

## RFA: Primary Prevention Infrastructure

### OVERVIEW

On October 15<sup>th</sup>, the Office of Addiction Services and Supports (OASAS) released a Request for Applications (RFA) for one-time funding to support primary prevention infrastructure development. This funding, made available from the federal American Rescue Plan Act and Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, includes four separate initiatives as part of a single application to support the delivery of primary prevention services. Providers may apply for any or all of the four initiatives.

The full RFA is available [here](#). Applications are due on November 12<sup>th</sup>.

### FUNDING

Initiative	Funding Available Per Provider
Evidence-Based Practice Training & Materials	Up to \$10,000
New Evidence-Based Practice Start-up Support	Up to \$25,000
Environmental Change Strategy Enhancement	Up to \$25,000
Technology Support	Up to \$10,000
<b>Total Maximum Per Provider</b>	<b>Up to \$70,000</b>

### ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

Eligible applicants are OASAS-funded providers who deliver direct primary prevention services.

### INITIATIVES

#### Evidence-Based Program Training & Materials

Funding may be used for training expenses and the purchase of manuals/materials required for implementation fidelity. Providers must select programs for purchasing/updating from the OASAS Registry of Evidence-Based Programs ([here](#)) or the Promising Programs & Practices list ([here](#)).

#### New Evidence-Based Program Start-up Support

Funding may be used to support the start-up costs associated with implementing the delivery of a new evidence-based program by the agency. The new program must be selected from the OASAS Registry of Evidence-Based Programs or the Promising Programs & Practices list (linked above). Start-up costs may include program marketing or other equipment needed to implement the evidence-based program. Funds may not be used to provide incentives for individuals to participate in the program.

## Environmental Change Strategy Enhancement

Funds may be used to enhance a current Environmental Change Strategy (ECS) implementation or to begin a new ECS. The provider must demonstrate that they are implementing all three components of the strategy (more detail [here](#)); however, the funding does not need to be used across all three components and may be used only for what is required.

Applicants should utilize the Strategic Prevention Framework to identify primary prevention service needs in the community. Applicants are encouraged to plan culturally responsive strategies in health disparate or underserved communities.

## Technology Support

Expenses for technology support include purchasing of computers and accessories, laptops, tablets, hotspots, software subscriptions (e.g., Zoom), or other technology equipment. Providers must provide a cost estimate for each item as part of the budget document.

## TIMELINE

Proposals must be submitted by November 12<sup>th</sup> and will be reviewed in the order they are received. Funding will be awarded based on applicant eligibility and full completion of the budget and budget narrative, rather than competitive scoring criteria. Awards are expected to be announced on December 1<sup>st</sup>.

Questions should be submitted to [COVIDFunds@oasas.ny.gov](mailto:COVIDFunds@oasas.ny.gov) with the subject line “Requests for Applications – OASAS Project No. SUPP1001” and a reference to each RFA section to which the question refers by October 22<sup>nd</sup>. Answers to questions will be posted on the OASAS procurement page ([here](#)) on October 27<sup>th</sup>.