

Questions and Answers

RFP #024 Drug Court Evaluation Services in Onondaga County, New York

1. Is this open to for profit and if so I have the following questions as we have never done this before.

The eligible audience for this RFP is not limited to not for profit organizations. Individuals and for profit entities may apply.

2. Expected number of evaluations per year? Is a urine drug screen required at time of evaluation?

The evaluation sought herein is a process and outcome evaluation. The detailed specifications are available at:

<http://nycourts.gov/admin/bids/PDFs/Evaluation%20Services%20RFP%20-%20Syracuse.pdf>

3. Is travel indicated only with-in Onondaga County?

Travel includes in-county travel AND travel to a mandatory grantee meeting at a location to be announced, but likely outside of Onondaga County.

4. Do expect the database to be a relational database that has reporting capabilities for rapid feedback, or if management of data through Excel with manually generated reports would be sufficient?

The evaluator would be responsible for ensuring all necessary data is collected in order to conduct a process and outcome evaluation. Data will be available through the SAMHSA SPARS system as well as the New York State Universal Treatment Court (UTA) database. The UTA is a statewide information system that provides comprehensive data on drug treatment court participants. Data from the UTA can be provided as a flat file upon request. Data may also need to be collected on any additional treatment measures and evidence-based assessment tools utilized by the project that is not maintained in either system. The evaluator will also be responsible for providing regular reports to the project team and will work with the court to complete biannual and annual reports as required by SAMHSA.

5. Is it preferable for the database solution to have the capability to track program data for similar programs at multiple sites/judicial districts?

No.

6. Will the structure of the contracts be fixed price or cost reimbursable with a 'do not exceed amount' in nature?

The contract will be structured for quarterly reimbursement of costs in accordance with an approved budget.

7. Can you confirm the funding available for the 3 year project?

The available funding for the three year project solicited here (evaluation) is \$47,248.

Questions and Answers

RFP #024 Drug Court Evaluation Services in Onondaga County, New York

8. How many individual court/sites are participating in this project?
The Syracuse Community Treatment Court is housed in the John C. Dillon Public Safety Building. More information about the court is available here: <https://www.nycourts.gov/courts/5jd/onondaga/city/drug.shtml>
9. What is the expected number of individuals served through the Health Young People Excel (HYPE) project?
The anticipated number of HYPE participants over the course of the three-year term of the grant is estimated at 135 (40 in Year 1, 50 in Year 2 and 45 in Year 3).
10. Can you provide more information about the target population of high need/high risk young adult males. What are they at “high need” and “high risk” of?
High need is reference criminogenic needs that may include clinical disorders or functional impairments. High Risk is referring to the risk to reoffend.
11. Can you provide more information about the evidence based practices that will be employed?
The proposed evidence-based services/practices to be employed in this project are: Dialectical Behavioral Therapy skills, Moral Reconciliation Therapy, Exploring Trauma, and Contingency Management.