm EST
About NACCHO

• NACCHO is the voice of the approximately 2,800 local health departments (LHDs) across the country.

• NACCHO provides capacity-building resources that support LHD leaders in developing and implementing public health policies and practices, ensuring communities have access to the vital programs and services that protect them from disease and disaster.

• NACCHO advocates on behalf of LHDs with federal policymakers for adequate resources, appropriate public health legislation, and sensible policies to address the myriad of challenges facing communities.
The Relationship between ACEs and Substance Use

Potentially Traumatic event

Trauma-related symptoms

Increased anxiety, arousal, and trauma-related symptoms

Self-medication

Victimization and violence

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ACEs Prevention Strategies

- ACEs and their associated harms are preventable.
- Preventing ACEs is a priority for CDC.
- Evidence-based, culturally responsive strategies are critical.

Source: CDC’s Adverse Childhood Experiences Prevention Resources for Action
# Overlap of ACEs Prevention and SU/Overdose Prevention in Action

## Primary Prevention

| Reduce negative risk conditions and promote protective factors to prevent SU/overdose from occurring | **EXAMPLE:** A Nurse Family Partnership (i.e., ensure a strong start for children) program that prevents ACEs and serves as upstream prevention for SU/overdose. |

## Secondary Prevention

| Identify and focus on individuals at high risk | **EXAMPLE:** A Big Brother, Big Sister program (i.e., connect youth to caring adults and activities) that focuses its reach to youth most at risk for substance use. |

## Tertiary Prevention

| Reduce health impact; managing SUD symptoms or diagnosis once present | **EXAMPLE:** A Strengthening Families Program 10-11 (i.e., teach skills) that is included as an offering for families of individuals in a substance use treatment program. |
Positive Childhood Experiences scale questions

As a child, how often did you ...

1. Feel able to talk to your family about feelings
2. Feel your family stood by you during difficult times
3. Enjoy participating in community traditions
4. Feel a sense of belonging in high school
5. Feel supported by friends
6. Have at least two non-parent adults who took genuine interest in you
7. Feel safe and protected by an adult in your home
Higher PCEs Associated With Lower Substance Use

2019 Montana BRFSS Data

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PCEs protect against the impact of ACEs

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Background and Eligibility Requirements
Project Background

• Cooperative agreement between NACCHO and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

• Project aims to help LHDs and their communities support high-risk families affected by substance use and overdose through sustaining and expanding existing evidence-based adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) prevention programming. Sites will receive training and individualized technical assistance to help them integrate the Healthy Outcomes from Positive Experiences (HOPE) framework into their program’s policies and practices.

• Up to seven (7) awards available.

• Up to $115,000 to support project activities.

• **Fixed price, deliverables-based contract.**

• The project period shall upon both parties’ full execution of the contract and will end July 31, 2024.

• **Applications are due by 5:00 pm E.T. on Friday, December 1st, 2023, and must be submitted using NACCHO’s online portal.**
Healthy Outcomes from Positive Experiences (HOPE) Framework

- Tufts HOPE Resource Center
- Positive Childhood Experiences (PCE) Study (Bethell et al., 2019)
- Focuses on the kinds of experiences that counteract effects of adverse experiences and promote healthy development
- Child-focused
Eligibility: Open to all local health departments, state health departments, and community-based organizations that are currently implementing one of the following evidence-based programs:

- Green Dot
- Coaching Boys into Men
- Nurse Family Partnership Program
- Child Parent Centers
- Dating Matters
- Safe Dates
- Fourth R
- The Incredible Years
- Strengthening Families 10-14
- Big Brothers, Big Sisters
- After School Matters
- Powerful Voices
- Safe Environment for Every Kid (SEEK)
- Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (TF-CBT)
- Multisystemic Therapy (MST)
Contract Terms

• Selected applicants will be required to identify and designate an agency to enter a contract with NACCHO, to serve as a fiscal agent for the project and to submit the deliverables specified in the contract.

• Agreement with NACCHO’s standard contract terms and conditions is a requirement.
Project Expectations and Requirements

- Participate in a **Kick-off Call**
- Complete the **HOPE and Substance Use Prevention, Intervention, and Treatment** asynchronous, online course.
- Complete a **Needs Assessment** to identify specific areas of the existing program that can be adapted to align with the HOPE framework
- Participate in **individualized TA calls**
  - Up to four (4) calls throughout the project period
  - To support the development of an action plan toward integrating the HOPE framework
Project Expectations and Requirements Cont’d

• Complete two (2) Mid-Project Reports
• Identify two (2) individuals to complete the training to become a HOPE Facilitator
• Complete an End-of-Project Report and an End-of-Project Evaluation
Resources

• Healthy Outcomes from Positive Experiences webpage: http://positiveexperience.org

• CDC’s *Adverse Childhood Experiences Prevention Resource for Action: A Compilation of the Best Available Evidence*
Application Components and Selection Criteria
Application Components

1. Project Narrative
   • Statement of Need (25%)
   • Current Work (30%)
   • Staffing Plan (15%)
   • Interest in Pursuing Funding (30%)

2. Budget and Budget Narrative

3. Attachments
Application Portal

- Application Link
- Create or use MyNACCHO.org account
- Add information and upload all documents directly on site
- Applicants will receive a confirmation of receipt
Q & A
Closing

• Request for Application is available at https://www.naccho.org/uploads/downloadable-resources/2023-RFP_SASPP-Final.pdf

• The recording from this call will be posted on OIVP website within one week

• You may e-mail additional questions to IVP@NACCHO.org
This webinar has now ended.
You may disconnect.

Thank you!