

OPIOID ABATEMENT GRANT FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

APPLICATION INFORMATION –
EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS



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Who qualifies to apply for a grant?

Grant awards are limited to Political Subdivisions of the State of Oklahoma only.

Political subdivisions eligible to apply for grant funding this cycle are:

- K-12 School Districts
- Technology School Districts
- Institutes of Higher Education

Counties, Municipalities, Public Trusts, and Joint Applications will be eligible to apply in Spring 2027.



Technology School District Tiers

TIER NUMBER	POPULATION RANGE	PROPOSED MAXIMUM FUNDING	PROPOSED FUNDING PER YEAR (FOR 3-YEARS)
1	Up to 5,000	\$105,000	\$35,000
2	5,001-15,000	\$225,000	\$75,000
3	15,001 or more	\$450,000	\$150,000

Common Education School District Tiers

TIER NUMBER	POPULATION RANGE	PROPOSED MAXIMUM FUNDING	PROPOSED FUNDING PER YEAR (FOR 3-YEARS)
1	Up to 2,000	\$105,000	\$35,000
2	2,001-15,000	\$225,000	\$75,000
3	15,001 or more	\$450,000	\$150,000

Funding Tiers



Funding Tiers

Higher Education School District Tiers

TIER NUMBER	POPULATION RANGE	PROPOSED MAXIMUM FUNDING	PROPOSED FUNDING PER YEAR (FOR 3-YEARS)
1	Up to 5,000	\$105,00	\$35,000
2	5,001-15,000	\$225,000	\$75,000
3	15,001-25,000	\$450,000	\$150,000
4	25,000 or more	\$900,000	\$300,000



Funding Scope & Priority Strategies

What are the priority strategies?

They are the prioritized practices selected by the Opioid Abatement Board to maximize the impact of opioid abatement dollars in Oklahoma cities, counties, and school districts.

Why are they important?

Communities are strongly encouraged to use these strategies when planning and applying for the opioid abatement grant. The eight identified priority strategies focus on:

- Observed need of adoption in Oklahoma
- Able to be effectively implemented and produce outcomes in the 3-year grant period
- Represent both preventative and treatment options



Priority Strategies

The 8 priority strategies are:

- Contingency Management
- Family Skills Training
- Integrated Care
- Medications for Opioid Use Disorder (MOUD)
- Naloxone Distribution
- School-Based Prevention
- Supported Employment
- Supported Housing

EVIDENCE-BASED STRATEGIES FOR OPIOID ABATEMENT

Contingency management

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Contingency management is a substance use disorder treatment approach that **rewards clients for treatment and recovery-oriented behaviors** like negative drug screening results, adherence to medications for opioid use disorder (MOUD), and attendance and engagement in group therapy. Contingency management is primarily known for its effectiveness in treating stimulant use disorder, but evidence has also found it effective in promoting treatment adherence and recovery among individuals with opioid use disorder.¹

Overview of the models

There are two evidence-based contingency management models:

- **Prize-based or fishbowl model:** In a prize-based model, clients are rewarded for achieving incentivized behaviors by earning entries for random prize drawings of varying value. Prizes can include gift cards, items from an on-site prize cabinet, and non-monetary positive feedback, such as written affirmations.
- **Voucher-based model:** A voucher-based model assigns increasing monetary value to specific behaviors, such as a negative drug screening or treatment attendance. Voucher credits can be given to clients through reloadable debit cards or gift cards of increasing value.

Contingency management is most effective when rewards are **tangible, perceived as high value by clients, and provided immediately** after a client completes a desired behavior. Incentivized behaviors should be specific, able to be tracked objectively, and kept consistent between clients in the same program. Immediate, high-value rewards are key because contingency management is based on the principle that behaviors followed by positive outcomes are more likely to be repeated and can redirect the positive biochemical effects of substance use by associating positive emotions with recovery-oriented behaviors.²

Focus population

Contingency management is effective for populations including:³

- Patients receiving MOUD, to encourage adherence to MOUD and treatment attendance
- Individuals involved in the criminal legal system
- Clients participating in outpatient, intensive outpatient, or partial hospitalization programs

Contingency management **should not be provided with the sole intent of promoting abstinence from opioids.**⁴ Abstinence from opioids without the use of MOUD can increase patients' risk of fatal overdose if they resume using opioids.⁵ However, by providing contingency management to reinforce behaviors including abstinence from stimulants, attendance at treatment

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About us

Healthy Minds Policy Initiative is a nonprofit LLC contracted by the Oklahoma Office of the Attorney General to support the Oklahoma abatement grant program.





