

A. Address To Request Application Package

You may request a complete application kit by calling one of SAMHSA's national clearinghouses:

- For substance abuse prevention or treatment grants, call the National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information (NCADI) at 1-800-729-6686.

- For mental health grants, call the National Mental Health Information Center at 1-800-789-CMHS (2647).

You also may download the required documents from the SAMHSA Web site at www.samhsa.gov. Click on "grant opportunities."

Additional materials available on this Web site include:

- A technical assistance manual for potential applicants;
- Standard terms and conditions for SAMHSA grants;
- Guidelines and policies that relate to SAMHSA grants (e.g., guidelines on cultural competence, consumer and family participation, and evaluation); and
- Enhanced instructions for completing the PHS 5161-1 application.

B. Content and Form of Application Submission

1. Required Documents

SAMHSA application kits include the following documents:

- PHS 5161-1 (revised July 2000)—Includes the face page, budget forms, assurances, certification, and checklist. You must use the PHS 5161-1 unless otherwise specified in the NOFA. Applications that are not submitted on the required application form will be screened out and will not be reviewed.

- Program Announcement (PA)—Includes instructions for the grant application. This document is the PA.

- Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA)—Provides specific information about availability of funds, as well as any exceptions or limitations to provisions in the PA. The NOFAs will be published in the Federal Register, as well as on the Federal grants Web site (www.grants.gov).

You must use all of the above documents in completing your application.

2. Required Application Components

To ensure equitable treatment of all applications, SAMHSA will accept only complete applications for review. In order for your application to be complete, it must include the required ten application components (Face Page, Abstract, Table of Contents, Budget Form, Project Narrative and Supporting

Documentation, Appendices, Assurances, Certifications, Disclosure of Lobbying Activities, and Checklist). Applications that do not contain the required components will be screened out and will not be reviewed.

- *Face Page*—Use Standard Form (SF) 424, which is part of the PHS 5161-1. [Note: Beginning October 1, 2003, applicants will need to provide a Dun and Bradstreet (DUNS) number to apply for a grant or cooperative agreement from the Federal Government. SAMHSA applicants will be required to provide their DUNS number on the face page of the application. Obtaining a DUNS number is easy and there is no charge. To obtain a DUNS number, access the Dun and Bradstreet Web site at www.dunandbradstreet.com or call 1-866-705-5711. To expedite the process, let Dun and Bradstreet know that you are a public/private nonprofit organization getting ready to submit a Federal grant application.]

- *Abstract*—Your total abstract should not be longer than 35 lines. In the first five lines or less of your abstract, write a summary of your project that can be used, if your project is funded, in publications, reporting to Congress, or press releases.

- *Table of Contents*—Include page numbers for each of the major sections of your application and for each appendix.

- *Budget Form*—Use SF 424A, which is part of the 5161-1. Fill out Sections B, C, and E of the SF 424A.

- *Project Narrative and Supporting Documentation*—The Project Narrative describes your project. It consists of Sections A through D. These sections in total may not be longer than 25 pages. More detailed instructions for completing each section of the Project Narrative are provided in "Section V—Application Review Information" of this document.

The Supporting Documentation provides additional information necessary for the review of your application. This supporting documentation should be provided immediately following your Project Narrative in Sections E through H. There are no page limits for these sections, except for Section G, Biographical Sketches/Job Descriptions.

- *Section E—Literature Citations*. This section must contain complete citations, including titles and all authors, for any literature you cite in your application.

- *Section F—Budget Justification, Existing Resources, Other Support*. You must provide a narrative justification of the items included in your proposed budget, as well as a description of

existing resources and other support you expect to receive for the proposed project. Be sure to show that no more than 20% of the total grant award will be used for data collection and evaluation. If you are proposing a services implementation pilot (allowed only for Category 2 applicants), show that no more than 15% of the total grant award will be used for the pilot.

- *Section G—Biographical Sketches and Job Descriptions*.

- Include a biographical sketch for the Project Director and other key positions. Each sketch should be 2 pages or less. If the person has not been hired, include a letter of commitment from the individual with a current biographical sketch.

- Include job descriptions for key personnel. Job descriptions should be no longer than 1 page each.

- Sample sketches and job descriptions are listed on page 22, Item 6 in the Program Narrative section of the PHS 5161-1.

- *Section H—Confidentiality and SAMHSA Participant Protection/Human Subjects*. Section VIII-A of this document describes requirements for the protection of the confidentiality, rights and safety of participants in SAMHSA-funded activities. This section also includes guidelines for completing this part of your application.

- *Appendices 1 through 5*—Use only the appendices listed below. Do not use more than 30 pages for Appendices 1, 3 and 4. There are no page limitations for Appendices 2 and 5. Do not use appendices to extend or replace any of the sections of the Project Narrative unless specifically required in the NOFA. Reviewers will not consider them if you do.

- *Appendix 1: Letters of Support*.

- *Appendix 2: Data Collection Instruments/Interview Protocols*.

- *Appendix 3: Sample Consent Forms*.

- *Appendix 4: Letter to the SSA* (if applicable; see Section VIII-C of this document).

- *Appendix 5: A copy of the State or County Strategic Plan, a State or county needs assessment, or a letter from the State or county indicating that the proposed project addresses a State-or county-identified priority*.

- *Assurances—Non-Construction Programs*. Use Standard Form 424B found in PHS 5161-1. Some applicants will be required to complete the Assurance of Compliance with SAMHSA Charitable Choice Statutes and Regulations Form SMA 170. If this assurance applies to a specific funding opportunity, it will be posted on SAMHSA's Web site with the NOFA