

Health, Human and Social Services Committee
Mental Health/Office of Community Services

AGENDA

7/29/19

Committee Members: Chairwoman Frasier
 Supervisor McDevitt
 Supervisor Braymer
 Supervisor Leggett
 Supervisor Loeb
 Supervisor Driscoll
 Supervisor Hyde
 Supervisor Magowan
 Supervisor Sokol

I. Action Agenda/New Business

1. Informational: Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) Grant opportunity – Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Program: Partnerships to Support Data-driven Responses to Emerging Drug Threats

2. Program Updates
 - a) Jail-based Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Treatment Services
 - b) Jail-based Transition Release Coordination Services (ABLE Program)
 - c) DSRIP-funded non-medical transportation program (Uplift)

II. Motion to adjourn

Attachments:

Program update information



BJA's Comprehensive

Opioid Abuse

Program



State Justice Institute

Bureau of Justice Assistance's Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Program

Rural Responses to the Opioid Epidemic Grant

Funding Announcement

The **Rural Responses to the Opioid Epidemic Grant** is designed to leverage the combined resources and expertise of the BJA, CDC, SJI, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, and other federal partners to reduce the morbidity and mortality associated with opioid overdoses among individuals who come in contact with law enforcement or are involved in the criminal justice system in high-risk rural communities and regions. Applications should demonstrate an understanding of the dynamic nature of substance abuse. All proposed activities supported by this solicitation must exclusively target populations residing in rural communities or rural census tracts in urban or suburban counties.

Overview of Solicitation

The **Rural Responses to the Opioid Epidemic Grant** solicitation is part of a series of demonstration projects funded under the Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Program (COAP). These demonstration projects are designed to build capacity, foster cross-sector collaboration, and support innovation. The solicitation is part of a series of solicitations to support national demonstration collaborations to build local capacity and support innovation. Under this solicitation, up to eight rural communities or regions will be selected for an award of up to \$750,000 each for a 24-month time period.

The solicitation can be found at <http://s.iir.com/RRgrantform2019>.

Applications are due on July 26, 2019.

Eligibility

Applicants are limited to units of local government, federally recognized Indian tribal governments, units of local governmental on behalf of a multicounty region within a state, and nonprofit or for-profit organizations, including tribal nonprofit organizations, faith-based, and community-based organizations with a documented history of providing services to rural communities or regions highly impacted by substance use disorder. All recipients and subrecipients (including any for-profit organization) must forgo any profit or management fee. Applicants must verify that the proposed service areas or census tracts to be served are rural as defined by HRSA by referring to <http://datawarehouse.hrsa.gov/RuralAdvisor>.

Applicant Webinar

Learn more about the **Rural Responses to the Opioid Epidemic Grant** and application process during the upcoming webinar, scheduled for **June 26, 2019, at 2:30 p.m., ET**. Register here: http://s.iir.com/Rural_Responses. Please submit questions in advance to COAP@iir.com no later than **June 25, 2019**. Emails should include the name and agency of the submitter, his or her email address, and the question(s).

About BJA

BJA helps to make American communities safer by strengthening the nation's criminal justice system. Its grants, training and technical assistance, and policy development services provide state, local, and tribal governments with the cutting-edge tools and best practices they need to reduce violent and drug-related crime, support law enforcement, and combat victimization. To learn more about BJA, visit www.bja.gov, or follow us on Facebook (www.facebook.com/DOJBJA) and Twitter (@DOJBJA). BJA is part of the U.S. Department of Justice's Office of Justice Programs.



A.B.L.E Fact Sheet

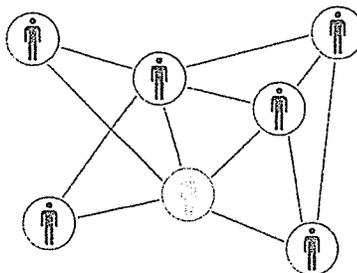
Who are we?

A.B.L.E (Access to Better Living Experiences) is a program set up to help those incarcerated or at risk of being incarcerated. The program offers case management services directed towards those with substance abuse and mental illness. A.B.L.E understands the desire for a better life is there but many struggle to navigate the services in the community that can help them get to a better life. A.B.L.E is partnership between the Baywood Center, Warren & Washington County Association of Mental Health, Office of Community Services, and Adirondack Health Institute.

What do we do?

After referral, a needs assessment will be completed with the client to see what services will help them be successful upon release from jail. Initial set up to these services will also begin in hopes to connect them as soon as possible after release. A.B.L.E firmly believes that helping clients connect quickly will help reduce the rate of relapse, decline in mental/emotional health, and repeat incarceration. A.B.L.E can help connect clients to many services including:

- Access to food
- Housing Options
- Treatment
- Transportation
- Employment
- Temporary Assistance
- Health Care



How to access

A.B.L.E.

Referral forms are preferred however if you do not have a referral form you can contact 518-798-4221. Anyone can refer a client to this program however most are referred through the jail staff, lawyers, or judges. Referrals must have a substance abuse or a mental health diagnosis, express a desire to work through substance abuse/mental health, and have a need to be connected to services that will help them be successful during the transition out of incarceration or while awaiting sentencing.



UPLIFT

WARREN WASHINGTON

A Ride Back To Health

What is Uplift?

An innovations grant funded program designed to help individuals with post-hospitalization (both inpatient and ER) transportation needs. The goal is to prevent avoidable hospital readmissions by increasing access to services and follow up care promoting preventive health.

Who qualifies for Services?

- The participant has to have had a hospitalization or ER visit within the last 30 days.
- The participant must reside within Warren or Washington county.

What needs would qualify for transportation?

- Medical Appointments when Medicaid transportation cannot accommodate it or has been denied if the participant has Medicaid.
- To obtain prescriptions or medical equipment.
- Immediate need for access to food (to grocery store or food pantry).
- Department of Social Services appointments
- Care/Case Management appointments.
- Participation in Community Based Support Groups.
- **other needs at the discretion of the Transportation Coordinator**

What kind of transportation is available?

- bus passes/tokens
- taxi vouchers
- gas cards

We will provide transportation methods depending on the participant's immediate needs and best interest.

How do you place a referral?

You or the participant can contact Cassandra Fleury, Transportation Coordinator either at 518-320-6692 or by email, upliftwarrenwashington@gmail.com. Uplift will be available on UniteUs as well for referral. Cassandra will reach out to schedule a time to meet with the participant and complete the intake as well as determine which mode of transportation is appropriate, then provide the voucher to the individual. She will do home visits as well as meeting participants in the community as needed.