

# Bureau of Justice Assistance's Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Program (COSSAP) Tribal Responses to Drug Overdoses

## Grant Overview and Application

### Overview of Funding Opportunity

The United States is experiencing an epidemic of drug overdose deaths. In 2017, more than 70,000 Americans died from drug overdoses. At 192 people each day, this is more than the number of lives lost in car accidents or gun-related homicides. Communities across the United States have been impacted by drug overdoses and substance use disorder (SUD), and this is especially true in Indian Country.

The **Tribal Responses to Drug Overdoses** solicitation is designed to assist federally recognized tribes in identifying resource deployment strategies to reduce the morbidity and mortality associated with drug overdoses among individuals who come in contact with law enforcement or are involved in the criminal justice system. Tribes will have the implementation support from the combined resources and expertise of the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), along with other partners. This solicitation is part of a series of solicitations to support national demonstration collaborations to build local capacity and support innovation. Please see <https://www.cossapresources.org/Program/DemoProjects> for other initiatives released as part of the effort.

A key component of this initiative is to reduce drug overdose deaths by supporting adoption of Overdose Detection Mapping Application Program (ODMAP) to strengthen the ability of tribes to assess information gathered from public safety, public health, and behavioral health responses. Please see the next section to learn more about ODMAP and the privacy safeguards included in the system.

This initiative strives to enhance the ability of the selected tribes to implement tailored prevention and intervention activities to reduce overdose deaths and facilitate access to treatment and recovery services to survivors of nonfatal overdoses.

Under this solicitation, up to five tribal communities will be selected for an award of up to \$500,000 each for a 14-month time period. Applicants must use a portion of the funds awarded under this solicitation to implement ODMAP. Grant funds may be used to support the following activities:

- ◀ Strategic planning for the implementation of ODMAP with key partners, including, but not limited to, tribal leadership, public safety, public health, behavioral health, and community members.
- ◀ Adopting and implementing ODMAP.
- ◀ If applicable, integration of ODMAP into Tribal Access Program processes (<https://www.justice.gov/tribal/tribal-access-program-tap>) and/or into Tribal Action Planning strategies developed under TLOA (<https://www.justice.gov/tribal/tribal-law-and-order-act>).
- ◀ Analyzing ODMAP data to develop community-specific and culturally appropriate overdose prevention and intervention strategies.
- ◀ Implementing effective community-level overdose prevention and intervention activities.
- ◀ Enhancing tribal public health, behavioral health, and public safety collaborations, with a focus on scaling up promising interventions to reduce fatal and nonfatal overdoses.

## Overview of ODMAP

In 2017, the Washington/Baltimore High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) launched a free, user-friendly mobile tool, the Overdose Detection Mapping Application Program (ODMAP), which is available only to government entities serving the interests of public safety and/or public health. Each participating government entity signs an agreement that outlines access, data ownership, and guidelines for use. This participation agreement includes policies and procedures to protect privacy with further direction on operating procedures, information storage, dissemination, sharing, security, and compliance. As noted below, ODMAP includes general location data of suspected overdoses, but it does not provide specificity that identifies a precise residence, building, etc.

ODMAP can easily and quickly track suspected fatal and nonfatal overdoses and the administration of naloxone by first responders, to include law enforcement, fire, and emergency medical services (EMS) professionals.

The effective reporting of fatal and nonfatal overdose and naloxone administration can support prevention and intervention efforts by public health, behavioral health, and public safety agencies. This data can be used to:

- ◀ Identify overdose spikes and trend data at the local, regional, and national levels that guide public health, behavioral health, and public safety efforts.
- ◀ Prioritize outreach efforts to survivors of nonfatal overdoses and specific geographic areas most at risk.
- ◀ Assess the impact of prevention and intervention strategies.

ODMAP consists of a cloud/Web-based application that can be used on a smartphone or tablet to input incident location information that is then available in an online dashboard. Although not necessary to use ODMAP, an Application Programming Interface (API) is a popular method enabling ODMAP users to contribute data without creating additional reporting. The API allows a user's records management system (RMS) to share information with ODMAP.

The minimum data elements typically fed into ODMAP are:

- ◀ Date and time of the suspected overdose
- ◀ Location of the suspected overdose, which can be entered in three different ways, depending upon circumstances:

- Using the device's location (if entered on-scene)
  - Using coordinates
  - Using the address (address is geocoded, not retained or stored within ODMAP)
- ◀ Whether naloxone was administered or not and the corresponding dosage
  - ◀ Whether the suspected overdose was fatal or nonfatal

## Eligibility

Only federally recognized Indian tribal governments, as determined by the Secretary of the Interior, may apply. This includes Alaska Native villages and tribal consortia consisting of two or more federally recognized Indian tribes. Current COAP site-based grantees are eligible to apply.

