

Mobile Medication Units Supp #1012 Q&A

1. Helio Health was awarded for both the Mohawk Valley and Central regions. We are curious about the new RFA in that those regions appear to be eligible for new applicants. Can we expect that there will be additional MMU awards made for those two regions if acceptable applications are made from other organizations?

Response: Yes

2. As you may know, Horizon provides OASAS-licensed Part 822 services at multiple locations across Erie, Niagara and Genesee Counties in Western New York. Our corporate affiliate, Horizon Village, provides 193 beds for intensive residential detoxification, stabilization and intensive residential treatment. Horizon provides a range of Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) services to its patients except for methadone. In 2021, Horizon dispensed MAT to 1,515 unique patients including buprenorphine, all versions of Naltrexone, and NAC (N-acetyl cysteine). Horizon has 3,595 buprenorphine slots, 1,226 of which were in use as of 2/21/22, and provided 193 Sublocade and 159 Vivitrol injections per month. In the light of our range of MAT services, and our status as a major SUD treatment provider in our region, we question our being excluded from grant eligibility and thereby our capacity to best serve our patients.

Response: Only OASAS-certified Opioid Treatment Programs can dispense methadone on a mobile medication unit for the purposes of maintenance and detoxification treatment for substance use disorder. Hence, only OASAS-certified Opioid Treatment Programs are eligible for this funding opportunity.

3. Is there a specific form we should be using to update the budget, or should we just revise on the original budget form?

Response For providers who received awards through SUPP 1002 or SUPP 1003 only:

- Execute the contract that had been provided
- Submit a budget modification using the budget form: https://oasas.ny.gov/system/files/documents/2022/06/supp1012_attachmentb.pdf
- This form, Attachment B – Budget and Funding Summary - (SUPP1012), may also be found on the OASAS website at: <https://oasas.ny.gov/rfa/mobile-medication-unit-iii>
- Send the new budget modification request to OASASBudget@oasas.ny.gov

4. Is the deadline for this (budget form) resubmission July 19th?

Response: Yes, for providers who received awards through SUPP 1002 or SUPP 1003 only

5. I just wanted to confirm my understanding of eligible costs. We can use this additional funding to staff the mobile vehicle, right?

Response: Yes

6. Are there any geographic restrictions or areas that are excluded?

Response: MMUs proposing to provide OTP services within New York City counties are excluded.

7. What is the project/contract period and is there an expected timeline to be operational?

Response: Funds must be expended on or before March 14, 2023. MMUs must continue to provide services for a minimum of 2 years from the first day of operation.

8. What are the specific parameters required for a mobile unit?

Response: Refer to the DEA's Final Rule to ensure federal regulatory compliance. In addition, the build out must ensure that the MMU is able to safely and effectively provide at a minimum the following required services: medication administration and observation, admission assessments and medication induction, basic medical services, and toxicology tests. For MMUs that choose to provide additional services such as counseling, peer support services, or any other services, the build out must also take into consideration these services and any additional space required to maintain patient privacy and confidentiality.