Timeline

Application Portal Opens: **October 01, 2026**



Application Portal Closes: **November 30, 2026**



Board Reviews Applications: **December – February 2027**



Grant award approvals and announcements: **March/April 2027**



2026 Application Questions



Questions?

Are funds awarded on a reimbursement basis or on a forward funding basis?

- Funds will be awarded on a forward funding basis.



Questions?

How will the funds be distributed?

- Quarterly Distributions.



Questions?

Are matching funds required?

- No



Questions?

What are the reporting requirements?

- At a minimum, quarterly.
- Reporting requirements and guidance can be found linked on our website.



Questions?

Can grant funds be used for salaries?

- Abatement funds for salaries must be directly tied to abatement efforts (treatment, education/prevention, criminal justice involved, recovery, harm reduction) and not for interdiction (patrol, investigation, and arrest activities)



Questions?

Are subgrants allowable?

- No. However, a grantee may contract for goods and/or services. The Grantee remains responsible for all aspects of compliance.



Questions?

What is the grant term?

- The Board expects 3 year project proposals for this round of awards.



Questions?

What is the percent of indirect costs can be budgeted into the grant?

- Indirect costs are permitted but may not exceed 5% of the total grant award. Indirect costs may be charged by the grantee as part of their oversight. However, in no case should contractors charge grantees for indirect costs.



Questions?

Can we hire a school nurse to service our students and community with grant funds?

- Possibly. Use of abatement funds for staff salaries would have to be directly tied to abatement efforts (treatment, education/prevention, criminal justice involved, recovery, harm reduction). Further, a political subdivision using abatement funds for staff may only do so by creating new positions or funding additional hours for existing staff that are directly related to opioid abatement services or programs created after January 1, 2015.



Questions?

Can a political subdivision submit multiple applications?

- No, but may propose multiple projects in one application.



Questions?

Is website development for purposes of connecting the public to treatment providers, as well as disseminating Prevention resources and promoting other Abatement strategies an authorized purpose?

- No



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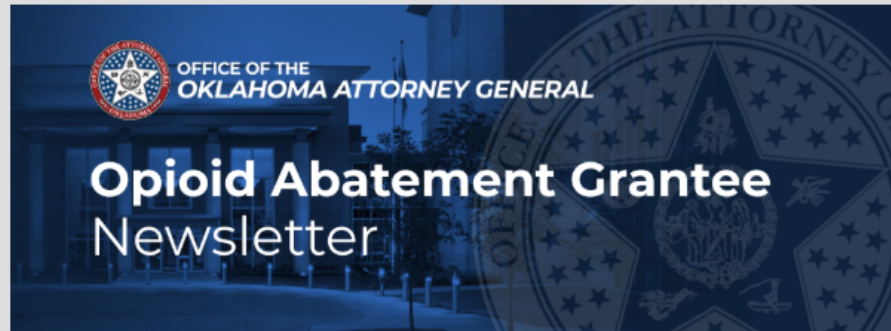
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Resources





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What's inside this month's email?

- Quarterly Report Reminders
- How to Write a Strong Quarterly Report Narrative
- Oklahoma Association of County Clerks Conference
- Priority Funding Strategy Highlight – Medications for Opioid Use Disorder
- Upcoming Events

ANNOUNCEMENTS

➤ Quarterly Report Reminders

Quarterly Report Due - July 31, 2026

- The next quarterly report is due July 31, 2026 for activities and expenses that occurred between April 01 and June 30, 2026.



Monthly Opioid Abatement Newsletter

- Program Announcements
- Reminders
- Funding Opportunities
- Upcoming Events



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