

Behavioral Health Workforce Education and Training (BHWET) Program- Competitive Supplement

FY 2018 Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) Technical Assistance Webinar HRSA-18-112

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Agenda

- Mission & Purpose
- Funding & Eligibility
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- Application Submission
- Review and Selection Process

HRSA Mission

Improving health and health equity through access to quality services, a skilled health workforce and innovative programs.

Bureau of Health Workforce Mission



BHWET Competitive Supplement Purpose

- The Competitive Supplement will provide two-years of funding to current BHWET grantees to improve access to quality opioid use disorder (OUD) and other substance use disorder (SUD) treatment.
- The program will increase the number of providers trained to deliver behavioral health and primary care services in an integrated, interprofessional team in a HRSA-supported health center located in high-need and high demand areas.

BHWET Competitive Supplement Funding

**Project
Period**

Sept 1, 2018 to August 31, 2020

**Funding
Amount**

\$4 million per year

**Number
of
Awards**

Approximately 20



BHWET Competitive Supplement Eligibility

- Eligible applicants are limited to the current 136 BHWET grant recipients funded under HRSA-17-070.
- An eligible institution may only submit one application to supplement their current grant.



Consistent with HRSA-17-070

Except where noted, the terms and conditions, funding restrictions, and requirements of the BHWET base award apply to applications and awards made under this competitive supplement. The following are the same in HRSA-18-112 as HRSA-17-070:

- Reporting requirements
- Student commitment letter
- Student eligibility





What's New in the BHWET Supplement?

- Population focus on OUD and other SUD
- Field placements in high need and high demand areas
- Experiential sites must be at a HRSA supported Health Center
- MOU must be established with experiential site at the time of application submission
- Emphasis on participating in a learning collaborative and leveraging partnerships with technical assistance centers
- At least 50% of budget for stipends and trainee support activity
- \$200,000 funding ceiling with upfront funding for two years



BHWET Competitive Supplement Program Requirements

1. Train professional and paraprofessional students to deliver behavioral health services for patients with OUD and other SUD in collaboration with two or more health disciplines as a part of an integrated, interprofessional team in a health center located in high-need and high demand area.
2. Partnership with at least one health center to support experiential training to BHWET students.
3. Build or leverage partnerships with technical assistance providers with expertise in integrated, interprofessional behavioral health and primary care services, mental health, OUD and other SUD, MAT, and experiential training.



BHWET Competitive Supplement Program Requirements

4. Participate in train the trainer-model exercises to improve the teaching skills of field supervisors and faculty; develop, implement, and evaluate clinical training curricula; and sustain clinical training opportunities.
5. Participate in a learning collaborative with other BHWET supplement recipients throughout the project period, including progress updates and evaluations during and upon completion of the project period ending in August 31, 2020.



FY 2018 Enhancing Behavioral Health Workforce Supplemental Funding Opportunity

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Partnering Health Centers: Supplement Summary

- **Purpose:** Improve health center access to behavioral health services by enhancing:
 - Education infrastructure
 - Delivery of quality experiential training
 - Integrated behavioral health and primary care team performance
- **Performance period:** September 1, 2018 – August 31, 2020
- **Award amount:** \$200,000 per year
- **Enhancing Behavioral Health Workforce Technical Assistance Webpage:**
 - <https://bphc.hrsa.gov/programopportunities/fundingopportunities/behavioral-health-workforce>



Partnering Health Centers: Requirements

Requirement	Data Source
Provide mental health and SUD services either directly or through formal or written agreement for which the health center pays at the time of application and will throughout the two-year funding period.	Current Form 5A Columns I and/or II
Have physicians, certified nurse practitioners, and/or physician assistants, onsite or with whom the health center has contracts, who have obtained a DATA 2000 waiver to treat OUD with medications specifically approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for that indication.	Uniform Data System Report
Have patients who received MAT for OUD from a physician, certified nurse practitioner, or physician assistant with a DATA 2000 waiver working on behalf of the health center in 2017, and will in 2018 and 2019.	Uniform Data System Report
Will develop, host in academic years 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 , and evaluate at least annually experiential rotations for individuals preparing to become social workers, psychologists, counselors, addiction counselors, paraprofessionals, or community workers, and that will teach integrated behavioral health and primary care services, and OUD and other SUD treatment, including MAT . Please reference the HRSA -17-070 NOFO for a complete list of eligible disciplines.	MOU/A



