

Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission
RFA_MHSSA_003
Questions and Answers

	RFA Section Reference	Question	Answer
1	Table V-2 V.E.2 V.E.4.a.3 VII. D.1.d	If funds were in the budget to cover costs such as mileage, supplies previously, can we increase this amount based on expense coverage needed?	<p>The references to this question makes it difficult to properly answer since they refer to requirements for both MHSSA_001 Grantees and New Applicants.</p> <p>The response provided is specifically for current Grant Holders.</p> <p>If funds were previously approved for certain items and/or classifications in your budget and subsequent contract, you may propose in your budget for this RFA additional funding the same items and/or classifications.</p>
2	Table V-2 V.E.2 V.E.4.a.3; VII.D.1.d	Can these funds cover costs like rent, cell phones, computers etc. if that was not specifically written into the grant?	<p>The references to this question makes it difficult to properly answer since they refer to requirements for both MHSSA_001 Grantees and New Applicants.</p> <p>The response provided is specifically for current Grant Holders.</p> <p>The question is not clear since it refers to past tense, meaning a current existing grant contract/budget. This RFA is offering additional funds in which Applicants can specifically list out the items in your proposed budget. You do not need to use the same categories in your current contract/budget.</p>

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			In addition, if you cannot identify the specific items, MHSSA_001 Grantees are limited to 15% Administrative costs and MHSSA_002 Grantees are limited to 10% Indirect Costs or their federally approved indirect rate.
3	Bidder Conference	What is specifically meant by submit a “Golden” budget and a “Regular” budget?	The RFA does not have any reference to “Golden” budget and we do not recollect that term being used in the Bidder Conference.
4	VIII. D.2. a	Can you provide more guidance on this [Commission not wanting unspent funds at the end of the grant term]? What happens if we do have unspent funds and how does this affect into Sustainability and expansion?	The proposed budget for these funds should reflect what can be spent during the contract period. Grant funds have a finite period of time in which they need to be spent. Any unspent funds at this point in time will be returned to the State.
5	V.	What are the exact funding dates for new grantees?	Funding will be provided as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Upon contract execution, the Commission will pay the full amount budgeted for Program Development. - Program Operations budget amounts will be disbursed on a quarterly basis at the end of each quarter.
6	VII.	What are the requirements for planning for sustainability?	For new applicants only. There are no requirements for sustainability planning to be included with an application. Sustainability should be planned during the Program Development Phase and implementation of the plan should occur during the Program Operations Phase.
7	VIII.D	What is maximum amount a grantee would be awarded?	The Commission cannot identify the maximum amount that a Grantee will be awarded since it is dependent upon the number of Applicants who

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			apply. The intent is to award all of the funds available to all compliant Applicants according to the allocation process identified in RFA MHSSA_003 Section V.D. Grant Apportionment.
8	VIII.C	What is considered brief for Attachment 8?	For the purposes of this RFA, brief is considered providing enough information for the reader to understand your response. The Commission does not expect a full detailed plan.