



Saving Lives, Improving Health: Redesigning Opioid Use Disorder Care

Grant Guidelines Review

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What is RIZE

RIZE Massachusetts is a state-wide, private sector initiative created to build a \$50 million fund focused on bringing real and lasting change to those struggling with substance use disorders in Massachusetts.

Grants supported by this fund are designed to target the epidemic of opioid overdose and addiction spanning prevention, to treatment, to long-term sustainable recovery, focusing on areas where more resources are immediately necessary.

Our vision is that this will lead to meaningful and positive results in addressing not just the immediate crisis of opioid overdose deaths, but will also improve alignment among the overall health care and insurance systems, and evidence-based addiction treatment practices.

Program Overview

\$2.3M over two years for new or existing collaborations

Goals:

- 1) Develop low threshold, community-based, on-demand treatment
- 2) Support long-term engagement in care

Goals and Objectives

- Develop a model for immediate access to effective treatment coupled with ongoing care
- Build bridges to minimize fragmentation and improve care
- Focus on under-resourced areas/populations
- Collect measurable outcomes

Examples of Potential Programs

- Low threshold treatment embedded in primary care
- Street-based outreach with linkage to treatment
- Correctional facility partnership with community-based treatment
- Hospital/ED treatment initiation with linkage to care

Eligibility

- Lead organization acts as medical home
- Must have the capacity to provide medication assisted treatment (MAT) and treat co-occurring medical and psychiatric disorders
- Involvement of community-based organizations strongly encouraged
- Must be a MA based non-profit organization

Examples of proposals that would not meet the goals of this program include:

- Service expansion that does not offer treatment on demand coupled with longitudinal care
- Proposals from organizations that do not promote evidence-based treatment, including the use of MAT
- Programs lacking the potential to demonstrate the effectiveness of collaborative strategies
- Focus groups, research, policy analysis or advocacy

Phased Approach

The grant will be implemented in two phases:

- Phase 1: Six-month design grants for up to six organizations at \$50,000 each for new or existing programs.
- Phase 2: Two-year implementation grants awarded to up to four of the grantees from Phase 1. Implementation budget is \$2,000,000 over two years.

Application Process

- Submit application, budget, and workplan with two letters of support by email to info@rizema.org by Friday, November 17 at 5:00 pm
- Examples of what the design funds can be used for:
 - the creation of business plans
 - staff payroll and expenses for the convening of a coalition for planning
 - hiring a consultant to support the further development of a promising model of care
- Applications received and vetted by RIZE, and reviewed by a committee of subject matter experts.
- Recommendations presented to the RIZE Board of Directors in early December.
- Awards announced on or around December 15, 2017 and funds released immediately thereafter

Application Process – con't.

- Evaluation, outcome measures, and learning communities determined with cohort
- Implementation grant guidelines and application released spring of 2018
- Implementation awards announced by June of 2018



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