SOS 3.0 and SOR 2.0 NCE Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)
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General Questions:

1. <u>When will Ohio hear about SOR 3.0?</u>

   On September 30, 2022, The Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) announced the receipt of $97M in federal State Opioid and Stimulant Response (SOS, formerly SOR) grant funding to help more Ohioans overcome the disease of addiction and maintain their recovery. The press release can be read at the following link: https://mha.ohio.gov/about-us/media-center/news/pr-09-30-2022

2. <u>What is the Department calling SOR 3.0?</u>

   The Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) has titled the Ohio SOR 3.0 Grant as the State Opioid and Stimulant Response (SOS) 3.0 Grant.

3. <u>What is the timeline for SOS 3.0?</u>

   The Department has developed a streamlined and responsive process for standing up SOS 3.0. Applications for SOS 3.0 continuation funding will open in the OhioMHAS Grants Funding Management System (GFMS) beginning October 5, 2022. Applications must be submitted in GFMS by November 30, 2022. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis.

4. <u>When do you expect to have GFMS open for starting our applications?</u>

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5. <u>Who is eligible to apply for SOS 3.0? Providers or Boards?</u>

The Department released the SOS 3.0 funding distribution plan for ADAMH Boards and Direct-Funded Community Organizations and Innovations providers. Projects funded with SOR 2.0 will be supported of SOS 3.0 funding. There will be an announcement should funding for new projects become available.

6. <u>Do we need to complete a GFMS application for SOR 2.0 NCE and SOS 3.0?</u>

Applications for SOR 2.0 NCE and SOS 3.0 will be submitted in GFMS. Please refer to Question 3 for the SOS 3.0 timeline. For technical assistance guides to complete a SOS 3.0 application, please refer to the GFMS Helpful Hints Guides specific to your project area on the SOS 3.0 webpage: https://mha.ohio.gov/know-our-programs-and-services/state-opioid-response-sitearea/sor-30

7. <u>Are we to submit one or two year budgets for SOS 3.0?</u>

Please prepare one year budgets for projects funded under SOS 3.0 year 1. The Department will be working closely with ADAMH Boards on the utilization of SOS 3.0 funds to support appropriate funding levels in year 2 of the SOS 3.0 grant.

8. <u>Are there 3 different SOR grants – SOR 3.0, SOR 2.0 NCE, and SOR 2.0 Carryover?</u>

Yes. SOS 3.0 grant and SOR 2.0 No-Cost Extension (NCE) grant programmatic periods begin September 30, 2022 and will end on September 29, 2023. SOR 2.0 Carryover programmatic period ended September 29, 2022.

9. <u>I would like to ask this one burning questions that is confusing me about what is SOR No-Cost Extension (NCE) and SOR Carryover? Because on the 9/30/2022 document that was sent out we talk about NCE and SOS 3.0 Award. Is there another pot of money called Carryover?</u>

Generally, SOR Grants are awarded to use within 2 years. Unspent funds from the first year of SOR 2.0 are categorized as SOR 2.0 Carryover. SOR 2.0 Carryover programmatic period ended September 29, 2022. The SOR 2.0 No-Cost Extension (NCE) grant programmatic period begins September 30, 2022 and will end on September 29, 2023. According to SAMHSA, a No-Cost Extension (NCE) allows programs to ensure the completion of originally approved project goals.

10. <u>What can SOR 2.0 NCE funds be used for?</u>

According to SAMHSA, a No-Cost Extension (NCE) allows programs to ensure the completion of originally approved project goals. The SOR 2.0 NCE funds should be used to finish any project originally funded by SOR 2.0 that was not completed due to slow start-up, staffing problems, COVID-19, etc.

11. <u>Do SOS 3.0 projects have to be new?</u>

The SOS 3.0 grant will support funding for Ohio's high-quality prevention, harm reduction, early intervention, treatment, and recovery supports that strengthen the state and local efforts to connect Ohioans with life-saving services. SOS 3.0 will support continued, and at the Board discretion, new funding to the state's 50 ADAMH boards. Direct funded community projects are generally viewed as continuation or expansion.

