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Mississippi Department of Mental Health

Bureau of Behavioral Health Services

Division of Children and Youth Services

Youth Mental Health Court

Funding Application Request

Application Due Date: **June 9, 2023**

State of Mississippi

Youth Mental Health Court

The Department of Mental Health/Bureau of Community Mental Health Services is now accepting requests for proposals for state fiscal year 2024.

Please note that all grants are contingent on the funding by the Mississippi State Legislature and/or the Federal Government. The submission of this application to the Department of Mental Health is not a guarantee of funding.

This proposal application is eligible to all Mississippi Department of Mental Health (DMH) certified providers who are in good standing. However, DMH certification is not a guarantee of funding. All submitted proposals will be evaluated by a panel of reviewers using the posted competitive grant scoring rubric. Not all submitted proposals may be funded, but comprehensive feedback will be provided to all providers, particularly if their application was not funded for the current fiscal year. The funding associated with this grant opportunity is meant to defray a proportion of the operational costs for the service.

Youth Mental Health Courts link youth involved in the juvenile justice system with appropriate mental health services and return them to their communities. Youth Mental Health Courts are designed to help provide individualized, community-based mental health services to youth in the juvenile justice system under the close supervision of a judge and other court and behavioral health professionals. Through collaborative and non-adversarial efforts among all professionals in the process, Youth Mental Health Courts attempt to identify underlying psychological, educational, and social needs that contribute to youthful offending. Together, professionals with the courts, mental health professionals, and professionals from other child-serving disciplines use a strengths-based problem-solving approach, with the ultimate goal of assisting youth to remain in, or reenter, their communities and avoid detention.

Application Guideline Requirements: Please submit the following required forms which can be found in the MS Department of Mental Health's Service Provider Manual.

1. Proposed Budget Summary Form: 100-1
2. Proposed Budget Personnel Form: 100-2
3. Proposed Budget Line Item Form: 100-3
4. Budget Narrative/Justification.
5. Program Narrative (not to exceed 6 pages) which addresses B – D.

B. Outcome Measures

1. List goals and/or objectives from FY 2023's application.
 - a. Provide the outcome for each goal/objective listed.
 - b. If the goal/objective was not met, describe the barrier(s) which prevented the service from meeting the goal/objective.
 - c. Provide a plan to overcome the barrier(s) listed in the upcoming fiscal year.
2. List the new goals and/or objectives for FY 2024.
 - a. Describe how the service will meet each goal/objective.
 - b. Describe how you plan to evaluate the effectiveness of the service.

C. Specific Activities Related to the Grant:

- 1) Youth Mental Health Court behavioral health staff will attend court(s) weekly to provide immediate assistance to youth and families with behavioral health challenges.
- 2) Youth Mental Health Court behavioral health staff will meet/collaborate with Youth Court Counselors to collaborate regarding youth receiving or in need of mental health services.
- 3) Services provided to youth entering the Youth Mental Health Court can include care coordination, outpatient therapy, Peer Support Services, Community Support Services, Mobile Crisis Emergency Response Team services, and medication evaluation and monitoring.
- 4) Completion of a DMH approved functional assessment initially and every 6 months, thereafter, to determine progress.
- 5) Dissemination of a Stakeholder Satisfaction Survey twice annually to stakeholders regarding the efficacy of the services.
- 6) A current MOU between the provider and Youth Court regarding the mental health services and supports to be provided must be included in the RFA submission

D. Reporting on Performance Measures:

DMH grant recipients must review the performance data they submit to DMH, assess their progress, and use this information to improve the management of their grant. Recipients are also required to report on their progress addressing the goals and objectives identified in the grant. The assessment should be designed to help you determine whether you are achieving the goals, objectives, and outcomes you intend to achieve and whether adjustments need to be made. Recipients are required to submit a monthly report on the performance measures with the submission of the cash request.

E. Other Guidelines:

1. Any travel reimbursement listed in the budget cannot exceed the current State of Mississippi reimbursement rate (currently \$0.665 per mile.)
2. Indirect/administrative costs listed in the budget cannot exceed 8% of the budget total.
3. Provide a list of staff from the Proposed Budget Personnel Form 100-2 which also provides a portion of their time to other grant funded services, to include; the grant funded service, the position the staff holds, and the percentage of time the staff will be providing the other service(s).
4. Performance Measure reports required by this funding must be submitted monthly with your cash request.
5. Agencies that are not able to meet the required goals/objectives of this service funding and are not able to submit timely and accurate data as required by DMH may not be eligible for future funding for this service.

F. Required Data Report(s):

1. Monthly reports submitted by the provider with cash requests for reimbursement.
2. Any questions regarding this grant can be emailed to lynda.stewart@dmh.ms.gov in the Division of Children and Youth Services.



**Youth Mental Health Court
Monthly Reporting Form**

Today's Date: _____

Agency/Organization Name: _____

Reporting Month/Year: _____

- 1. Total number of youth referred during the reporting month _____**
- 2. Total number of youth referred during the reporting month who were already receiving services from the agency other than Youth Mental Health Court services _____**
- 3. Total number of youth referred during the reporting month who had an intake completed in the same month _____**
- 4. Total number of youth referred in the previous month who had an intake completed in the current month _____**
- 5. Total number of youth referred for the current grant period who were released from juvenile justice involvement this reporting month _____**
- 6. Total number of youth referred for the current grant period who were previously released from juvenile justice involvement and have returned to juvenile justice involvement this reporting month _____**