## Applicant Requirements

We seek applicants that demonstrate the following:

1. **Willingness to form an organizational structure that includes, at a minimum, tribal leadership and public health, public safety, and behavioral health agency representatives that agree to work collaboratively on the proposed initiative.** The structure may vary, but tribal communities will want to consider the following organizational structure:
  - A leadership group to provide strategic oversight and guide decision making for this initiative. This group is recommended to meet monthly, on average.
  - A project workgroup tasked to achieve the goals of the project, including implementation and analysis of ODMAP information. This group will develop culturally appropriate overdose prevention and intervention strategies. It is recommended that this group meet on a monthly basis.
  - A community stakeholder group, recommended to meet quarterly, to ensure that the broader community perspectives are considered in the project.

Applicants are encouraged to use existing workgroups, where possible, such as a strategic planning team, a tribal council, or a coordinated tribal response team. The exact composition of the groups may vary by applicant. Competitive applications will include

representation from tribal agencies (where applicable), including:

- Indian health services and/or local hospitals or clinics
- Behavioral health or tribal substance misuse treatment authority
- Social and/or human services
- Prosecutor's office
- A local judicial officer
- Law enforcement agencies (tribal, BIA, and/or other local jurisdictions)
- Jail or detention center
- Probation, parole and/or community corrections/supervision, and reentry
- Emergency medical services/first responders
- Tribal school system/local school system
- Tribal extension office
- Transportation agencies
- Housing authority
- Local community college or other institution of higher learning, including land grant universities
- Cultural organizations
- Local chamber of commerce or local business community
- Indian child welfare/child protective services
- Medical examiner/coroner's office

Agencies serving on the workgroup may be located in nontribal communities or regions, but all activities supported by this program must exclusively support populations residing in tribal communities, and the composition of the workgroup, overall, must represent tribal entities within the applicant community.

2. **Capacity to support the level of coordination needed to effectively implement and sustain cross-disciplinary initiatives.** Initiatives supported by this funding opportunity will require a considerable administrative component, and a project coordinator is necessary to provide project management alignment. Applicants must identify an individual to serve as the

operational coordinator for the initiative, guiding the development of the project, formalizing processes to support cross-agency collaboration, and conducting outreach to stakeholders. The project coordinator must dedicate 50 percent of his or her time to this initiative. Because of the timeline of this project, applicants that identify an existing employee as the project coordinator will be given priority consideration so that project start-up time is minimized.

BJA anticipates that the project coordinator will:

- Guide the planning and implementation of the tribal initiative, including a comprehensive, cross-agency strategy for achieving the goals and the objectives of the initiative;
- Conduct outreach to tribal officials in key agencies to gain support for the formal development of the initiative;
- Cultivate and maintain effective partnerships with key tribal public health and behavioral health staff and tribal public safety and criminal justice staff to achieve the goals and objectives of the initiative, with a focus on cross-agency information-sharing;
- Coordinate and convene the executive leadership group, the project workgroup, and the community stakeholder group of the initiative and ensure follow-up to key action items and proposals;
- Guide the development, evaluation, and improvement of business processes, policies and procedures, and other protocols commonly associated with information management and data analysis;
- Maintain partnerships with internal and external partners such as other tribal or regional agencies; community organizations; advocacy groups; and nonprofit organizations, foundations, and private entities;
- Maintain awareness of other tribal-specific federal funding (e.g., the U.S. Department of Justice's Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation and the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Service Administration's Tribal Opioid Response grant) received in the region and work in collaboration with respective coordinators of those programs to ensure that activities are complementary and not duplicative;

- Establish a communication strategy to provide relevant policymakers and the community with information about the initiative;
  - Serve as the primary point of contact and provide written monthly progress reports to BJA via IIR;
  - Participate in a monthly phone call with project partners, including BJA, the CDC, and IIR;
  - Collect, share, and report performance measurement data on a quarterly basis; and
  - Document challenges in implementation and successful strategies developed.
3. **Commitment to adopting and implementing ODMAP.** For purposes of this solicitation, implementation of ODMAP by a tribal community is defined as capturing fatal and nonfatal overdoses identified by first responders. The most competitive applicants will demonstrate their capacity to contribute current data within 6 months of the grant award. It is anticipated that this will be accomplished through an API; however, the use of ODMAP’s cloud/Web-based smartphone or tablet application is acceptable if an API is not possible. There is no cost associated with the use of ODMAP, so funds will not need to be allocated for implementation except to the extent that funding is required to support an API from an existing data collection source, if applicable. Applicants may budget no more than \$50,000 to support the implementation of an API.

If an applicant cannot achieve the goal of implementation within 6 months, the applicant should identify the reasons why and define its proposed implementation timeline. Applicants that propose an implementation timeline of greater than one year will not be considered. Applicants should also demonstrate their capacity to provide timely information to ODMAP. The most competitive applicants will demonstrate their capacity to report incidents into ODMAP within 14 days from overdose.