12. <u>What I am hearing is there will not be a gap in what our agencies intend to provide services that we can reimburse for? For example, if SOR 3.0 is not finalized until January that are awarded the funds go back and bill for October, November, and December?</u>

Reimbursement for services provided within the SOS 3.0 performance period starting September 30, 2022 and ending September 29, 2023 can be billed. Disbursements for reimbursed SOS 3.0 grant expenses will be contingent upon OhioMHAS final approved SOS 3.0 budget. Sub awardees budgets must align to SAMHSA's 5% indirect and administrative budget requirement.

13. <u>Can you share the goals of SOS 3.0?</u>

OhioMHAS has coordinated with statewide partners, sister state agencies and Governor Mike DeWine's RecoveryOhio initiative to identify Ohio's goals to address substance use and abuse, including to: (1) Reduce Unintentional Overdose Deaths, (2) Increase Access to Addiction Treatment, (3) Prevent Youth Alcohol and Drug Use, (4) Increase Recovery Supports, (5) Support Responsible Prescribing Practices, and (6) Promote Harm Reduction Practices. Please refer to the SOS 3.0 Resource Kit on the SOS 3.0 webpage for more information: https://mha.ohio.gov/know-our-programs-and-services/state-opioid-response-sitearea/sor-30

14. <u>Will SOS 3.0 follow the closeout process next fall?</u>

Yes. The Department will complete a renewal in GFMS for ADAMH Boards and direct-funded organizations who will receive continued funding in Year 2 of SOS 3.0.

15. <u>What are SOS 3.0 allowable expenses?</u>

Please refer to the SOS Grant Allowable and Unallowable Expenses Guidance on the OhioMHAS SOS 3.0 webpage: https://mha.ohio.gov/know-our-programs-and-services/state-opioid-response-sitearea/sor-30

16. <u>Are we allowed to use SOS 3.0 funds to purchase t-shirts?</u>

The purchase of t-shirts with SOS 3.0 funds and historical SOR grants is <u>not</u> allowable.

17. Are we allowed to use SOS 3.0 funds to purchase a billboard for an educational campaign?

SOS 3.0 funding can be utilized for universal direct/indirect educational campaigns, such as billboards, provided they specifically target individuals with opioid and/or stimulant use disorders. Please coordinate with your project lead inclusion of any required language or disclaimers.

18. Are we allowed to use SOS 3.0 funds for a Health Equity Consultant?

SOS 3.0 funding can be utilized for health equity work to increase accessibility of culturally and linguistically competent services for minority communities.

19. What is the deadline to submit SOR 2.0 Year 2 and Carryover disbursement requests in GFMS?

The deadline to submit final disbursement requests under SOR 2.0 Year 2 and SOR 2.0 Carryover for services completed on or before September 29, 2022 must be submitted in GFMS by November 14, 2022.

20. Are there other funding opportunities available by OhioMHAS to support opioid and stimulant use disorder prevention, treatment, and recovery supports?

To view grant opportunities from OhioMHAS, please visit the funding opportunities page at the following link: https://mha.ohio.gov/supporting-providers/apply-for-funding/funding-opportunities/funding-opportunities

21. Will the completion of the SOS application in GFMS comprise our entire application? Should we refer to the SOS Resource Kit to complete the application? Or will further instructions or an RFP be provided to which we need to respond?

The Department has developed a streamlined and responsive process for standing up SOS 3.0. Applications for SOS 3.0 continuation funding will be directly submitted in Grants Funding Management System (GFMS). GFMS will open in the OhioMHAS GFMS beginning October 5, 2022. Applications must be submitted in GFMS by November 30, 2022. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis.

22. Should organizations discharge all of the clients out of SOR 2.2 GPRA system? If so, when is the deadline?

At this time, please have all providers that receive SOR 2.0 NCE funding to complete GPRA within the iPortal and providers receiving SOS funding to collect paper GPRA.

23. <u>Do organizations need to re-enter all active clients into SOS 3.0? If so, when will the SOS 3.0 GPRA portal open for them to do so?</u>

All clients discharged from SOR 2.0 Services that are expected to continue to receive services funded by SOS (SOR 3.0) will need to complete a new intake GPRA.

