

Federal agencies, States, and communities. The Sig program has three goals: (1) Coordination of funding; (2) development of a comprehensive prevention State system; and (3) assistance to States in measuring progress in reducing substance use by establishing targets for measure included in the National Household Survey on Drug Abuse.

Eligibility: Offices of the Governor for states and territories that currently receive the Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block grant may apply. Eligible applicants are limited to: Governor of a state or territory; President of a territory that has a President; and the Chairman of the Tribal Council of the Red Lake Band of Chippewa. If you have received a SIG in FY 1997, 1998, 1999, or 2000 you may not apply.

Availability of Funds: Approximately \$28 million will be available for 8–12 awards. The average award will be approximately \$3 million per year in total costs (direct and indirect), with awards ranging from \$2 million to \$5 million. Actual funding levels will depend on the availability of funds, state population, problems identified in the National Household Survey on Drug Abuse and other factors.

Period of Support: Awards may be requested for up to 3 years. Annual continuation awards during this 3–year cycle will depend on the availability of funds and progress achieved by grantees.

Criteria for Review and Funding:
General Review Criteria: Competing applications requesting funding under this activity will be reviewed for technical merit in accordance with established PHS/SAMHSA peer review procedures. Review criteria that will be used by the peer review groups are specified in the application guidance material.

Award Criteria for Scored Applications: Applications will be considered for funding on the basis of their overall technical merit as determined through the peer review group and the appropriate National Advisory Council review process. Availability of funds will also be an award criteria. Additional award criteria specific to the programmatic activity may be included in the application guidance materials.

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number: 93.230.

Program Contact: For questions concerning program issues, contact: Dave Robbins or Patricia Getty, Division of State and Community Systems Development, Center for Substance Abuse Prevention, Substance Abuse and

Mental Health Services Administration, Rockwall II, Suite 930, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, (301) 443–0369, E-Mail drobbs@samhsa.gov Pgetty@samhsa.gov.

For questions regarding grants management issues, contact: Edna Frasier, Division of Grants Management, OPS, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Rockwall II, 6th Floor, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, Maryland 20857, (301) 443–6816, E-Mail: efrazier@samhsa.gov.

Public Health System Reporting Requirements: The Public Health System Impact Statement (PHSIS) is intended to keep State and local health officials apprised of proposed health services grant and cooperative agreement applications submitted by community-based nongovernmental organizations within their jurisdictions.

Community-based nongovernmental service providers who are not transmitting their applications through the State must submit a PHSIS to the head(s) of the appropriate State and local health agencies in the area(s) to be affected not later than the pertinent receipt date for applications. This PHSIS consists of the following information:

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Executive Order 12372: Applications submitted in response to the FY 2001

activity listed above are subject to the intergovernmental review requirements of Executive Order 12372, as implemented through DHHS regulations at 45 CFR Part 100. E.O. 12372 sets up a system for State and local government review of applications for Federal financial assistance. Applicants (other than Federally recognized Indian tribal governments) should contact the State's Single Point of Contact (SPOC) as early as possible to alert them to the prospective application(s) and to receive any necessary instructions on the State's review process. For proposed projects serving more than one State, the applicant is advised to contact the SPOC of each affected State. A current listing of SPOCs is included in the application guidance materials. The SPOC should send any State review process recommendations directly to: Division of Extramural Activities, Policy, and Review, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Parklawn Building, Room 17–89, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, Maryland 20857.

The due date for State review process recommendations is no later than 60 days after the specified deadline date for the receipt of applications. SAMHSA does not guarantee to accommodate or explain SPOC comments that are received after the 60-day cut-off.

Dated: March 2, 2001.

Richard Kopanda,

Executive Officer, SAMHSA.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

Fiscal Year (FY) 2001 Funding Opportunities

AGENCY: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), HHS.

ACTION: Notice of funding availability.

SUMMARY: The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Center for Mental Health Services (CMHS) announces the availability of FY 2001 funds for grants for the following activity. This notice is not a complete description of the activity; potential applicants must obtain a copy of the Guidance for Applicants (GFA), including Part I, Grants for Statewide Consumer Networks, and Part II, General Policies and Procedures Applicable to all

SAMHSA Applications for Discretionary Grants and Cooperative

Agreements, before preparing and submitting an application.

Activity	Application deadline	Est. funds FY 2001	Est no. of awards	Project period
Grants for Statewide Consumer Networks	May 4, 2001	\$1,500,000	25	3 years.

The actual amount available for the award may vary, depending on unanticipated program requirements and the number and quality of applications received. FY 2001 funds for the activity discussed in this announcement were appropriated by the Congress under Public Law No. 106-310. SAMHSA's policies and procedures for peer review and Advisory Council review of grant and cooperative agreement application were published in the **Federal Register** (Vol. 58, No. 126) on July 2, 1993.

