ADAMHSCC Request for Proposals
Art Therapy Program

Summary and Background
The mission of the ADAMHSCC is to promote and enhances the quality of life for residents of our community through a commitment to excellence in mental health, alcohol, drug, and other addiction services. The ADAMHSCC embraces the opportunity to provide innovative avenues for persons in recovery, and seeks to expand its continuum of services by offering Art Therapy resources to consumers.

Art therapy encourages self-expression, self-discovery and emotional growth. As a form of psychotherapy, art therapy often involves both the creation of art and the discovery of its meaning. Individuals are encouraged to visualize, and then create, the thoughts and emotions that they cannot talk about. According to the Art Therapy Alliance, “art therapy is the deliberate use of art-making to address psychological and emotional needs. Art therapy uses art media and the creative process to help in areas such as, but not limited to: fostering self-expression, enhancing coping skills, managing stress, and strengthening a sense of self.”

The ADAMHSCC is allocating $75,000 in funding effective October 1, 2014-June 30th, 2015 to fund art therapy programming. Applicants may apply for up to $37,500. It’s anticipated that (2) two grants will be awarded, (1) one to a primarily mental health provider and (1) one to a primarily alcohol and drug addiction provider.

Proposal Guidelines

Eligibility
☐ The applicant must be a non-profit or faith-based organization:
  • Non-profits must have 501(c) (3) status.
  • Staff working directly with consumers should hold the ATR (Registered Art Therapist) credential.
  • The project must impact adult (over 18) Cuyahoga County residents with a diagnosis of severe mental illness, or alcohol/chemical dependency.

Submission Requirements:
All required documents must be submitted electronically by email to: RFI@adamhsc.org

Note: In the event, your organization cannot submit electronically, hardcopy submissions will be considered. Deliver hardcopy submissions to:

William M. Denihan, Chief Executive Officer
Alcohol Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services Board of Cuyahoga County
2012 West 25th, 6th Floor
Cleveland, Ohio 44113
Please complete and attach the face sheet, included here.

**Page limits:** Narratives must be no longer than **5 pages, single sided, single spaced**. Font size must be twelve points with margins no less than one inch. You must use Microsoft Office Word 2003 or later for the program narrative.

**Proposal Narrative:** Please respond to each of the following points.

Describe your agency’s qualifications and experience in providing art therapy programming for behavioral health consumers, including staff credentials (10 pts.).

Describe the population to be served including ages, diagnoses, neighborhood of residence, gender, race, ethnicity and any language barriers. Explain your choice of this population based on a documented need or service gap (10 pts.)

Describe the art therapy program to be implemented including timeframe, hours of operation, location of activities, credentials of program staff, number of persons to be served and rationale and evidence base for your program approach, including evidence of the efficacy of art therapy with the target population (50 pts.)

State the measurable behavioral health outcomes to be achieved with participants as a result of their participation in your program. (20 pts.)

Discuss your plans for sustaining this program beyond the closeout of ADAMHSCC funding (10 pts.)

Attach a budget using the form below. Include a budget narrative which details the calculations for each line item, and justifying the need for the line item in the implementation of your program.
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PROVIDER INFORMATION

Agency Name:
Address:
Contact Person
Telephone #:
E-mail Address:

AUTHORIZATION

I hereby certify that my typed name below is my signature and that this RFP has been approved for submission by this Agency’s governing authority.

Executive Director / CEO
Date

Submission Deadline: August 22, 2014
Submit RFI Response by EMAIL to: RFI@adamhsc.org

Submissions received after the deadline will not be considered.

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