



DPHHS Data-Driven Prevention Initiative (DDPI) Mini-Grant Proposal

INTRODUCTION

Prescription Drug Overdose and Substance Use Disorder (SUD) is a growing concern in Montana, affecting individuals and families of all ages and economic backgrounds. Since 2000, more than 700 Montanans have died from an opioid overdose. An estimated 64,000 Montanans have a SUD, ninety percent of whom are not receiving treatment.

To address these issues, the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS) – Injury Prevention Program received funding in September of 2016 under the Data-Driven Initiative Prevention (DDPI) cooperative agreement from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

The DDPI Mini-Grant Proposal is to allocate funds to go back into the communities to fund ***Evidence-Based Youth Primary Prevention*** educational activities identify priorities to reduce prescription drug abuse and/or overdose deaths in Montana. These grants are to implement positive change related to drug overdose morbidity and mortality across Montana.

Priority to proposals striving to implement policy, environmental, or systems change strategies and emphasize evidence-based activity/event/projects that are sustainable or could build upon existing or future programs.

Examples of proposals could include, but are not limited to:

- Community coalition building/enhancement, particularly involving data analysis and evaluation indicators
- Development and implementation of an overdose fatality review committee to identify circumstances related to overdose fatalities that results in increased local interventions
- Development of a community strategic plan, including how data will be collected, utilized, and evaluated to identify relevant community interventions
- Development of a media event/plan for newly released prescribing guidelines, including how to increase adherence to prescribing guidelines within the prescriber community
- Electronic medical record enhancement, particularly for smaller practices that are not part of a large healthcare system
- Implement a program to dispense naloxone in emergency departments (funds cannot be used to directly cover the cost of the naloxone)
- Initiatives to support family/children services; but not direct services or treatment of care
- Support school education curriculum or expansion of naloxone policies/awareness in schools

The Montana – Injury Prevention Program will select grant recipients based on the merits of their completed requests and the potential impact of their projects.



ELIGIBILITY

Proposals will be accepted from:

- Tribal Health Departments entities within tribes focusing on prevention
- Local units of government (e.g., city and county health departments)
- Hospitals
- School districts
- Law Enforcement agencies
- Any other non-profit 501c3 organizations

NOTE: Grants will not be awarded to individuals.

PRIORITY

Funded requests will:

- Focus on policy, environmental or systems change
- Bring together a broad range of community members and institutions
- Include strategies that are evidence-based projects
- Be sustainable and do not require continual funding from the Montana DPHHS – Injury Prevention Program
- Include an evaluation component

The following types of activities **CANNOT** be purchased under this CDC grant opportunity:

- Direct purchase of medication, including naloxone, drop boxes or needles/syringes,
- No activities involving direct treatment or care of patients,
- Purchase of food or drinks; and/or
- Medication disposal bags

GRANT REQUIREMENTS

Groups receiving 2018 Mini-Grant Awards must:

- Complete a final project report, including the submission of a success story (newspaper articles, photos, awards may be included with final report).

GRANT AWARDS

1. There are (15) Mini-Grants of up to \$5,000 each awarded for a total of \$75,000 of funding available.
2. Awardees will be approved by Jeremy Brokaw, Injury Prevention Program Manager, jbrokaw@mt.gov (406) 444-4126.



PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS

- Complete the Montana DDPI Mini-Grant Application Form and submit by **(5:00 p.m. on Monday, March 26th, 2018)**. (*Proposals received after this date/time or incomplete will not be considered*).
- Funding decisions to Awardees will be announced by **Email (Friday, March 30th, 2018)**.
- A contract to all funded agencies must be signed and returned in **(Friday, April 6th, 2018)**.
- The projects will run from **(April 1st to September 1st, 2018)**.
- Project Evaluation Form will be due by **(Friday, November 30th, 2018)**.
- Awardees agree to at least one update per month on activity/event progress (via email, phone call or personal site visit by DPHHS – Injury Prevention Program – (Dana Geary or Alyssa McGhee).

Proposals no more than 7 pages in length and must be type written. Attachments may be included and **DO NOT** count in the 7 page limit; however, reviewers are not required to review attachments. Your proposal must include all required sections.

RETURN Proposals by mail or email to Dana Geary at the addresses listed below:

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If you have any questions about the grant application process, please contact either:
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Thank you!