24. <u>I would like to receive information regarding the Grant.</u>

For additional information about the SOS 3.0 grant, please visit the OhioMHAS SOS 3.0 webpage: https://mha.ohio.gov/know-our-programs-and-services/state-opioid-response-sitearea/sor-30. Any future funding announcements will be posted on the OhioMHAS funding opportunities webpage funding opportunities webpage included in the Department's weekly NewsNow e-newsletter.

25. <u>Should we use the line-item budget excel form and upload the budget to the GFMS application?</u>

Please use the forms in GFMS to fill out all project narratives.

26. <u>Will SOS 3.0 funds cover mobile units, housing and rent?</u>

SOS 3.0 can be used for permanent housing, recovery housing, and funding to cover the room and board while an individual is receiving treatment.

Recovery Housing must meet the definition in Ohio Revised Code Section 340.01 (A)(3) "Recovery Housing" means housing for individuals recovering from drug addiction that provides an alcohol and drug-free living environment, peer support, assistance with obtaining drug addiction services and other drug addiction recovery assistance and have a national accreditation from ORH, CARF, COA, and Oxford house. Individuals with opioid and stimulant use disorder who are enrolled in a treatment program and are residing in a recovery house that meets national standards can receive rental assistance.

Further guidance will be forthcoming regarding mobile units.

27. <u>Can we use SOS funds to pay for a SUD Residential program</u>?

Yes, SOS funds may be used to pay for residential treatment provided by an SUD residential program that is certified for the SUD residential and withdrawal management service by OhioMHAS and as long as another payer is not responsible for coverage of the residential treatment, or the residential treatment has been denied due to not meeting medical necessity. Non-covered components like room and board, may also be paid for using SOS funds.

28. I'm opening a recovery house in Youngstown Ohio. How do I go about getting grants or funding for clients?

   Please visit the OhioMHAS funding opportunities webpage to view current grant opportunities posted by the Department: https://mha.ohio.gov/supporting-providers/apply-for-funding/funding-opportunities

29. Please explain the application process for next year SOR3 Grant.

   There will be an announcement should funding for new projects become available. Any future funding announcements will be posted on the OhioMHAS funding opportunity webpage and included in the Department's weekly NewsNow e-newsletter.

30. Any of the grants designed to help with repairs of Recovery Residences?

   Please visit the OhioMHAS funding opportunities webpage to view current grant opportunities posted by the Department: https://mha.ohio.gov/supporting-providers/apply-for-funding/funding-opportunities.

31. As a newer organization within this community, will there be an RFP to apply for funds? Do we need to work directly with an agency in Hamilton County?

   There will be an announcement should funding for new projects become available. Any future funding announcements will be posted on the OhioMHAS funding opportunity webpage and included in the Department's weekly NewsNow e-newsletter.

32. I wanted to reach out in reference to the housing grants and knowing the process to apply.

   Please visit the OhioMHAS funding opportunities webpage to view current grant opportunities posted by the Department: https://mha.ohio.gov/supporting-providers/apply-for-funding/funding-opportunities.

33. I work for a 501c3 nonprofit whose mission is to change the way people and communities respond to substance use through theatre and drama therapy. We are interested in learning more about the grant funding opportunities for the State Opioid Response Funding.

   There will be an announcement should funding for new projects become available. Any future funding announcements will be posted on the OhioMHAS funding opportunity webpage and included in the Department's weekly NewsNow e-newsletter.

Questions specific to ADAMH Boards:

1. <u>In the memorandum sent to ADAMH Boards on September 15, 2022, was the SOR 2.0 NCE amount based on what has already been drawn down by that point?</u>

   A corrected memorandum from OhioMHAS detailing ADAMH Board award amounts in SOR 2.0 NCE and SOS 3.0 was distributed on October 5, 2022. Please refer to this correspondence for the most updated information.

