KDADS Grant Request for Application (RFA)

Kansas First Responder-Comprehensive Addiction & Recovery Support Services Act
Grant 2022

Short Title: FR-CARA

Behavioral Health Services Commission

Release Date: August 15, 2022

RFA Submission Deadline: September 15, 5 p.m. CST

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APPLICATION COVER SHEET

Legal Name of Organization:

Official Administrative Address:

City, State, Zip+4:

County:

Federal ID #:

Authorized Contract Signor & Title:

Project Contact Name & Title:

Email Address:

Telephone:

Please indicate below with an “X” in what region your agency is located; see service map on page 3:

___Region I Lead Agency (agency must be located in this region); grant amount $20,000.00 (annual)

___Region II Lead Agency (agency must be located in this region); grant amount $20,000.00 (annual)

___Region IV Lead Agency (agency must be located in this region); grant amount $20,000.00 (annual)

___Region VI Lead Agency (agency must be located in this region); grant amount $20,000.00 (annual)

Additional/Optional (if applying for one grant above, agency may also apply for the one below):

___Project Oversight Agency (monitor activities in all four regions; grant amount $55,000.00 (annual)
I. Overview

The State of Kansas, Department for Aging and Disability Services (KDADS) was awarded a Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) First Responder-Comprehensive Addiction & Recovery Act (FR-CARA) grant to provide resources to rural first responders and members of other key community sectors at the state, tribal, and other government levels for training, carrying, and administering the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FD&C Act) approved drugs and devices for emergency reversal of known or suspected opioid overdose. The term of the grant is 09/30/2022 – 09/29/2026. Please be advised that federal funding for this project has only been guaranteed through September 29, 2026.

First responder agencies are invited to submit a proposal to be a partner in this project to benefit frontier, rural, and densely-settled Kansas counties serving in one of four identified regions. First responders include firefighters, law enforcement officers, paramedics, emergency medical technicians, mobile crisis providers, or other legally organized and recognized volunteer organizations that respond to adverse opioid related incidents. Recipients will be expected to assist in establishing processes, protocols, and mechanisms for referral to appropriate treatment and recovery support services and promotion of safety around fentanyl, Carfentanil, and other dangerous licit and illicit drugs. The population of focus includes populations disproportionately impacted by opioid use as evidenced by high rates of opioid and other drug-related use, primary treatment admissions, and overdose rates. Applying organizations must also demonstrate that their population of focus is underserved by accessibility to treatment providers, emergency medical services, and recovery or other psychosocial support services.

The selected rural regions of the state for implementing this project include Region 1-Northwest, Region II-Southwest, Region IV-North Central, and Region VI-Southeast; these regions and their counties are depicted on the Board of Emergency Medical Services map below.

Region II counties (18): Greeley, Wichita, Scott, Lane, Hamilton, Kearney, Finney, Hodgeman, Gray, Ford, Stanton, Grant, Haskell, Meade, Clark, Morton, Stevens, and Seward.

Region IV counties (12): Smith, Jewell, Republic, Osborne, Mitchell, Cloud, Clay, Ottawa, Lincoln, Dickinson, Saline, and Ellsworth.


II. Purpose:

The purpose of the Kansas FR-CARA grant project is to address the increasing drug overdose death rate by implementing a program in four rural regions of the state that will provide resources to first responders and members of other key community sectors at the local level over the course of four years.

Annual Goals:

The first goal (program development) is to establish the program in each of the four designated regions of the state by selecting one Lead Agency to implement and oversee grant activities in their catchment area.

Additionally, one lead agency will be selected from among interested agencies to serve as Project Oversight Agency and oversee activities in all four rural regions while collaborating with KDADS’ Program Director, Program Evaluator, and the other three lead agencies as well as purchasing and/or inventorying materials to create the Rural Resource Toolkits for distribution throughout the four regions.

The second goal (overdose treatment) is to identify local agencies, organizations, and other key community sectors that will benefit from having access to additional overdose treatment services in each county of their designated region. Additional overdose treatment services must include increasing the number of physicians/other approved healthcare professionals who can provide Medication for Opioid Use Disorders (MOUD, formerly Medication-assisted Treatment [MAT]) or become DATA waivered to treat opioid use disorders. Other services may include distribution of other life-saving materials such as drug disposal boxes, naloxone boxes, and project FR-CARA Rural Resource toolkits.

The third goal (overdose training) is to conduct local professional/public training workshops to address personal safety around licit and illicit drugs as well as the use of naloxone in preventing death from overdose. The training must be conducted for first responders and the general public; the required unduplicated number depends on the size of the region. Regions I and II will conduct at least four trainings to reach 100 or more unduplicated individuals; regions IV and VI will conduct at least two trainings to reach a minimum of 80 unduplicated persons in year one. Requirements increase from year to year reaching a combined total of 855 by 09/29/2026. Naloxone and related instructional materials are available free of charge through KDADS’ State Opioid Response grant; information about access will be provided upon selection.
The fourth goal (warm handoffs) is to provide treatment referral information, instructional materials and naloxone to crisis team members, peer supports, family members, friends, and others assuring access to comprehensive care at the time of an overdose incident. Materials may be available free of charge from other Kansas prevention/treatment providers; anything that needs to be produced will come from the Project Oversight Agency.

The fifth and final goal (local jails) is to provide personal safety training to jailers that work around offenders with illicit drug charges as well as training in the use of naloxone and information for substance use disorder treatment referral for all inmates at discharge. Applicants will conduct workshops for employees of local/county jails within their designated region.

