



Behavioral Health Division Updates and Information

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Health & Human Services

Overview

- Update on plans received by Behavioral Health Division (BHD) for the 15% subdivision allocation
- State Opioid Response (SOR) grant
- Priority recommendations from BHD





Plans received by BHD for the 15% subdivision allocation



Subdivision Allocation Plans

N.D.C.C 50-36-06 states “A political subdivision that recovers moneys as a result of opioid litigation may deposit the moneys in the fund or may retain the moneys and transfer the moneys to the public health unit that provides services to that political subdivision” and that “All political subdivisions shall provide an allocation plan to the behavioral health division prior to expenditure.”

- Since the last committee meeting, there have been 0 plans submitted
- Email communication was provided to all Local Public Health Units (LPHUs) about the submission of allocation plans
- BHD will update the committee regularly

hhs.nd.gov/opioids/settlement

Opioid Settlement Advisory Committee

The State of North Dakota, through its Attorney General, has reached court-approved settlement with opioid manufacturers and distributors.

A requirement to receiving and spending settlement funds is the creation of an advisory committee. The Opioid Settlement Advisory Committee has been established through an executive order issued by Gov. Doug Burgum and through North Dakota Century Code 50-36-06.

The Opioid Settlement Advisory Committee will provide input and recommendations to the North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services Behavioral Health Division regarding the spending of funds received by the settlement. The usage of settlement funds must be used for opioid remediation and align with approved usages as identified in the settlement document [Exhibit E](#).

Committee Meetings:

10/17/2023	+
9/26/2023 Listening Session in Dickinson	+
8/28/2023	+
8/22/2023 Listening Session in Bismarck	+
7/26/2023 Meeting	+
6/29/2023 Listening Session in Fargo	+
2/9/2023 Meeting	+

Political Subdivision Allocation Plans:

As required by North Dakota Century Code 50-36-06, a political subdivision that recovers and retains moneys as a result of opioid litigation shall collaborate with a public health unit on the use of the moneys for local programs for remediating and abating the opioid crisis. All political subdivisions shall provide an allocation plan to the behavioral health division prior to expenditure.

[Submit Your Plan Here](#)



State Opioid Response (SOR) Grant



State Opioid Response (SOR) Grant GOALS & OVERVIEW



Prevent substance (mis)use (specifically focused on opioids and stimulants)



Reduce harm related to opioids and stimulants



Improve access to evidence-based treatment



Increase access to recovery support services

Grant timeframe: September 30, 2023 – September 29, 2024

Funding: \$4,000,000

State Opioid Response (SOR) Grant FUNDING ALLOCATION

State Opioid Response (SOR) Grant			
Effort	Request/Need	Allocated/Awarded	Gap
Community Implementation Grant (27 out of 28 Local Public Health Units)	\$2,060,596	\$2,060,596	\$0
Tribal Implementation Grant (3 Tribal Health Units)	\$610,833	\$300,000	\$310,833
DOCR medications for opioid use disorder	\$488,160	\$488,160	\$0
NDSU ONE Program	\$650,000	\$650,000	\$0
Lighthouse Central Registry	\$9,120	\$9,120	\$0
Narcan (estimated need of 21,183 kits at \$41.00/kit)	\$868,503	\$232,123 (this will fund about 5,600 kits)	\$636,380
Deterra bags/Dispose RX	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$0
Administrative Cost (salary, printing, travel)	\$90,000	\$90,000	\$0
Data and Evaluation (requirement of the grant)	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$0
Total	\$4,972,212	\$4,000,000	\$972,212



Recommendations from BHD



BHD Priority Recommendations

Prevention – *coalitions and community work*

Opioid overdose reversal medication

Syringe Service Programs

Increase access to treatment – *medication for opioid use disorder (MOUD) at Community Behavioral Health Clinics (HSCs) and local jails*

Increase access to recovery housing that allows MOUD – *Recovery Housing Assistance Program (RHAP)*

Tribal implementation – *\$310,833 funding need*

Behavioral Health Workforce



Grant Process Proposal



Grant Process - Regulation

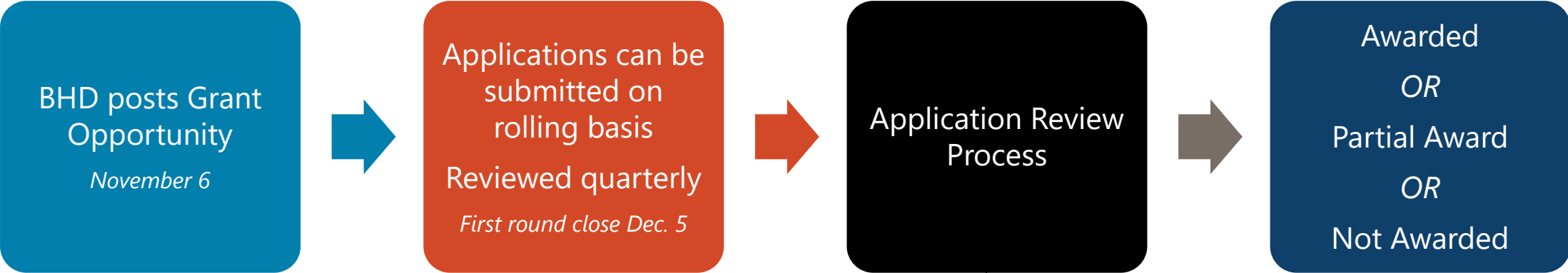
Opioid Settlement Advisory Committee

- NDCC 50-36-03 (2) states "the committee shall forward recommendations to the department on spending decisions of the legislatively appropriated funds for remediation or abatement of the opioid crisis in this state"

Procurement Laws

- NDCC 54-44.4 State Purchasing Practices
- NDAC 4-12-01-04 (1)(h) states "These rules apply to all procurements of commodities and services, regardless of the funding source, by each state agency and institution in the executive branch of government, except this chapter does not apply to Grant programs, not including procurements using grant dollars"

Grant Process



Yes or No	Points: 60	Points: 40
Exhibit E	Committee priorities	Process & outcome measures
Duplication of current efforts	Dollar amount	Impact
Best Practice	Prevention activities	Sustainability

- BHD Review Team:
- Licensed Addiction Counselor
 - Registered Nurse
 - Prevention Specialist

Grant Process – Contract Requirements

- Vendor shall provide services in a manner that is recovery-oriented, trauma-informed, and person-centered
- Contracts may be terminated through mutual consent or upon 30-days written notice with or without cause
- Vendor shall utilize settlement funds as a payor of last resort
- Vendor shall ensure no duplication of funding
- Vendor shall comply with reporting deadlines
- Vendor shall ensure funds are used in a manner aligning with Exhibit E

Grant Process – Next Steps