2. <u>Our ADAMH Board has identified additional projects to fund under SOS 3.0 that exceed the current projected award amount. How can we request additional SOS 3.0 funding?</u>

   The Department acknowledges the ADAMH Board's request for additional funding for FFY23 to expand programs and offerings at the local level. At this time, please continue planning based on the funding levels identified in the award notice. If additional funding becomes available, OhioMHAS will inform the field.

3. <u>Will ADAMH Boards be aware of direct-funded organizations who receive SOS 3.0 awards?</u>

   On the OhioMHAS SOR Resource webpage, there will be an updated Community Investment Guidebook that will describe all ADAMH Board and direct-funded organizations funded by SOS 3.0. https://mha.ohio.gov/know-our-programs-and-services/state-opioid-response-sitearea/resources

4. <u>Is OhioMHAS gathering the ADAMH Boards' SOR 2.0 Carryover and SOR 2.0 NCE to make the ADAMH Board SOS 3.0 whole?</u>

   All ADAMH Boards will be funded for SOS 3.0 FFY23 at levels consistent with the SOR 2.2 award through a combination of the SOR 2.0 NCE and the SOS 3.0 investments.

5. <u>Would like clarification on whether we submit an initial program budget for the total amount of SOR 2.2 we received even though we are initially receiving approximately 30% less in our first allocation, BUT hearing that OhioMHAS was going to make up the loss to each Board in their January disbursements?</u>

   Please refer to the SOS 3.0 funding guidance for ADAMH Boards and Direct-Funded Community Organizations. The SOS 3.0 Budget submission is for the amount listed on the notification sent out 9.30.22, SOS 3.0 column.

6. <u>In other words, how do we enter into contracts with providers for the 70% amount or the full amount? If we enter into an MOU for the full amount and OhioMHAS does not send us an allocation in January to make us whole, then the Board is on the hook. Conversely, if we ask the providers to give us a budget with a 30% cut to start this grant cycle, it will be difficult, if not impossible to make up the lost programming in January.</u>

    Please refer to the SOS 3.0 funding guidance for ADAMH Boards and Direct-Funded Community Organizations. The SOS 3.0 Budget submission is for the amount listed on the notification sent out 9.30.22, SOS 3.0 column.

7. <u>We want to clarify that our application in GFMS will be for the full amount they are allocating to us for this program year—even though some of it will be assigned to the SOR 2.2 & SOR 2.0 Carry-Over amount that is unspent—is that correct? Or will we be doing two separate GFMS application processes and so one of our projects should be assigned to any No Cost Extension funding that we will have?</u>

    Please refer to the SOS 3.0 funding guidance for ADAMH Boards and Direct-Funded Community Organizations. The SOS 3.0 Budget submission is for the amount listed on the notification sent out 10.5.22, SOS 3.0 column. Plan to submit 2 GFMS applications. The first one for SOS 3.0 amount; a second GFMS application will be for the NCE award.

8. <u>What will occur if there is not as much left over NCE/Carry-over funding at the end of the bill out time frame? Will OhioMHAS still make Boards whole at the SOR 2.2 levels?</u>

    Yes, the Department will ensure that each ADAMH Board will receive the total investment that was received in the SOR 2.2 award through a combination of the NCE and SOS 3.0 NOSAs.

9. <u>What does this mean for a Board that was largely funded with NCE funding last year, so their SOR 2.2 number was lower? Are they being advised to plan for a total at the SOR 2.2 level of last year?</u>

    If you have fully expended your 2.2 or carryover, you will receive in the NCE amount an award that ensures your ADAMH Board has a total investment of the SOR 2.2 funding level through a combination of a NCE and SOS 3.0 NOSA. If you have not fully expended your 2.2 or carryover, the amount remaining will be available to your ADAMH Board and included in the NCE NOSA. If the amount remaining is less than the amount needed to ensure your ADAMH Board will receive the total investment of SOR 2.2, you will receive an amount that will ensure a total investment of the SOR 2.2 funding level through a combination of a NCE and SOS 3.0 NOSA.

10. <u>The OhioMHAS SOS 3.0 award ignores the additional SOR 2.0 Carryover allocations made to the Boards. We received $924,259.10, which is not accounted for in the</u>

OhioMHAS calculations. Was it the intent of OhioMHAS to exclude those allocations in determining the SOS 3.0 award amount?

