

## STATE OPIOID RESPONSE (SOR) FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)

- 1. Is this money separate from the Cures State Targeted Response funding?**  
Yes, this funding is in addition to the Cures STR allocation you received in late April. This funding can and should build upon STR efforts, but must be tracked separately from your STR funding.
- 2. Are we required to do prevention, treatment, and recovery activities?**  
Yes. The program requires that a comprehensive approach – which delivers prevention, treatment, and recovery activities – is taken. As noted in the Required Activities of the FOA, prevention, treatment, and recovery activities are all required components of the grantee’s program.
- 3. Are there required allocations for treatment, prevention, and recovery in this program?**  
No. There are no required allocations for how a grantee chooses to distribute its funding among prevention, treatment, and recovery activities. This program offers grantees the flexibility to allocate funding to best meet individual state/territory needs.
- 4. Is Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) a required component of this grant?**  
Yes. The provision of MAT is a requirement of the treatment component of the overall care continuum of prevention, treatment, and recovery activities under this program. MAT is the standard of care for treating opioid use disorder (OUD).
- 5. If a client does not wish to take medications, but is eligible to receive other services under the grant, can services be provided to the client?**  
Yes. Clients should not be turned away from the provision of services if they elect not to receive MAT.
- 6. Are recovery community organizations eligible to participate as providers?**  
Yes. SAMHSA encourages the use of peers and recovery community organizations as a critical component of the program. Individuals with lived experience can play a meaningful role in assisting individuals seeking recovery to achieve it.
- 7. Are Faith-Based Organizations (FBOs) eligible to participate as providers?**  
Yes. SAMHSA fully supports the use of FBOs as key providers in the continuum of care. SAMHSA supports many pathways to recovery. Faith is a central element of treatment and recovery for many individuals.

**8. May the state distribute a portion of the funds through a voucher or other indirect funding mechanisms?**

Yes. The state may use indirect funding to enhance the ability of new providers to participate. The state must include this in their application.

**9. Is Recovery Housing an allowable service under this program?**

Yes. Recovery housing is allowable under this program. Grantees are required to ensure that housing is appropriate and provides legitimate services.

**10. Are individuals who are incarcerated permitted to receive services under the grant?**

Yes. Service provision while an individual is incarcerated is an allowable activity under the grant program.

**11. Are the allocations in Appendix K a one year total or a two year total?**

The allocation in Appendix K is the annual allocation for the year. This amount should be requested for each of two years with the following time periods: 9/30/2018-9/29/2019: Appendix K amount; 9/30/2019-9/29/2020: Appendix K amount.