Partnering Health Centers: **Example Activities**

- **Support the delivery of care to health center patients**
 - Integrate professionals and paraprofessionals into behavioral health-primary care teams
 - Advance the integration, SUD, OUD, and MAT skills of staff and providers
- **Enhance the health centers' education infrastructure**
 - Clinical educator training for providers and staff
 - Hiring or contracting with education specialists and coordinators to develop, organize, and evaluate experiential training curricula
- **Demonstrate integrated, interprofessional behavioral health and primary care service models**
 - Patient encounters
 - Health care team meetings
 - Professional consultations
- **Coordinate with BHWET partners**
 - Develop and conduct trainee and curricula evaluations
 - Provide trainee supervision
 - Develop didactic curricula



Partnering Health Centers: **Eligibility**

- Receive **Health Center Program** operational grant funding at the time of the HRSA-18-112 notice of funding opportunity release
- Meet all the **Partnering Health Center Requirements**
- Signed a **memorandum of understanding or agreement (MOU/A)** with a HRSA-18-112 award recipient
- Submit **required documentation** to support supplemental funding through HRSA Electronic Handbooks (EHB) as instructed by HRSA
 - Project Work Plan
 - Budget (2-year)
 - Budget Justification Narrative



Partnering Health Centers: MOU/A Requirements

- Include Health Center Program operational grant number (H80CSXXXXX)
- Demonstrate that each Partnering Health Center Requirement is met
- Signed by the health center Authorized Official
- Submit with the BHWET application



Partnering Health Centers: **Next Steps**

- Review Enhancing Behavioral Health Workforce Technical Assistance Webpage
 - <https://bphc.hrsa.gov/programopportunities/fundingopportunities/behavioral-health-workforce>
- Review the BHWET supplement notice of funding opportunity HRSA-18-112
- Ensure that you meet the Partnering Health Center Requirements
- Establish or enhance a partnership with a current BHWET award recipient
- Develop a MOU/A with your BHWET partner
- Address any conditions you may have on your Health Center Program operational grant award



Partnering Health Centers: **Technical Assistance**

- **Program Information**

- Bureau of Primary Health Care: bphcsupplement@hrsa.gov

- **Budget Information**

- Vera Windham, Senior Grants Management Specialist, Office of Federal Assistance Management: vwindham@hrsa.gov

- **EHB Assistance**

- Bureau of Primary Health Care (BPHC) Helpline
 - <http://www.hrsa.gov/about/contact/bphc.aspx>
 - 877-974-2742 (option 3)

- **Enhancing Behavioral Health Workforce Technical Assistance Webpage**

- <https://bphc.hrsa.gov/programopportunities/fundingopportunities/behavioral-health-workforce>



BHWET Competitive Supplement

Budget – Trainee Support

Stipend Support Activity for Professional Track

At least 50 percent of the award recipient's overall requested budget for supplemental funds (direct and indirect costs) per year must be used for stipends to trainees in field placement or internships.

Trainee Support Activity for Paraprofessional Certificate Track

At least 50 percent of the award recipient's overall requested budget for supplemental funds (direct and indirect costs) per year must be used for trainees' tuition, fees, and supplies. You may request a maximum of \$3,000 per trainee to cover support activities (tuition, fees and supplies) for the 12 month period for full-time trainees and for the 24 month period for part-time trainees. Stipends are not allowed for the Paraprofessional Certificate Track.



BHWET Competitive Supplement

Budget – **Administrative Support**

Administration and Management of the Program

Up to 50 percent of the supplemental award may be dedicated for the combination of activities to:

1. Engage in training through available technical assistance centers that use the “train the trainer” model focusing on training field supervisors in health centers and faculty from collaborating programs. The intent would be to create an infrastructure of skills, expertise, and support for a behavioral health team in the health center, including DATA waived MAT prescribers;
2. Develop or enhance didactic and experiential training activities in integrated, interprofessional team-based care focusing on treatment of patients with OUD and other SUD; and
3. Provide trainees/interns with participant support costs, including health insurance, travel, attendance at professional conferences, and preparation for licensing exams, licensees, and other support for reasonable allowable trainee-related costs.



BHWET Competitive Supplement Budget –**Trainee Support**

Professional Track

- \$10,000 per master's-level trainee (including Advanced Standing); and
- \$28,352 per doctoral-level psychiatry, psychology or school psychology, psychiatric nursing and behavioral pediatrics intern per year.

