

**RFF # 2020-04**  
**REQUEST FOR FUNDING ANNOUNCEMENT**  
**FOR**  
*Disbursement of State Opioid Response Grant Funding*

This is a Request for Funding announcement (RFF) issued by the Family and Social Services Administration/*Division of Mental Health and Addiction, Addiction and Forensic Treatment*

This RFF is intended to publicize the availability of Grant opportunities for services described herein. Neither the issuance of this RFF nor the receipt of any responses thereto, shall create any obligation to the State of Indiana to make any award pursuant hereto. The award of any grant(s) as a result of this RFF shall be at the sole discretion of FSSA. Neither this RFF nor any response (“proposal”) submitted hereto are to be construed as a legal offer.

**CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION**

Potential respondents are advised that materials contained in proposals are subject to the Indiana Public Records Act, IC 5-14-3 *et seq.*, and after the grant award may be viewed and/or copied by any member of the public, including news agencies and competitors. Potential respondents claiming a statutory exception to the Indiana Public Records Act must place all confidential documents in a sealed envelope clearly marked “Confidential” and must indicate on the outside of their proposal envelope that confidential materials are included and, in their cover letter, specify which statutory exception provision applies. The State reserves the right to make determinations of confidentiality. If the State does not agree that the information designated is confidential under one of the disclosure exceptions to the Public Records Act, it may either reject the proposal or discuss its interpretation of the allowable exceptions with the respondent. If agreement can be reached, the proposal will be considered. If agreement cannot be reached, the State will remove the proposal from consideration for award and return the proposal to the respondent upon request. The State will not determine price to be confidential information.

**COMPENSATION**

FSSA/*Division of Mental Health and Addiction* encourages respondents, in their responses to the RFF, to be as creative as possible regarding cost to the State, as cost efficiency for the State will be a consideration in determining whether a grant(s) will be awarded based on responses to the RFF.

**TERMS**

This agreement shall be for a period of six months commencing on *May 1, 2020* (or from date of final State approval of grant), and terminating on *September 29, 2020*, and may be renewed through reapplication and new proposal, based upon available funding.

## PROPOSALS

Respondents interested in providing these services to FSSA/*DMHA* should submit proposals in the following manner: **one original and five copies and one in electronic format to:**

*Mark Loggins*

**Family and Social Services Administration**  
*Division of Mental Health and Addiction*

**Email Address:** *mark.loggins@fssa.in.gov*

The print copies must be assembled in the following manner:

1. A letter of application signed by the Director or agency board president identifying the amount of funds requested.
2. Proposal
3. Budget
4. Job description for each grant position funded.
5. Organizational chart for overall agency with grant funded positions shown with dotted lines. (Please indicate percentage of position to be funded by grant)
6. Most recent audit report made in accordance with OMB circular A-133 if applicable.

Proposals, electronic and hardcopies, must be received no later than **4:30 p.m. Eastern Time on *March 23, 2020*** **Proposals received after 4:30 p.m. will not be considered.** Proposals must be delivered in electronic format with all appropriate forms and in the subject heading of the electronic mail should state:

### **RESPONSE TO RFF #2020-04**

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No more than one proposal per respondent should be submitted. In the cover letter please indicate the principal contact for the proposal along with a telephone and fax number. **All proposals must have an electronic mailing address included.**

Any questions regarding this RFF must be submitted via email to Mark Loggins ([mark.loggins@fssa.in.gov](mailto:mark.loggins@fssa.in.gov)) no later than **4:30 p.m. Eastern Standard Time on *March 1, 2020***. **Questions received after 4:30 p.m. may not be considered. Please keep questions brief and of high priority.** Responses to all questions will be promptly prepared and emailed to group.

**All inquiries are to be directed to *Mark Loggins* and are not to be directed to any other staff member of FSSA. Such action may disqualify respondent from further consideration for a grant as a result of this RFF.**

## SCOPE OF WORK

This disbursement will pay for up to two (2) addiction providers in Indiana to participate in a pilot for reSET-O. The pilot must include a minimum of 100 patients in no less than 10 counties in Indiana. A peer recovery coach must be available for an average of 30 minutes per week to the pilot participant throughout the program to provide recovery support. Participants in this pilot will continue to receive the full spectrum of medication assisted treatments, with the PDT being added to the treatment plan.

reSET-O is an 84-day Prescription Digital Therapeutic (PDT) for Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) intended to increase retention of patients in outpatient treatment by providing cognitive behavioral therapy (CBT), as an adjunct to outpatient treatment that includes transmucosal buprenorphine and contingency management, for patients 18 years or older who are currently under the supervision of a clinician. An associated dashboard for clinicians and other health care providers can be used as part of treatment. The dashboard displays information about patients' use of reSET-O, including lessons completed, patient-reported substance use, patient-reported cravings and triggers, patient-reported medication use, compliance rewards, and in-clinic data inputs such as urine drug screen results.

