

**New York City Substance Use Disorder Treatment Services RFP
Inquiries and Answers**

- 1) If an existing agency delivering outpatient SUD services, are our current client's part of this contract? Or will by virtue of this contract, will an existing agency be receiving additional referrals?

Answer: Funding under this RFP is expected to be used for new programs or expansion of existing programs. OASAS will not be "making referrals." Applicants should explain the community need in their proposal.

- 2) If there are additional referrals, where are these referrals coming from and how do we attribute them directly to the contract?

Answer: See #1

- 3) From a budgetary standpoint, are we making our own assumptions regarding the number of clients in the contract?

Answer: Yes

- 4) Where are the current contracts that this funding will replace?

Answer: This funding is derived from contracts in the 5 boroughs that will end on June 30, 2015.

- 5) Do you have to already have the site in place when responding to the RFP?

Answer: It can be a new proposed site; however, providers must have a valid operating certificate at the time of contract awards and be able to begin operation within 6 months of the contract start date of July 1, 2015.

- 6) Can agencies apply for more than one borough? If so, are separate applications required?

Answer: Yes, for outpatient services agencies can apply for more than one borough and separate applications must be submitted for each borough. Applications for community residential services may only be submitted for Richmond County.

- 7) If this is a RFP, why are proprietary entities excluded from applying?

Answer: OASAS does not have statutory authority under the Mental Hygiene Law to fund proprietary entities.

- 8) Is this RFP for existing programs to continue receiving funding or is this for additional funding to enhance services in the OTP?

Answer: OTP (opioid treatment programs) are not eligible to apply for funding under this RFP.

- 9) Will letters of support be beneficial attachments?

Answer: Letters of supports will be reviewed and factored into scoring.

- 10) Regarding the proposal narrative page limit: Does one double sided page of text count as one or two pages towards the 20 page limit for the proposal narrative?

Answer: A double sided page county as two pages.

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11) On page 6, Part C, the RFP states the prequalification requirements for Not-For-Profit Applicants (Mandatory). Our Organization is currently registered in the Grants Gateway (under its parent company). We currently have a SFS Vendor ID number as well as a DUNS number. My question is whether we have also completed the Vendor Prequalification process, which includes the Registration Form for Administrator, since we are already registered.

Answer: Neither the Grants Gateway system nor the Statewide Financial System is set up to recognize parent/child relationships. Therefore, if a proposal is submitted under the name of New Directions, New Directions must be prequalified in the Grants Gateway system as well as registered in the Statewide Financial System as New Directions. Likewise, if a proposal will be submitted under the name of Brooklyn Center for Psychotherapy & New Directions, the name must match in both systems. Further, if you want the option to submit under Brooklyn Center for Psychotherapy & New Directions an intent to bid form should be submitted for that entity by the extended deadline of 2/25/15, 5:00p.m. EST. Keep in mind you are under no obligation to submit a proposal by submitting an intent to bid.