Please see the corrected notification issued for SOS 3.0 funding guidance for ADAMH Boards and Direct-Funded Community Organizations.

11. Will we receive notice of who, in our communities, have applied and what they have been awarded and what service they are providing with that award to avoid duplicative planning and investment?

Yes, that information has been sent to OACBHA. The Department update on the SOS 3.0 webpage and Community Investment Guidebook once the program NOSA's are completed. If additional information is needed please contact the Grants Team SOR3@mha.ohio.gov

12. UPDATE 12.28.2022. Can each program budget a 5% admin fee? If each program takes a 5% administrative fee, can the Board also take a 5% administrative fee?

Refer to the Indirect Rate and NOSA Field Guidance issued on 12.14.2022

13. Will there be a process for new agencies/programs be able to apply for direct funding, or is that limited to agencies that were previously direct funded?

Should funding opportunities be available for SOS 3.0, the Department will post an announcement to the OhioMHAS funding opportunities page. Please continue to check the page here for updates: https://mha.ohio.gov/supporting-providers/apply-for-funding/funding-opportunities/funding-opportunities

14. Are we required to use the standard OhioMHAS budget form when uploading individual agency budgets or can we modify or create our own (one that mirrors the allowable costs)?

Projects must use the OhioMHAS Budget template in the GFMS.

15. Somewhere it was mentioned that the Department wanted a two-year budget. Do they want us to upload two separate budgets into GFMS? It doesn't mention that is the GFMS Helpful Hints—I don't think. Do they want the 2nd year budget to reflect a 30% decrease?

Please prepare one year budgets for projects funded under SOS 3.0 year 1. The Department will be working closely with ADAMH Boards on the utilization of SOS 3.0 funds to support appropriate funding levels in year 2 of the SOS 3.0 grant.

16. Can food be included in an overall recovery house operating budget since people live at the home and eat meals there and so it is included in the "rent". Not sure about how to ask this question?

Meals are not generally allowable.

17. <u>I read what has been offered and I am still unable to determine if we are able to use these funds to support individuals receiving services who are Medicare recipients, however, the provider is an ineligible provider and therefore the service is not an allowable service. Could clarification be provided?</u>

    SOR 3.0 Funds are payor of last resort. Greater detail is needed to respond. Please contact the Grants Team SOR3@mha.ohio.gov

18. <u>So, the SOR 2.2 Award Year 2 is what we have left over according to our records was $899,000.00, and that is now related to your $850,000.00?</u>

    These funds are now related to your No-Cost Extension (NCE) numbers which is based upon agency spending out of Year 2 Award. SOR 2.0 Year 2 funds that are not spent within the programmatic period will be eligible in your No-Cost Extension (NCE) Award, which will be finalized once final budget disbursements are completed.

19. <u>According to this September 30th document SOR No-Cost Extension (NCE) has it listed as $850,000 and some odd cents. We are saying we are going to drawdown a little over a million total by the 14th, and there is not enough money to cover that. You will still pay for that, but you are reducing the SOS 3.0 Award amount by what we go over?</u>

    A corrected memorandum from OhioMHAS detailing ADAMH Board award amounts in SOR 2.0 NCE and SOS 3.0 was distributed on October 5, 2022. Please refer to this correspondence for the most updated information.

20. <u>What is the timing of the 3.0 Application and word process? Because we obviously do want to continue these projects, but we have a small level of funding possible for continuing. When will we get the funding that is possibly supposed to start on September 30th with the 3.0?</u>

    SOS 3.0 NOSAs will be dated with a start date of September 30, 2022 and an end date of September 29, 2022. Generally, applications are reviewed within a 30-45 day period. SOS 3.0 applications submitted in GFMS will be reviewed on a rolling basis.