<https://peartherapeutics.com/products/reset-reset-o/>

This RFF will be funded with the State Opioid Response grant. All participants must have a diagnosed opioid use disorder. The selected provider must complete a Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) intake, 6-month follow-up, and discharge for each participant.

Allowable costs will include the PDT cost for pilot program all participants, peer recovery coach salary for services unable to be billed via Medicaid or 3<sup>rd</sup> party payer, and infrastructure costs in administering pilot program.

### TIME FRAME:

<i>February 24, 2020</i>	RFF sent to potential applicants
<i>March 1, 2020</i>	RFF questions due.
<i>March 6, 2020</i>	RFF answers sent
<i>March 23, 2020</i>	RFF proposals due back
<i>March 27, 2020</i>	Notify Grantees of Awarded Funds
<i>May 1, 2020</i>	Grant effective date

### Funding:

The maximum award for this funding opportunity *is \$300,000 for a period of 5 months*. However, should more funding become available, DMHA reserves the right to add the total amount (\$300,000) amongst the number of respondents based on needs. **Grant awards for this program are subject to budgetary exigencies associated with the availability of Federal and State funding. Funding and awards associated with this RFF are contingent upon the availability of Federal SOR funds made available to Indiana.**

### Eligible Respondents:

The potential respondents for the RFF are DMHA certified addiction treatment providers with adequate clinical staff, peer recovery coaches, and a DATA waived prescriber. The provider must offer

outpatient services and allow patients to be on all types of medication assisted treatment. Awardees will work with Pear Therapeutics to deliver and evaluate the pilot program.

## **SELECTION PROCESS AND CRITERIA**

Proposals will be reviewed and scored by a committee selected by the *Division of Mental Health and Addiction* or designee. Proposals will be evaluated based upon the proven ability of the respondent to meet the goals of the Program in a cost-effective manner. Proposal narratives should not exceed **5** pages in length (does not apply to additional document requests). Specific criteria are:

### Evaluation Criteria

Each proposal will be evaluated on eight criteria.

1. Extent of the need for the project. (10 points)

The following standards will be considered when evaluating this criterion.

- a. The needs addressed by the project
- b. How the applicant identified those needs, including number of eligible patients in applicant's practice.
- c. How those needs will be met by the project
- d. The benefits to be gained by meeting those needs
- e. Serving previously unserved or marginally served counties in the state

2. Plan of Operation (50 points)

The following standards will be considered when evaluating this criterion.

- a. The scope of persons reached by proposed program
- b. A timeline for implementation and completion
- c. The quality of applicant's plan for incorporating peer recovery coaches into pilot program
- d. The quality of services offered to patients participating in the pilot program
- e. The extent to which the plan of management ensures proper and efficient administration of the project
- f. A summary of goals and expectations for the implemented program
- g. The quality and adequacy of the applicant's plan to use its resources and personnel to achieve each objective.

3. Applicant Experience and Quality of Key Personnel (20 points)

The following standards will be considered when evaluating this criterion.

- a. Experience in delivering evidence based treatment to persons with opioid use disorder
- b. Qualifications of the project director
- c. Qualifications of each of the management and decision-making personnel to be used on the project.
- d. The amount of or percentage of time key personnel will commit to the project
- e. Experience and training in fields related to the scope of the project.

4. Budget and cost effectiveness. (20 points)

The following standards will be considered when evaluating this criterion.

- a. The budget is adequate to support the project
- b. Costs are reasonable in relation to the objectives of the project

Proposals will be evaluated based upon the proven ability of the respondent to satisfy the requirements of the proposal in a cost-effective manner.

**ATTACHMENT C  
Budget Summary**

Respondent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Twelve Month Figures (100%)**

	AMOUNT REQUESTED
<b>Personnel</b>	
1) Staff Salaries	
2) Staff Fringes	
<b>Non-Personnel</b>	
3) Staff Travel	
4) Staff Training	
5) Equipment	
6) Participant Travel	
7) Other	
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Total Project Costs (100%) (1+2+3+4+5+6+7)	

State will provide reimbursement for 100% of cost.