



ATTACHMENT IV Mental Health Grant Program for Justice-Involved Individuals

SECTION I. STATEMENT OF WORK

The Jail Diversion Grant Program (The Program) shall provide community-based jail diversion services to individuals identified with a mental illness or co-occurring psychiatric and substance use disorder (COPSD). These individuals are at risk of involvement with the criminal justice system, have been arrested and incarcerated for the alleged commission of a crime, or adjudicated of a crime. The Program shall be designed to:

1. Reduce recidivism through a reduction in arrests and incarceration of persons with a mental illness or COPSD;
2. Reduce the total wait time for individuals placed on forensic commitment to a state hospital, state supported living center, contracted psychiatric bed, or outpatient competency restoration treatment program;
3. Provide evidence-based mental health treatment for persons involved in the criminal justice system;
4. Promote the use of the Sequential Intercept Model (SIM) to facilitate diversion strategies;
5. Foster community partnerships among service providers, law enforcement, and courts;
6. Increase sustainability by developing local community infrastructures;
7. Eliminate barriers to behavioral health treatment;
8. Increase the efficiency and efficacy of service delivery through data collection and evaluation to measure program outcomes;
9. Evaluate program effectiveness in reducing recidivism and improving mental health outcomes; and
10. Seek the expertise and inclusion of researchers, behavioral health service providers, forensic peers, criminal justice agencies, and other entities whose goal is to promote recovery among individuals with mental illness or COPSD.

A. General Requirements:

1. Grantee shall meet all of the statutory requirements of Texas Government Code, Chapter 531, Subchapter B, Section 531.0993, and Senate Bill (S.B.) 292, 85th Texas Legislature, Regular Session, 2017.
2. Grantee shall be considered a representative of a community collaborative comprised of the following entities at a minimum: a county, a Local Mental Health Authority that operates in the county, and each hospital district, if any, located in the county.



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3. Grantee shall comply with match requirements, to include use of non-state sourced funds in an amount total to the requirements specified in Texas Government Code, Chapter 531, Subchapter B, Section 531.0993, and S.B. 292. Matching funds maybe in the form of gifts, grants, or donations. In-kind match is allowable.
4. Grantee shall comply with the HHSC Uniform Terms and Conditions (Subrecipient).
5. Grantee shall maintain Memorandums of Understanding or contractual relationships with core providers responsible for the delivery of mental health, physical health, and/or COPSD services, including: residential services, mental health services, substance use services, healthcare services, vocational/educational services, peer support services, transportation services, housing support services, psychosocial rehabilitative services, skills training services, case-management services, and other services and supports as may be deemed appropriate during the term of the Program.
6. Grantee shall utilize the SIM as the framework for identification and operationalization of diversion strategies.
7. Grantee shall ensure any subGrantee personnel having interactions with people served through the Jail Diversion Grant Program act within the scope of their practice and have demonstrated competencies prior to providing services.
8. Grantee shall ensure criminal history background checks are conducted to ensure no Program staff, officer, agent, intern, resident, or volunteer has been convicted of or received a probated sentence or deferred adjudication for any criminal offense that would constitute a bar to employment pursuant to Texas Health and Safety Code §250.006.
9. Grantee shall ensure verification of licensure for all licensed positions, as applicable. All staff required to be licensed must be licensed by and in good standing with the State of Texas. Grantee shall require and document annual re-verification and self-reporting of license issues.
10. Grantee shall ensure a registry clearance is performed by conducting a review for reports of misconduct including abuse, neglect, and exploitation through:
 - a. The Employee Misconduct Registry maintained by the Department of Aging and Disability Services (DADS) in accordance to the Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Title 40, Chapter 93; and
 - b. The Nurse Aide Registry maintained by DADS in accordance with TAC Title 40, Chapter 94.



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B. Implementation:

Grantees shall implement projects under the Jail Diversion Grant Program as described in the approved Jail Diversion Grant Program Needs and Capacity Assessment (NCA) proposals.

SECTION II. PERFORMANCE MEASURES

HHSC shall use the terms of this Contract, including without limitation, the following performance measures, to assess Grantee's effectiveness in providing the services described in the Statement of Work.

Grantee shall perform the following activities and provide documentation to HHSC in the manner and timeframes specified below.

- A. Grantee shall update and deliver to HHSC, on or before _____, an Implementation Work Plan described in Section II of this Program Attachment, which shall include:
 1. A timeline with major milestones, including the submission of the final evaluation report on or before _____, during the term of this Program Attachment.
 2. A detailed program description outlining the services to be delivered and how the program will deliver treatment services.
- B. Grantee shall submit Forms _____, reflecting data for contractual performance measures in accordance with the schedule outlined in Information Item S Forms _____.
- C. Grantee shall submit a report to HHSC by November 30, 2018 describing the effect of the grant money and matching funds in achieving the standard defined by the outcome measures approved in the Jail Diversion Grant Program NCA.
- D. Grantee shall present to the Statewide Behavioral Health Coordinating Council on _____ and _____, on the impact the community collaborative has had on project implementation and mental health outcomes on the population served by the grant funding.
- E. All reports, documentation, and other information required of Grantee shall be submitted electronically to the Performance.Contracts@dshs.texas.gov email address, as well as to the assigned HHSC Contract Manager and HHSC Program Specialist. If HHSC determines Grantee needs to submit deliverables by mail or fax, Grantee shall send the required information to one of the following addresses:



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