

Frequently Asked Questions: Implementing Overdose Prevention at the Local Level

This document includes all questions that NACCHO has received regarding the [RFA](#). Note that some of these questions were also addressed on the [informational webinar](#). Where responses differ between the webinar and this document, answers in this document should be considered final.

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Eligibility

Q: Does this award specifically have to go to a health department, or can it go to another municipal agency?

- A: Yes, the local health department would need to serve as the lead applicant and fiscal agent for this funding opportunity.

Q: Where is the list of eligible districts posted?

- A: The list is included in section III of the RFA. You may download the list directly using the following link: <https://www.naccho.org/uploads/downloadable-resources/Final-County-Eligibility-IOPSL-2021-2023.xlsx>

Q: What is the funding amount for this opportunity?

- A: Each LHD may request up to \$500,000 to support project activities.

Q: Does the criteria for population and overdose rate apply to the CCAPS funding opportunity as well?

- A: No.

Q: Are rural health departments not eligible due to low population?

- A: The criteria is not defined by the degree of urbanization. LHDs must serve a jurisdiction or population of 170,000 people or more to meet these criteria.

Q: If we are receiving overdose data to action, you're not eligible so that's correct

- A: If your jurisdiction received funds directly from CDC, then you are ineligible for this funding opportunity. LHDs that receive OD2A funds as secondary recipients are eligible and welcome to apply. Here is the list of OD2A funded recipients: <https://www.cdc.gov/drugoverdose/od2a/funded-states.html>

Q: May we have a multi-agency partnership to apply? For example, a local health department, a non-profit harm reduction program, and a law enforcement agency.

- A: Yes, a multi-agency partnership is allowable and encouraged. Note that the local health department must serve as the fiscal agent.

Q: Can so we can work with two other jurisdictions in my county?

- A: Yes, as long as they meet the eligibility criteria of population and overdose death rate or count.

Q: Do we individually need to serve 170,000 people in our district, or can we total 170,000 altogether?

- A: There must be 170,000 residents or more in 2019 within your city or county to satisfy the criteria.

Q: How are drug overdoses listed in wonder?

- A: We get the rate per 100,000 people have number of over this stuff and we get death counts as well, so understanding that that those can look different, which is why we've included both in our criteria for this.

Programmatic & Budget

Q: Can fentanyl test strips be purchased?

- A: Fentanyl test strips can be paid for with these funds. There is a list of unallowable activities and purchases coming up in this presentation and in the RFA.

Q: How would we go about seeking approval to buy a high-cost item like a mass spectrometer?

- A: High-cost equipment charges would need to be approved by NACCHO and CDC. If you include it in your budget and your application is selected, large equipment purchases just need some additional approval through NACCHO's finance department.

Q: Can this funding pay for a mass spectrometer?

- A: Yes.

Q: Can this directly pay salaries for peer navigators and licensed clinicians?

- A: Yes, however, note that these funds cannot pay for direct medical care so the role of the peer navigators and clinicians would need to be clearly defined and fit under one or more of the strategies.

Q: Can syringes be purchased with this funding?

- A: This funding cannot be used to pay for syringes.

Q: Can you clarify on what is allowable in harm reduction activities? for example, i know that purchasing Narcan under OD2A is not allowed. would that be allowed here?

- A: Narcan cannot be purchased with these funds either.

Q: What about people at risk of OD? Not necessarily the same as at risk for SUD?

- A: Throughout the RFA we have included substance use, substance use disorder and overdose risk as appropriate foci for your work.

General Question

Q: Can you provide the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number associated with the

- A: The CFDA number is 93.421.

Q: Who should the letter of support be addressed to?

- A: They may be addressed to NACCHO's Injury and Violence Prevention Team. There is no need to direct it towards anyone in particular.

Q: What is the page limit for the project narrative portion (and logic model) of this application?

- A: You'll find word count limits for each section of the narrative in the [online submission form](#); I've listed below a breakdown of those limits. The logic model does not have a word count.

Please refer to the [Logic Model Quick Guide](#) for additional guidance and information.

- Statement of need: 700 words
- Strategy and approach: 1200 words total
- Collaboration and partnerships: 700 words
- LHD capacity: 800 words total