

## RFA: Geriatric Technical Assistance Center

### OVERVIEW

On June 23<sup>rd</sup>, the New York State Office of Mental Health (OMH) released a Request for Proposals (RFP) seeking one contractor to operate a Geriatric Technical Assistance Center (GTAC). The GTAC will provide training and technical assistance to support and improve the service delivery of geriatric service demonstration programs that help older adults successfully age in place in the communities of their choice.

Current geriatric service demonstration projects focus on providing outreach, engagement, and off-site services to individuals in underserved communities that have been severely impacted by the Covid-19 pandemic. In addition to supporting grantees, the GTAC will support community behavioral health providers serving older adults statewide by providing periodic technical assistance sessions and assisting with the development and dissemination of best practice guidelines and resources.

Through this opportunity, OMH will award up to \$200,000 in annual funding to one eligible applicant for up to four years.

The RFP is available [here](#). Applications are due on August 24<sup>th</sup> and applicants are required to submit a non-binding Letter of Intent by August 16<sup>th</sup>.

### ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

Eligible applicants are not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organizations with experience providing technical assistance, training, and support to providers that serve older adults with aging service needs, serious mental illness, and/or addiction service needs.

### APPLICATION

Proposals will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- Qualifications (20 points)
- Content Areas (30 points)
- Technical Assistance (20 points)
- Diversity and Inclusion (10 points)
- Cost Evaluation (20 points)

Proposals must receive a minimum score of 70 to be considered for funding. In the event of a tie, the proposal with the highest score on “Content Areas” will be prioritized for funding.

### TIMELINE

Proposals must be submitted by August 24<sup>th</sup>. Applicants are required to submit a non-binding Letters of Intent to [Carol.Swidorski@omh.ny.gov](mailto:Carol.Swidorski@omh.ny.gov) with the subject line “Geriatric Technical Assistance Center RFP” by August 16<sup>th</sup>. Awards are expected to be announced on September 20<sup>th</sup>.

Questions may be submitted to the email address above through July 19<sup>th</sup>. Answers to questions will be posted on the OMH website on August 9<sup>th</sup>.