

Q&A Session for Opioid Settlement Fund Statewide Community Meeting
12.06.23 1:00pm

Q1. When do we need to report?

A1. Reporting on Opioid Settlement Dollars varies by contract. Please reach out to OSFProjectManagement@oasas.ny.gov for answers specific to your contract.

Q2. What specifically are the Recovery Funds intended for?

A2. Opioid Settlement Fund dollars distributed through the National Settlement are for the abatement of future harms.

Q3. For DOH- Pls comment on Coroner Training and having no applications? That means no applications from potential trainers?

A3. Correct - DOH is exploring alternative solutions.

Q4. Can you tell me how many dollars were allocated to inpatient care?

A4. No, dollars are not tracked by the level of care, in most cases the dollars are tracked by the Opioid Settlement Board areas of focus, please see the Opioid Settlement Tracker for additional details. <https://oasas.ny.gov/fy-2023-opioid-settlement-fund-initiatives>

Q5. Will there be funding to support existing Syringe Exchange and related Harm Reduction Programs?

A5. The Department of Health will be providing funding to existing syringe exchange programs to allow them to expand their services, add new sites, and increase their workforce. This may include hiring people with lived experience. In addition, RFAs will be issued this summer that syringe exchange programs will be eligible to apply for.

Q6. Any consideration given to Pain management RFPs focused being considered?

A6. No.

Q7. Is there a specific way to document any funds that carry over from previous year due to unforeseen circumstances?

A7. Again, this is specific to the contract, please contact OASAS directly.

Q8. Can you speak to the workforce titles and/or eligible applicants for the upcoming opportunity?

A8. Workforce is a major issue, and a continued area of focus. The workforce solutions (scholarships, and future opportunities) will consider all workforce titles.

Q9. Is there a media consultant for those that received funding?

A9. Please coordinate any publicity regarding this award with the OASAS Communications Office at communications@oasas.ny.gov or by calling (518) 457-8299.

Q10. Our system has a need to educate faculty for Psych Nurse Practitioner PhD program, so that we can address workforce needs for PNP's. Would tuition support be eligible?

A10. This is not part of the current scholarship program but thank you it is a notable suggestion.