

Overview of Funding Restrictions:

Block Grant, State Opioid Response Grant, and Opioid Settlement Trust Fund

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WHAT IS A BLOCK GRANT?

SAMHSA is responsible for two Block Grants

- Substance Use Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery Services (SUPTRS)
- Community Mental Health Services (CMHS)

Mandated by the U.S. Congress

Noncompetitive – All 50 states, the District of Columbia, and 8 U.S. Territories

Formulaic – Based on specific economic and demographic factors

SAMHSA Substance Use and Mental Health Block Grants



SUBSTANCE USE PREVENTION, TREATMENT, AND RECOVERY SERVICES (SUPTRS) BLOCK GRANT

Populations of Service

- Uninsured or Under-insured
- Individuals with a Substance Use Disorder
- Individuals at risk of Substance Use

Set-Asides

- 20% Primary Prevention
- 5% Early
 Intervention
 Services for HIV

Other Requirements

- \$9.3 million for Services to Pregnant and Parenting Women
- Maintenance of Effort (average of previous two reporting years)



COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES (CMHS) BLOCK GRANT

Populations of Service

- Uninsured or Under-insured
- Adults with Serious Mental Illness
- Children with Serious Emotional Disturbance
- Individuals in Crisis

Set-Asides

- 10% Coordinated Specialty Care for First Episode Psychosis
- 5% Core Crisis Services

Other Requirements

- \$39.7 million for Children with Serious Emotional Disturbance
- Maintenance of Effort (average of previous two reporting years)



FUNDING RESTRICTIONS

Block Grant funds cannot be used to:

1 Fund inpatient hospital services

2 Supplant or replace non-federal funding

Purchase or improve land, buildings, or major medical equipment

4 Purchase promotional items

Make cash payments to intended recipients of services

Pay an executive salary more than \$212,100



FUNDING RESTRICTIONS

CMHS

Cannot fund suicide prevention or mental health first aid.

Cannot be used behind bars unless services are provided by programs that also treat the nonincarcerated community at-large and provide continuity of care through discharge planning and case management.

SUPTRS

Primary Prevention cannot be used to fund individuals with substance use disorders; enforcement of alcohol, tobacco, or drug laws; or SBIRT programs.

Cannot fund any services within a penal or correctional institution.

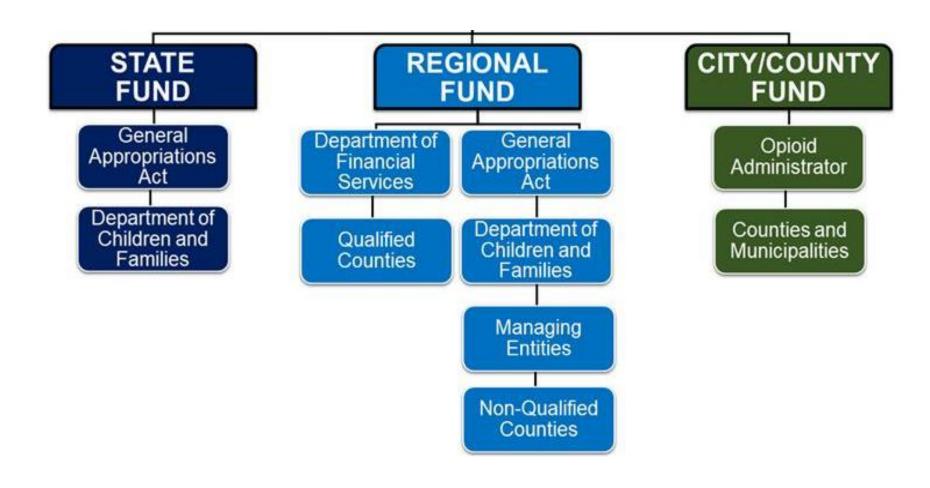


OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUNDING

- The purpose of the Opioid Settlement Trust Fund is to abate the opioid epidemic in accordance with settlement agreements reached by the state in opioid-related litigation or bankruptcy proceedings, namely the Florida Opioid Allocation and Statewide Response Agreement Between the State of Florida (Department of Legal Affairs) and certain Local Governments.
- Broadly speaking, the approved purposes include, but are not limited to, funding for opioidrelated prevention, treatment, and recovery support services.
- Permissible uses are outlined in the Core Strategies (Schedule A) and Approved Uses (Schedule B).



OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUNDING CATEGORIES





OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUNDING RESTRICTIONS

- Municipalities and counties may take no more than a 5 percent administrative fee from any funds they receive or control from the City/County Fund.
- Qualified counties may take no more than a 5 percent administrative fee from their share of the Regional Fund for Qualified Counties.
- The State may take no more than a 5 percent administrative fee from the State Fund.
 - Managing Entities may not take any administrative fees from the Regional Fund for Nonqualified Counties.
- Local matching funds (meaning funds received from governing bodies of local governments including city commissions and county commissions) are not required from any entity as a condition of receiving opioid settlement funds.



- Caps related to administrative costs and data collection/performance assessment were eliminated under the FY 2024 SOR Grants.
- Individuals who have "no history of" or "no current issues with" opioids or stimulants misuse shall not receive treatment or recovery services with SOR grant funds.
- SAMHSA requires that medications for the treatment of opioid use disorder including methadone and buprenorphine products – are made available to those diagnosed with opioid use disorder.
- Funds may not be expended by any agency which would deny any eligible individual access to their program because of their use of FDA-approved medications for the treatment of substance use disorders (e.g., methadone and buprenorphine products).

- Funds may not be used to make direct payments to individuals to enter treatment or continue to participate in prevention or treatment service.
- The direct salary for individuals under all federal grant awards may not to exceed Executive Level II salary level limitation, which is \$221,900 (effective January 1, 2024).
- Grant funds may not be used to supplant or replace any funding used for the same purpose.



Grant funds may not be used to purchase or procure the following:

- Pipes or cylindrical objects intended to be used to smoke or inhale illegal scheduled substances.
- Sterile needles or syringes for the injection of any illegal drug.
- Promotional items including, but not limited to, clothing and commemorative items, such as pens, mugs/cups, folders, lanyards, and conference bags.
- Construction of any building or structure to house any part of the program (with exceptions for minor alterations and renovations).
- Inpatient treatment or hospital-based detoxification services (residential services are not considered to be inpatient or hospital-based services).

Grant funds may not be used to purchase or procure the following:

- Housing (other than recovery housing).
- Firearms.
- Incentives to any Health Care Professionals for receipt of any type of Professional Development Training.
- Grant funds may not be used, directly or indirectly, to purchase, prescribe, or provide
 marijuana or treatment using marijuana. Grant funds also cannot be provided to any
 individual who or organization that provides or permits marijuana use for the purposes of
 treating substance use or mental disorders.