General Instructions

Applicants must use application form PHS 5161-1 (Rev. 7/00). The application kit contains the two-part application materials (complete programmatic guidance and instructions for preparing and submitting applications), the PHS 5161-1 which includes Standard Form 424 (Face Page), and other documentation and forms. Application kits may be obtained from: National Mental Health Services Knowledge Exchange, Network (KEN), PO Box 42490, Washington, DC 20015, Telephone: 1-800-789-2647.

The PHS 5161-1 application form and the full text of the activity are also available electronically via SAMHSA's World Wide Web Home Page: <http://www.samhsa.gov>

When requesting an application kit, the applicant must specify the particular activity for which detailed information is desired. All information necessary to apply, including where to submit applications and application deadline instructions, are included in the application kit.

Purpose: The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Center for Mental Health Services (CMHS) announces the availability of Fiscal Year 2001 funds for implementing Grants for Statewide Consumer Networks. These will support State level consumer networks—organizations to manage a set of activities that will assist consumers to participate in the development of policies, programs, and quality assurance activities related to mental health. The program goals are: (1) Foster leadership and management skills; (2) engage consumers; (3) strengthen organizational relationships; and (4)

identify and implement technical assistance needs.

Eligibility: Nonprofit entities that meet all of the following requirements are eligible to apply: Controlled and managed by mental health consumers; dedicated to the improvement of mental health services statewide; in existence as an operating organization for more than one year at the time of the receipt date for this GFA; and have a board of directors comprised of more than 50% consumers.

Availability of Funds: Approximately \$1,500,000 will be available for approximately 25 awards. Individual awards should be no more than \$60,000 in total cost (direct and indirect). Actual funding levels will depend upon the availability of funds.

Period of Support: Support may be requested for a period of up to three years. Annual continuation awards will be made subject to continued availability of funds and progress achieved.

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20857, (301) 443-3653, E-Mail: rfox@samhsa.gov.

Questions on grants management issues should be directed to: Gwen Simpson, Division of Grants Management, OPS, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 13-105, Rockville, MD 20857, (301) 443-4456, E-Mail: gsimpson@samhsa.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4649-N-11]

Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Comment Request, Disaster Recovery Grant Reporting (DRGR) System

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for

review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

DATES: *Comments Due Date:* May 7, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: Reports Liaison Officer, Sheila E. Jones, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW, Room 7230, Washington, DC 20410.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jan C. Opper, Senior Program Officer, Office of Block Grant Assistance, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh St., SW, Washington, DC 20410; telephone number (202) 708-3587. Persons with hearing or speech impairments may access this number via TTY by calling the Federal Information Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. FAX inquiries may be sent to Mr. Opper at (202) 401-2044. (Except for the "800" number, these telephone numbers are not toll-free.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department is submitting the proposed information collection to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended).

This Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affecting agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

This Notice also lists the following information:

Title of Proposal: Disaster Recovery Grant Reporting (DRGR) System.

OMB Control Number, if applicable: 2506-0165.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: HUD requires that grantees submit quarterly reports to the Department on the use of HUD Community Development Block

Grant (CDBG) disaster recovery funds (a.k.a. HUD Disaster Recovery Initiative). This information must be submitted to HUD no later than 30 days following each calendar quarter. HUD uses the information to submit quarterly reports to the Congress that are required by Public Laws 105-18, 105-174, and 105-277. The reports to Congress must cover the use of grant funds, especially those for or associated with buyouts.

This reporting also meets the requirement that cities, counties, and states must submit a performance report on the use of CDBG disaster recovery funds in accordance with 42 U.S.C. 5304(e) and 24 CFR 91.520 no later than 90 days following the end of each 12 month period.

Agency form numbers, if applicable: Not applicable. This is a computerized data system operating on the worldwide web.

Members of affected public: State and local governments.

Estimation of the total numbers of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of responses, frequency of response, and hours of response:

Number of respondents—about 160;
Frequency of response—quarterly per grantee;

Hours of response—128 hours annually per grantee (116 hours for record keeping; 12 hours for reporting).

Status of the proposed information collection: Reinstatement.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: March 1, 2001.

Donna M. Abbenante,

Acting General Deputy Assistant Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4666-N-01]

Waiver of Regulations Issued by HUD; Clarification of Authority During Transition Period

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, HUD.

ACTION: Statement of policy.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this statement of policy is to clarify the scope of persons authorized to waive regulations under an earlier statement of policy published in the **Federal Register** on April 22, 1991.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 8, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Aaron Santa Anna, Assistant General