21. <u>I realize that you are looking at awarding level funding for SOS 3.0 based on SOR 2.2. If you look at our current draw downs, we have already pulled down 72% of our allocation and have not processed 4th quarter, we are still waiting on invoices. We are on track to spend 96% of our allocation and that number may go up, we have an amount of money that is tied up in purchase of service that has been increasingly being utilized as more people are coming off Medicaid, or no longer qualifying for other funds.</u>

Please reference the updated guidance for the SOS 3.0 available funding for ADAMH Boards. If the Board has disbursed their SOR 2.2 and Carryover funds by the end of the closeout period, the Board will still receive an award out of NCE up to the difference in funding levels to match the SOR 2.2 award amount. Please reference the updated guidance for the SOS 3.0 available funding for ADAMH Boards and the process the Boards can expect.

22. Our intention for SOS 3.0 was look at offering Regional coverage for ASAM Level 3 Services and Recovery Housing. We have received a significant number of requests from other counties, but the current structure of our SOR grant only focused on Richland County residents. We would also allow these funds to be used for treatment assistance for non-Richland County residents who are receiving outpatient and MAT services through offices located in Richland County (we have a smaller number of people that are included in this group, but enough to make a difference).

Funding for ASAM trainings is an allowable activity under SOS 3.0 /SOR 2.0 NCE provided that the training is not already offered at the State or Federal levels. To respond the numerous requests for ASAM training, note that OhioMHAS is issuing a RFP for ASAM statewide trainings. Please monitor the OhioMHAS funding portal at: https://mha.ohio.gov/supporting-providers/apply-for-funding/funding-opportunities. ASAM Level 3 services, recovery housing, and funding treatment services for out-of-county Ohio residents that do not receive third-party payor assistance are all allowable expenses through SOS.

23. Also, through SOR 2.1 Carryover, we were able to pilot our Homeless Response Team, which in May June, July, and August, led to 33 enrollments in GPRA and placement in either outpatient MAT or residential services. This has been very effective, and I would like to continue this program, however, the funding would not have been in SOR 2.2, so the level allocation would not cover this services in SOS 3.0. We also expanded our jail service coverage to weekends which lead to 10 additional enrollments in GPRA and some significant goodwill with the jail. This was also funded under 2.1 Carryover, but I would like to continue it in SOS 3.0.

These projects may continue in either SOS 3.0 or SOR 2.0 NCE. Please reference the updated guidance for the available funding for Richland County. The Board may choose, at their discretion, which programs to fund and at what funding levels for each period of performance.

24. Finally, we were able to provide locally 3x 2-day ASAM Criteria training as well as the 3-day ASAM leadership training to 60 individuals through SOR 2.1 Carryover. This gave us a significant leg up on getting new staff trained. I would like to include 2 additional 2-Day trainings under SOS 3.0.

To respond the numerous requests for ASAM training, OhioMHAS is issuing an RFP for ASAM statewide trainings. Please monitor the OhioMHAS funding portal https://mha.ohio.gov/supporting-providers/apply-for-funding/funding-opportunities

25. Prior to hearing about level funding, I had plans to request and additional $120K-$130K for SOS 3.0. I this still a possibility or are we limited just to what we had in SOR 2.2 regardless of our system's performance and ability to expand?

The Department acknowledges the ADAMH Board's request for additional funding for FFY23 to expand programs and offerings at the local level. At this time, please continue planning based on the funding levels identified in the award notice. If additional funding becomes available, OhioMHAS will inform the field.

26. As far as the No-Cost Extension (NCE) termination of 2.0 and Carryover, I understand you do not have the correct amount and we are still going to be spending it now, correct? We just are not going to have the NOSA until January with the correct amount?

Reimbursement for services provided within the SOS 3.0 performance period starting September 30, 2022 and ending September 29, 2023 can be completed.

27. I looked at the application that you guys sent to the Federal Government and there is the $40 million for the Boards, and there is also line items that simply say Recovery Support, Treatment, and Prevention. Are we eligible to apply for any of those funds, in addition to our Board Allocation?

The Department has planned SOS 3.0 investments to OhioMHAS Offices, including Office of Recovery Supports, Office of Treatment Services, and Office of Prevention Services who may release requests for applications (RFA) or requests for proposals (RFP).

28. How will OhioMHAS' partnership with ODH, OSU and the team from the PROFOUND project impact naloxone allocation and access at the county level?