II. Eligibility:
A. KDADS invites Kansas first responder agencies or organizations to submit proposals in response to this RFA by September 15, 2022. Four First Responder Lead Agency grants are available and one First Responder Project Oversight Agency grant is available.
B. Selected applicants shall sign a Notice of Grant Award, an agreement that KDADS will provide. The proposal submitted to KDADS shall become part of the Notice of Grant Award.
C. Applicants are required to have a DUNS number at time of submission of funding proposal. This number is a unique nine-digit identification number provided by Dun & Bradstreet. It may be obtained at no cost at the following website: www.fedgov.dnb.com/webform or by calling 866-705-5711. Verification of the DUNS number must be submitted as part of the funding proposal.
D. This funding opportunity is the result of an award to KDADS by the U.S. Department of Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). Organizations sub-awarded funding via this RFA are expected to abide by the requirements SAMHSA has set forth in the original funding announcement, TI-22-008: First Responder-CARA, https://www.samhsa.gov/grants/grant-announcements/ti-22-008
E. Minimum Qualifications of Proposers. To qualify for a contract award, a proposer must have the following minimum qualifications:
- Have a Kansas Business License (issued by the Office of the Secretary of the State)
- Have experience with implementing services of similar complexity
- Have the capacity to submit required data to KDADS in a manner that is timely and accurate
- Have the capacity to implement and begin all services within one month of receiving notification of award and complete services for FR-CARA by September 29, 2026.

III. Terms of the Grant:
The project phase for these grants will be September 30, 2022 through September 29, 2026 (four years). The budget period will be 09.30.22 – 09.29.23 (annual); funds must be expended by September 29th of each budget period. An optional renewal is available for up to three additional years dependent upon continued funding by SAMHSA and approval by KDADS.
IV. Deliverables and Reporting:

Grant recipients will be required to submit a monthly report of project activity by the 20th of each month to the Project Oversight Agency who, in-turn, will provide documentation for all four regions combined to KDADS; likewise, data (# programs and # trainees) will be reported to the Project Oversight Agency who, in-turn, will provide the information to the Project Evaluator for uploading into the SAMHSA reporting system.

In addition, a financial report provided by KDADS shall be completed monthly, documenting all expenditures for the previous month, and submitted for reimbursement by the 20th of each month until all awarded funds are exhausted for the grant. The final financial report shall be expected by October 20th of each funded year.

All Project Lead Agencies and the Project Oversight Agency are strongly encouraged to send at least one representative to the one day, annual Kansas Opioid and Stimulant Conference conducted by DCCCA, Inc. (sponsored by KDADS) and held in November at Topeka, Kansas.

V. Overview of Grant Awards:

Proposals may be submitted as soon as possible or no later than the deadline of September 15, 2022 at 5 p.m.

VI. Notification of Grant Awards:

Awards will be announced by email on or before September 30, 2022.

VII. Application

A. Instructions:
   1. Submit one required electronic application and/or the additional/optional application to kdads.bhs@ks.gov.
      • Due Date: September 15, 2022
      • Time: 5:00 p.m. CST
   2. Complete the required cover sheet and submit with your Project Narrative.
   3. Applications must consist of a Project Narrative and a Proposed Budget including (be concise but complete):
      • the boundaries of the areas to be served and communities of focus
      • any demographic data to support your selection, cite your sources
      • commitment to methods addressed in the goals above
      • your agency’s experience in collaborating with other first responders in the designated region, if any, and with identified populations
      • a general timeline for completion of the project
      • a proposed budget which includes personnel & fringe benefits, travel, supplies, and/or other expenses
   4. Format the Project Narrative using one-inch margins at the top, bottom, and both sides; a font size of 12 points; and sequentially paginated pages.
C. Grants are intended to fund practices that have a demonstrated evidence-base and that are appropriate for the population(s) of focus. An evidence-based practice (EBP) refers to approaches to prevention, treatment, or recovery that are validated by some form of documented research evidence.

D. Funds may not be expended through the grant or a sub-award by any agency which would deny any eligible client, patient, or individual access to their program because of their use of FDA-approved medications for the treatment of substance use disorders.

E. Funds may not be used, directly or indirectly, to purchase, prescribe, or provide marijuana or treatment using marijuana. Treatment in this context includes the treatment of opioid use disorder. Funds also cannot be provided to any individual who or organization that provides or permits marijuana use for the purposes of treating substance use or mental disorders. See, e.g., 45 C.F.R. § 75.300(a) (requiring HHS to “ensure that Federal funding is expended . . . in full accordance with U.S. statutory . . . requirements.”); 21 U.S.C. §§ 812(c) (10) and 841 (prohibiting the possession, manufacture, sale, purchase or distribution of marijuana). This prohibition does not apply to those providing such treatment in the context of clinical research permitted by the DEA and under an FDA-approved investigational new drug application where the article being evaluated is marijuana or a constituent thereof that is otherwise a banned controlled substance under federal law.

F. The grantee agrees to abide by all state, federal and local laws, rules, and regulations prohibiting discrimination in employment and controlling workplace safety. Any violation of applicable laws, rules or regulations may result in termination of this grant.

G. Budget & Justification Information. Justification should be text supporting your budget line items. You may copy and paste any related Excel spreadsheet.

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Below is a timeline and due dates for this RFA. If KDADS finds a need to alter the timelines listed herein, either an addendum or correction notice will be issued announcing the alternate timeline.

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