

# Enhancing Pediatric Inpatient Services

## Overview of MHA Competitive Grant Program



Leading Healthcare

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# Welcome

- Q&A will be offered at the end of the session. Please put any questions you have in chat and they will be answered following the presentation.

# Background

- The MHA successfully advocated for \$50 million to expand access to pediatric psychiatric services.
- Program objective:
  - “Competitive grant program for healthcare providers to increase the number of slots in long-term pediatric psychiatric inpatient hospitals, centers or psychiatric residential treatment facilities.”

# Funding Source

- Program is funded through state General Fund dollars.
- The MHA will be the fiduciary of the funds, issued to grantees as part of a competitive grant cycle.
- Work Project
  - Funds will not lapse at the end of the fiscal year and will be available until projects are complete.

# Grant Timeline

- March 16 – RFP released to MHA membership.
- April 11 – Grant webinar.
- May 5 & May 24 – Reminder emails about upcoming submission deadline.
- June 1, 11:59 p.m. – Applications due.
- Mid-June – Award decisions made and facilities notified.
- Program dates: Grant runs through **Sept. 30, 2027**

*If funding is not exhausted following the June 1 submission deadline, the grant program will re-open on a quarterly submission basis until monies have been awarded (Sept. 1, Dec. 1, Mar. 1, June 1).*

# Grant Documents

## TO BE INCLUDED IN FACILITY SUBMISSION

- **Cover Page** (1pg limit)
- **Appendix B** - Project Proposal & Workplan Template (5pg limit)
- **Appendix C** - Project Budget

# Grant Documents

## FOR FACILITY INFORMATION ONLY

- **Request for Proposal**
  - An overview document provided to outline program details, recap the application process and share additional details about each of the appendices.
- **Appendix A – Grant Scoring Criteria**
  - Outlines the criteria the MHA will use to evaluate proposals and make grant awards.
  - This document is not part of the hospital submission.

# Submission & Review Process

## Submission

- Documents are to be submitted to the MHA via [online survey](#).
  - **No late submissions will be accepted!**
- All documents should be submitted as a PDF.
  - Except budget – submit as an Excel file.

## Review

- All applications will be reviewed by a review committee.
- Appendix A will be used to score applications and determine awards.



# Defining “Pediatric”

- For purposes of this grant application, the MHA is defining pediatric as up to age 25.
  - This definition is in alignment with the Michigan requirement to provide educational services for children/adolescents with disabilities to this age.

# Commonly Asked Questions

1. When will awardees be notified?
  - **Mid-June**
  
2. What does “long-term” mean (*increase the number of beds available in long-term pediatric psychiatric inpatient hospitals.....*)?
  - **Long-term could refer to either:**
    - **Beds created through the program are in place beyond grant funding expiration.**
    - **Patient length of stay (30+ days).**

## Commonly Asked Questions

3. Can this money **only** be used for pediatric psych beds?
  - **No, projects providing acute care services for pediatric psych patients is acceptable.**
  - ***Note: All facilities are eligible for funding; not just hospitals who currently have pediatric inpatient beds.***
  
4. What is the geographic distribution for the grant?
  - **Dependent on applications received.**

# Program Budget

- Funding is STATE-sourced.
  - Will not have a CFDA number.
  - Not subject to Single Audit.
- Facilities cannot be awarded more than \$25M.
- The more detailed budget, the better.
  - Has both single-year and multi-year tabs.
- Reimbursements will occur after expenditure incurred.
  - Not advanced based on budget templates.
  - The MHA review committee will award allocated amount.

# Allowable/Ineligible Expenses

- Period of Performance begins 3/1/23.
  - Estimated end date of 9/30/27.
  - Lookback cutoff every 9/30, State's FYE.
  - Unspent funds will rollover to following year.
- No R&D costs are allowed.
- No indirect costs are allowed.
- All submissions are reviewed by MHA Finance.

## Expense questions

- Expenses can be substantiated via PDF or Excel.
  - Payroll journals, external invoices, GL reports.
- Reimbursement-based. No money issued until receipts for spending can be substantiated (quarterly).
  - The MHA will reimburse facilities within 30-days of receiving funds from the MDHHS, after quarterly submissions.
- Hospitals must identify 20% matching funds .
  - Substantiated via general ledger expense, invoices totaling beyond grant award amount, etc.

# Subrecipient Grant Agreements

- Grant agreements will detail amounts awarded and requirements.
- All recipients are attesting to submitting actual expenditures incurred.
- Any unsubstantiated funds will be returned at the end of the grant period.
- The MHA reserves the right to audit subrecipients if deemed necessary.

# Reporting Requirements

- Quarterly Deliverables
  - Submitted to the MHA via online survey platform.
  - Including:
    - Workplan template.
    - Budget template.
      - Including receipts for reimbursement.



# Reporting Timeframe

Activities Conducted	Program Updates & Expense Forms Due
July 1 – Sept. 30	October 21
Oct. 1 – Dec. 31	January 21
Jan. 1 – March 31	April 20
April 1 – June 30	July 21

Questions?

# Contact Us

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