

Dear Friend,

As a partner working to fight opioid and heroin abuse, Senator Baldwin wanted to make sure you were aware of new federal grant funding for critical treatment initiatives to help address this epidemic:

Improving Access to Overdose Treatment

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP), is accepting applications for fiscal year (FY) 2017 Improving Access to Overdose Treatment (Short Title: OD Treatment Access). SAMHSA will award OD Treatment Access funds to a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC), Opioid Treatment Program, or practitioner who has a waiver to prescribe buprenorphine to expand access to Food and Drug Administration (FDA)-approved drugs or devices for emergency treatment of known or suspected opioid overdose. The grantee will partner with other prescribers at the community level to develop best practices for prescribing and co-prescribing FDA-approved overdose reversal drugs. Click here for more information regarding OD Treatment Access grants and note applications are due by July 31, 2017.

Rural Health Opioid Program

The Health Resources and Services Administration is currently accepting applications for the Rural Health Opioid Program (RHOP), which seeks to promote rural health care services outreach by expanding the delivery of opioid related health care services to rural communities. The program will reduce the morbidity and mortality related to opioid overdoses in rural communities through the development of broad community consortiums to prepare individuals with opioid-use disorder (OUD) to start treatment, implement care coordination practices to organize patient care activities, and support individuals in recovery through the enhancement of behavioral counselling and peer support activities. The program supports three years of funding. Click here for more information regarding the Rural Health Opioid Program and note applications are due by July 21, 2017.

<u>First Responders - Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act Cooperative</u> Agreement

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP), is now accepting applications for fiscal year (FY) 2017 First Responders-Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act (FR-CARA) Cooperative Agreements. The purpose of this program is to allow first responders and members of other key community sectors to administer a drug or device approved or cleared under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for emergency treatment of known or suspected opioid overdose. Click here for more

information regarding FR-CARA grants and note applications are due by July 31, 2017.

If you would like to request a letter of support from Senator Baldwin to include with your application(s), please contact <u>Grants & Special Projects</u> staff in the Senator's Madison office. You can also visit Senator Baldwin's <u>website</u> to learn more about additional federal resources and funding opportunities that may be available to your community.

Sincerely,

The Office of U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin



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