

## RFA: Comprehensive Integrated Outpatient Treatment Programs

### OVERVIEW

On March 25<sup>th</sup>, the New York State Office of Addiction Services and Supports (OASAS) released a Request for Applications (RFA) for one-time funding to support the development of Comprehensive Integrated Outpatient Treatment Programs. These programs have co-located OASAS Part 822 outpatient services and Opioid Treatment Program (OTP) services that function under one operating certificate. Services, service delivery, programmatic space, and staffing will be integrated; however, billing and reporting will remain separate.

OASAS will provide up to \$3.5 million in total funding to help fifteen providers:

- Integrate outpatient and OTP programs;
- Develop new OTPs in order to integrate with outpatient services; or
- Expand access in OTPs to provide services to non-Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) populations by adding outpatient services.

This funding is made available through supplemental funding allocated by the federal Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act to the Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant program.

The RFA is available [here](#). Applications are due on April 21<sup>st</sup>.

### FUNDING

Funding will be allocated as follows:

Number of Awards	One-Time Award Amount	Eligible Programs	Allowable Use of Funds
5	\$250,000	Existing co-located outpatient programs and OTPs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One calendar quarter payroll and fringe benefits for either an additional nurse practitioner or physician’s assistant, and/or a nurse, clinician or peers;</li> <li>• Cosmetic renovations (up to \$75,000);</li> <li>• Staff training;</li> <li>• Electronic health record (EHR) updates, equipment (including telehealth), or furniture;</li> <li>• Agency administration; and</li> <li>• Patient educational materials.</li> </ul>
5	\$250,000	Existing outpatient programs that intend to apply for OTP services.*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One calendar quarter payroll and fringe benefits for either an additional nurse practitioner or physician’s assistant, and/or a nurse, clinician or peers;</li> <li>• Cosmetic renovations (up to \$75,000);</li> <li>• EHR updates, equipment, furniture;</li> </ul>

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Initial stock of medication for opioid use disorder;</li> <li>• Certification fees;</li> <li>• Staff training;</li> <li>• Agency administration; and</li> <li>• Patient educational materials.</li> </ul>
5	\$200,000	Existing OTPs that intend to apply for outpatient program services.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Technical assistance, consultation, and training;</li> <li>• One calendar quarter payroll and fringe benefits for either an additional nurse practitioner or physician’s assistant, and/or a nurse, clinician or peers;</li> <li>• Staff training;</li> <li>• EHR updates;</li> <li>• Cosmetic renovations (up to \$75,000);</li> <li>• Agency administration; and</li> <li>• Furniture, equipment, supplies, and electronics.</li> </ul>

\*Preference for new OTPs will be given to the following regions/counties with limited OTP availability and gaps in services:

- Long Island;
- Southern Tier;
- North Country;
- Western New York;
- Capital;
- Mohawk Valley;
- Mid-Hudson;
- Queens County;
- Richmond County; and
- Kings County.

Providers that operate multiple program reporting units (PRUs) may apply for multiple awards; however, a separate application is required for each location.

Funding may not be used to:

- Purchase, construct, permanently improve, or change the structure of the building; or
- Integrate with additional locations, medication units, and mobile medication units.

## ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

Eligible applicants include voluntary agencies or other not-for-profit organizations that currently operate OASAS-certified:

- Co-located OTPs and outpatient services;
- Outpatient services; or
- OTPs.

Outpatient rehabilitation programs, Part 822 programs that have integrated licenses overseen by another state agency, and Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics (CCBHCs) are not eligible.

Providers must obtain full approval from OASAS, the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, and the federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration to apply for and operate an OTP. Awarded providers must complete the Comprehensive Integration application and receive State Opioid Treatment Authority approval for integrated services.

## **REQUIRED SERVICES**

OTPs that intend to add and integrate outpatient services must provide treatment services to non-MAT patients.

Programs adding OTP services must provide the following, in addition to any outpatient services already being offered by the program:

- Medication administration and observation (including all MAT options);
- Toxicology tests;
- Admission assessments and medication induction;
- Other medical services, including physical examinations;
- Peer support services; and
- Any other services that are deemed to be beneficial to the provision of person-centered care.

## **TIMELINE**

Proposals must be submitted by April 21<sup>st</sup>. Awards are expected to be announced on May 20<sup>th</sup>.