



**Questions regarding ITN #09-10/11-002
Substance Abuse Treatment Services –
Adult Post-Adjudicatory Drug Court Expansion Program**

1. Q Pg. 5 states we will not provide or invoice for detoxification as part of the services. To clarify, may we provide detox to offenders participating in this grant if we don't bill the grant for it? For example, if we identified a way to provide the services in-kind or through other funding?

A Yes. Yes.

2. Q As with question #1, pg. 5 states we will not provide or invoice for outpatient psychiatric treatment as part of the services. May we provide outpatient psychiatric treatment to participants in the grant if we do not bill the grant for it (and instead utilize other funding)? We are mandated by the Central Florida Behavioral Health Network (and ultimately DCF) to address co-occurring mental health disorders to maintain licensure, and it is part of the ordinary and customary treatment in Behavioral Health, a best practice.

A Yes.

3. Q Pg. 5 also states we will refer offenders needing detox to “community partners who are not funded with these JAG funds.” If the answer to #1 is “yes” (i.e., that we may refer out for detox as long as we don't bill the grant for it), then may we refer to our community detox provider, ACTS, which is a partner in this proposal for non-detox treatment services (as long as they provide the detox in-kind or through other funding, without billing this grant)?

A Yes.

4. Q Will any in-kind services be considered Program Generated Income?

A It is our understanding that in-kind services are not considered Program Generated Income (PGI).

5. Q Pg. 13 states we will accept all referrals from the Court. If the treatment required for an individual (based on our assessment) is beyond the capability of the agency(s), will referral to an appropriate agency for non-drug court services be acceptable?



A The response to this question would depend upon the definition, explanation, or list outlining the non-drug court services that you are referring to.

6. Q What is the expected number of clients to be served annually?

A The expected number of offenders to be served is 505 per year for two years.

7. Q Upon completion of treatment services, will case management services be provided by court case managers? Or will agencies be required to continue such services? (What is the courts definition of Aftercare, under II-2a., pg 9?)

A The response to this question would depend upon the definition of case management services following completion of treatment. (When determined to be clinically appropriate, aftercare consists of a reduced level of treatment designed to assist and support the client's transition to the community. Aftercare is a part of treatment services.)

8. Q Regarding the evidenced bases evaluation: Is level of care determined solely by the treatment provider conducting the evaluation or are treatment needs identified and ordered by the court?

A The level of care will be determined on a case-by-case basis through a collaborative process involving the court, drug court staff, and treatment as to what level of treatment is in the best interest of the client.

9. Q Regarding the evidenced based evaluation & best practices and data submission: will agencies be required to provide data at baseline, 3 months, 6 months, and conclusion for all evidenced based assessments and evidenced based best practices? Or will the court stipulate data collection periods, frequency, and types?

A The evidenced based evaluation and assessment tool utilized by a treatment provider, along with the grant reporting requirements, will dictate data collection periods, frequency, and types.

10. Q How much time is being given from the date that the contract is awarded to an Agency to the date that services must start?

A The anticipated start date for referrals to treatment is February 1, 2010.



11. Q Electronic proposals: Is stipulates submitting using Word 2003 or greater, can this be a PDF instead?

A Yes.

12. Q Will contracts be for the full 2 year term of the funding or will they be annual with an option to continue?

A Contracts for treatment services are year-to-year, with an option for renewal in the 2nd year being at the sole discretion of the Trial Court Administrator.

The 13th Judicial Circuit's performance and obligation to pay under the agreement is contingent upon an annual appropriation by the Florida Legislature, the availability of funds appropriated by the Federal government, and final spending approval from the Chief Justice of the Florida Supreme Court.