



PROPOSED FY 2014-2015 Block Grant Application

Community Mental Health Services Plan and Report
Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Plan and Report

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

conditions or consultation on the benefits available to the expanded Medicaid population.

- The State Department of Justice that will work with the state, local, and tribal judicial system to develop policies and programs that address the needs of individuals with mental and substance use disorders that come into contact with the criminal and juvenile justice systems; promote strategies for appropriate diversion and alternatives to incarceration; provide screening and treatment; and implement transition services for those individuals reentering the community, including efforts focused on enrollment.
- The state education agency examining current regulations, policies, programs, and key data-points in local and Tribal school districts to ensure that children are safe; supported in their social-emotional development; exposed to initiatives that target risk and protective actors for mental and substance use disorders; and, for those youth with or at-risk of emotional behavioral and substance use disorders, to ensure that they have the services and supports needed to succeed in school and improve their graduation rates and reduce out-of-district placements.
- The state child welfare/human services department, in response to state child and family services reviews, working with local and tribal child welfare agencies to address the trauma, and mental and substance use disorders in children, youth, and family members that often put their children and youth at-risk for maltreatment and subsequent out-of-home placement and involvement with the foster care system. Specific service issues, such as the appropriate use of psychotropic medication can also be addressed for children and youth involved in child welfare.
- The state public health authority that provides epidemiology data and/or provides or leads prevention services and activities.

W. State Behavioral Health Advisory Council

Each state is required to establish and maintain a state advisory council for services for individuals with a mental disorder. SAMHSA strongly encourages states to expand and use the same council to advise and consult regarding issues and services for persons with, or at risk of, substance abuse and substance use disorders. In addition to the duties specified under the MHBG statute, a primary duty of this newly formed Behavioral Health Advisory Council will be to advise, consult with and make recommendations to SMHAs and SSAs regarding their activities. The Council must participate in the development of the MHBG state plan and is encouraged to participate in monitoring, reviewing and evaluating the adequacy of services for individuals with substance abuse disorders as well as individuals with mental disorders within the state. States are strongly encouraged to include American Indians and/or Alaska Natives; however, their inclusion does not suffice as tribal consultation. In the space below describe how your Council was

actively involved in your plan. Please provide supporting documentation regarding this involvement (e.g., meeting minutes, letters of support, etc.)

Additionally, please complete the following forms regarding the membership of your state's Advisory Council. The first form is a list of the Advisory Council members for your state. The second form is a description of each member of the Advisory Council.

State Council membership must demonstrate that the ratio of parents of children with SED to other Council members is sufficient to provide adequate representation of such children in deliberations of the Council and not less than 50 percent of the members of the Council are individuals who are not state employees or providers of mental health services.

- What planning mechanism does your state use to plan and implement substance abuse services?
- How do these efforts coordinate with the SMHA and its advisory body for substance abuse prevention and treatment services?
- Was your Advisory Council actively involved in developing the State BG Plan? If so, please describe how they were involved.
- Has your Advisory Council successfully integrated substance abuse prevention and treatment or co-occurring disorder issues, concerns and activities into the work of the Council?
- Is the membership representative of the service area population (e.g., ethnic, cultural, linguistic, rural, suburban, urban, older adults, families of young children)?
- Please describe the duties and responsibilities of the Behavioral Health Advisory Council.