The Department has made substantial investments in harm reduction and the distribution of life-saving opioid overdose reversal kits through partnership with the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) with historical and current SOR/SOS funding. Please visit NaloxoneOhio to access free naloxone kits: https://naloxone.ohio.gov/get-naloxone. Please note, projects that purchase naloxone with SOS 3.0 funds are required to submit additional reporting requirements each quarter. Please contact the Grants Team to obtain the additional reporting requirements SOR3@mha.ohio.gov.

29. Are we confined to the original categories or is their flexibility to move some of the remaining direct funds to indirect as they've been fully utilized?

The Board has the ability to develop or modify its NCE budgets to meet the needs of the community within the parameters of the grant. SOR 2.0 NCE funding can be used to support or expand current projects, or for projects that were originally planned with SOR 2.0 funding.

30. <u>Do I start by allocating the $1.3 million dollars out, and then work on completing that in GFMS?</u>

The Board can begin planning and programming for the SOS 3.0 dollars. The SOS 3.0 amount noted 10.5.22 corrected guidance and will be the first Notice of Sub-Award (NOSA) issued in GFMS once the application is reviewed and approved.

Applications for SOS 3.0 continuation funding will open in the OhioMHAS Grants Funding Management System (GFMS) beginning October 5, 2022. Applications must be submitted in GFMS by November 30, 2022. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis.

31. <u>If I submit it in a week or a week and a half, will it take about 30-45 days?</u>

Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis with an anticipated 45 day timeframe for approval.

32. <u>Will the SOR 2.0 NCE NOSA be in issued in February 2023?</u>

Once the SOR 2.0 Year 2 and SOR 2.0 Carryover applications are formally closed out in GFMS, the Department will begin accepting SOR 2.0 NCE applications in GFMS. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis with an anticipated 45 day timeframe for approval.

33. <u>When submitting our revised budgets for SOR 2.2 will we also have to submit each individual agency budget showing what they actually spent or just the revised board's line-item budget?</u>

The SOR 2.0 Year 2 and Carryover closeout process will follow the same procedure as SOR 2.0 Year 1. If your organization uploaded budget attachments for sub-awardees in the original submission, the Bureau requests the budget uploads are updated to reflect actual expenditures to closeout the grant.

34. <u>Is there a timeframe in which the SOS grants will be approved?</u>

The Department has developed a streamlined and responsive process for standing up SOS 3.0. Applications for SOS 3.0 continuation funding will open in the OhioMHAS Grants Funding Management System (GFMS) beginning October 5, 2022. Applications must be submitted in GFMS by November 30, 2022. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis.

35. Also, are we able to request the first quarter of funds once the application is approved?

Reimbursement for services provided within the SOS 3.0 performance period starting September 30, 2022 and ending September 29, 2023 can be billed. Disbursements for reimbursed SOS 3.0 grant expenses will be contingent upon OhioMHAS final approved SOS 3.0 budget. Sub awardees budgets must align to SAMHSA's 5% indirect and administrative budget requirement.

36. Can you share the link for SOS grant submission?

Applications for awardees receiving SOS 3.0 funding will be submitted in GFMS. For technical assistance guides to complete a SOS 3.0 application, please refer to the GFMS Helpful Hints Guides specific to your project area on the SOS 3.0 webpage: https://mha.ohio.gov/know-our-programs-and-services/state-opioid-response-sitearea/sor-30

37. Would OhioMHAS want grantees to increase outreach to black males in light of the data?

Yes. The Department is especially interested in improved outcomes for this population.

38. Please review the transitional process for GPRAs that were entered into the electronic system after September 30th that have already been discharged?

Refer to the GPRA Data Collection and Reporting Field Guidance issued on 11.04.2022

39. Has the paper GPRA forms been emailed out in terms of forms?

The paper version of the CSAT GPRA interview is available on the SARDI website: https://sardiprogram.com/sor/

40. If we are still continuing with NCE funds, are we will still using the paper forms or old process?

Participants receiving SOR 2.0 NCE funded services can continue to complete GPRA interviews in the iPortal following the current CSAT GPRA model.