Paraprofessional Track

- \$3,000 per trainee to cover support activities (tuition, fees and supplies). Stipends are not allowed for the Paraprofessional Track.



BHWET Competitive Supplement Application Review Criteria

30 Points

Criterion 1: Purpose and Need

30 Points

Criterion 2: Response to Program
Purpose

20 Points

Criterion 3: Impact

10 Points

Criterion 4: Organizational Information,
Resources and Capabilities

10 Points

Criterion 5: Support Requested

Review Criteria 1: Purpose and Need

30 Points

Criterion 1: Purpose and Need

Reviewers will consider whether you have presented a clear purpose and evidence of a significant and compelling need for behavioral health services with a focus on treatment of OUD and other SUD within health centers.

Points will be given to applicants based on data provided:

1. Partnering health center site(s) is located in a county that overdose rate is equal to or higher than the national average of 19.8 per 100,000 population (10 points);
2. Partnering health center site(s) is located Mental Health Automatic Facility HPSA of equal to or greater than 16 (10 points); and
3. Demonstrating a clear purpose and evidence of a significant and compelling need (10 points).

Review Criteria 2: Response to Program Purpose

30 Points

Criterion 2: Response to Program Purpose

- **Work plan** (10 points): a clear, comprehensive, and specific set of goals and objectives and the concrete steps that will be used to achieve those goals and objectives.
- **Methodology / Approach** (20 points): the extent to which the proposed project:
 - aligns with the requirements and expectations of the NOFO; and
 - addresses the needs the applicant highlighted in the Purpose and Need section.

Review Criteria 3: Impact

20 Points

Criterion 3: Impact

- **Evaluation and Technical Support Capacity (10 Points):** Reviewers will consider whether you described your plan for program performance evaluation that included both your internal program performance evaluation plan and HRSA's required performance measures.
- **Project Sustainability (10 Points):** Reviewers will consider whether the applicant described a plan for project sustainability after the period of federal funding ends.

Review Criteria 4: Organizational Information, Resources and Capabilities

10 Points

Criterion 4: Organizational Information, Resources, and Capabilities

Reviewers will consider if the applicant has the organizational mission, structure, resources and capabilities in place to implement and complete the project by the timeframe set in the period of performance .

Review Criteria 5: Support Requested

10 Points

Criterion 5: Support Requested

The reviewers will consider the reasonableness of the proposed budget for each year of the period of performance, in relation to the objectives, the complexity of the project activities, and anticipated results.

BHWET Competitive Supplement Application Submission

- Applicants are required to submit through [Grants.gov](https://www.Grants.gov).
- The total size of all uploaded files may not exceed 20 pages.
- Applicants must download the SF-424 R&R application package associated with this NOFO, via [Grants.gov](https://www.Grants.gov).
- Section 8.5 of the [SF-424 R&R Application Guide](#) provides an Application Completeness Checklist.
- There are four required attachments:
 - Staffing Plan and Job Descriptions for Key Personnel;
 - MOU/A with Partnering Health Center;
 - Work Plan; and
 - Experiential Training Site/Field Placement Documentation
- There are two optional attachments:
 - Letters of Support, and
 - Other Relevant Documents
- Applications are due July 6, 2018 at 11:59 P.M. Eastern Time.



BHWET Competitive Supplement Review and Selection Process

- The Division of Independent Review is responsible for managing objective reviews within HRSA.
- Applications will receive an objective and independent review performed by a committee of experts qualified by training and experience.
- Each applicant will receive a summary of strengths and weaknesses of the application.
- Please see Section 5.3 of HRSA's [SF-424 R&R Application Guide](#).
- Selected awardees are expected to receive a Notice of Award prior to the September 1st start date.



Resources

- HRSA Division of Nursing and Public Health
<http://bhw.hrsa.gov/nursing/>
- Back to Basics: The Foundations for Grant Writing
<https://www.hrsa.gov/grants/apply/granttips.html>
- Tips for writing strong grant applications
<http://www.hrsa.gov/grants/apply/writestrong/index.html>
- HRSA SF-424 R & R Application Guide
<http://www.hrsa.gov/grants/apply/applicationguide/sf424rrguidev2.pdf>
- Find HPSA Score
<https://datawarehouse.hrsa.gov/>



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Questions