41. The time of the roll out of 3.0 system (new GRPA form) and the overlap process and if we will need to go back and reenter new requirements for old/completed GPRAs?

SAMHSA has released a revised timeline for the implementation of the new version of the CSAT GPRA tool which is expected be in effect on January 21, 2023. Interviews using the expiring GPRA Tool must be completed on or prior to January 20, 2023. Interviews using the new version of the GPRA Tool should start on January 21, 2023.

42. Can you provide guidance on the GPRA data collection memo that went out yesterday?

The GPRA guidance memorandum was distributed on November 4, 2022 to awardees funded by SOR 2.0 NCE and SOS 3.0 which included GPRA collection instructions depending on grant funding source and data input. Information pertaining to trainings and changes planned for the GPRA were also referenced.

43. At discharge, is there an administrative and full interview GPRA option?

Providers should complete a full GPRA interview when the participant is discharged to the extent possible. If the participant cannot be reached for their discharge interview, an administration discharge interview can be completed.

44. When transitioning a client from SOR 2.0 NCE funding to SOS funding, what requirements are there for GPRA?

Due to SOR 2.0 NCE and SOS being two separate grants, there is a requirement to complete discharge interviews and intake interviews if transitioning between funding sources. If possible, the full GPRA interview is encouraged per SAMHSA requirement. If SOR 2.0 NCE and SOS funding are being utilized concurrently, then GPRA discharges will not need to be completed until SOR 2.0 NCE funding is no longer being utilized as that is a continuation from current funding.

45. Will we not know how much SOR 2.0 NCE funding we will receive until February?

Please see the NCE Field Guidance Issued 12.29.2022

46. When GPRA changes are made in December by SAMHSA, will the questions change?

Changes to GPRA intake, follow-up and discharge interview questions are planned for the January 21, 2023 GPRA revision by SAMHSA.

Questions Specific to November Regional Calls:

1. Was there any rate/research for Hispanic groups?

Yes. To access the data, please visit the Ohio Department of Health's website to view their data mark.

2. <u>Will the overdose data that was presented be shared? Or where can we access it? As a youth provider I am very interested in data regarding overdose of that age group.</u>

   To access the data, please visit the Ohio Department of Health's website to view their data mark.

3. <u>What's the population of focus, it's like the demographics getting hit the hardest aren't even being serviced? Is there a barrier with these organizations in reaching people of color?</u>

   The SOS 3.0 Resource Kit includes a needs assessment and hotspot data. That data recognized special and minority populations that require additional services and outreach regarding barriers. The Department is working collaboratively with partners across the state to identify ways to addressed those barriers with a lens on the social determinants of health.

4. <u>For Regional Call Spotlight Presenter, UMADAOP of Cincinnati, Can you please describe the "Pied Piper" position?</u>

   Pied Piper is the name given to the Peer Supporters at the organization.

5. <u>Do you have hot spot data for Preble County you could share?</u>

   The Department has community profiles by county listed on the following webpage: https://mha.ohio.gov/research-and-data/data-and-reports/county-assessment-data-profiles

6. <u>Can you please explain the "Age Adjusted Rate," in reference to the hot spots data?</u>

   It is an adjusted calculation based on age and rate of occurrence.

7. <u>I'd love to also see this data for 2021 if it's available.</u>

   The Department is in the process of updating data for 2021.

8. <u>Can the county profiles be sent to the board directors please?</u>

   The Department has community profiles by county listed on the following webpage: https://mha.ohio.gov/research-and-data/data-and-reports/county-assessment-data-profiles

9. <u>Please share contact information for the Franklin County UMADAOP speaker.</u>

Tammy Doby, MBA, CHES, tdoby@umadaopfc.com

10. <u>Can we get a copy of the slides?</u>

A recording of the presentation may be posted on the Resources tab of the Ohio SOR Program website at https://mha.ohio.gov/know-our-programs-and-services/state-opioid-response-sitearea/resources

11. <u>Is the age specific rate a percentage?</u>

It is an adjusted calculation based on age and rate of occurrence.

End 12.29.22