4. **Commitment to establish public safety, public health, and behavioral health partnerships that use data collected through ODMAP to develop overdose prevention and intervention strategies. The most competitive applicants will demonstrate their capacity to develop and implement plans for sharing, analyzing, and responding to the data collected**

**in ODMAP.** Applicants should consider initiatives to establish or enhance capabilities to respond to spikes in overdoses and deploy outreach teams to follow up with individuals and/or populations at risk of overdose, particularly those who have just experienced a nonfatal overdose. Applicants should consider including some of the activities identified in the “Allowable Activities” section (see below) in their applications.

5. **Willingness for the project coordinator and up to two additional staff members to attend two face-to-face meetings of the selected demonstration sites over the course of the project and one additional national meeting over the course of the project.**
6. **Willingness to work directly with BJA, the CDC, and their consortium of national experts and technical assistance providers to deepen our collective understanding of effective intervention strategies in tribal communities.**

## Allowable Activities

To enhance the implementation of ODMAP, applicants may consider additional information to enhance capacity to prioritize, design, and implement prevention and intervention activities. This may include other public safety records (e.g., drug arrests, jail intake, drug testing, child welfare administrative responses, drug-related prosecutions) or public health and behavioral health records (e.g., emergency department admissions for suspected overdoses, substance use disorder treatment admissions).

Examples of funded outcome activities that may be considered include the following:

- ◀ Establish a coordinated rapid response team to respond to spikes in overdoses or overdose-related deaths.
- ◀ Support outreach teams to follow up with individuals at risk of overdose, particularly those who have just experienced nonfatal overdoses.
- ◀ Increase and support the use of school-based prevention programs that are evidence-based to prevent misuse of drugs.
- ◀ Enhance individual, caregiver, and community education and engagement by educating people on the risks and side effects of substance use disorder.
- ◀ Establish court-based intervention programs or family court programming to prioritize and expedite services

to court-involved individuals at high risk for overdose. Please see examples at <http://wellnesscourts.org>.

- ◀ Improve the availability and coordination of transportation services to connect residents to recovery and other support services.
- ◀ Provide transitional or recovery housing as part of a comprehensive response strategy.
- ◀ Develop recovery communities, recovery coaches, and recovery community organizations to expand the availability of and access to recovery support services.
- ◀ Establish an overdose fatality review team or enhance an existing overdose fatality review team.
- ◀ Conduct rapid assessment to quickly gather data in response to a question or crisis requiring timely intervention, such as a spike in overdoses.
- ◀ Collaborate with medical examiners or coroners to expedite access to preliminary data on suspected overdose deaths prior to forensic toxicology data.

Applicants should also consider the types of prevention and intervention activities that may benefit their communities.

The data collected and analyzed in the first phase of the project will help applicants prioritize their activities, which may be shaped by tribal focus and priorities.

## Selection Criteria

IIR is committed to ensuring a fair and open process for making awards. Submitting a project proposal will not guarantee project funding. All applications will undergo a peer review process by IIR staff members and culturally competent peer reviewers, with final review and approval by BJA and CDC. All selection decisions are final. BJA reserves the right to make any final decisions regarding all subawards.

Applicants will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

### Statement of the Problem (10 percent of score)

The applicant should describe its current drug environment based on existing data, the challenges motivating the jurisdiction to participate in the initiative, the need for federal funds, and any alignment between the proposed project and existing strategic plans or initiatives.

## Leadership and Commitment (40 percent of score)

The applicant should describe the lead agency (or agencies) for this initiative and why the agency is best suited to lead this effort.

Applicants should also describe their proposed plans for forming an organizational structure that includes, at a minimum, tribal leadership and public health, public safety, and behavioral health agency representatives who agree to work collaboratively on the proposed initiative. The organizational structure may vary, although the following structure is recommended:

- ◀ An executive leadership group to provide strategic oversight and execute decision-making authority for this initiative. This group is expected to meet monthly, on average
- ◀ A project workgroup that will meet at least monthly to achieve the goals of the project, including analysis of ODMAP data and development of overdose prevention and intervention strategies
- ◀ A community stakeholder group that will meet quarterly, at a minimum, to ensure that the broader community perspectives are considered in the project

NOTE: Tribes that demonstrate that they have an existing interagency body, such as a criminal justice coordinating council or another body with demonstrated capacity and willingness to plan across the criminal justice, public health and behavioral health continuum, will receive priority consideration.

The applicant should describe the background and qualifications of the proposed project coordinator and the current duties assigned to this individual if he or she is an existing staff member.

NOTE: Communities that propose a project coordinator already employed by the lead agency will be given priority consideration.

Finally, each applicant must agree to work directly with IIR, BJA, and the CDC and their consortium of national experts and technical assistance providers.

## Project Plan (40 percent of score)

Applicants should describe their capacity to adopt ODMAP within 6 months of the award. If an applicant cannot achieve this goal, the applicant should identify the reasons why and define its proposed implementation timeline. Applicants that propose an implementation timeline of greater than a year will not be considered.

Applicants should define the anticipated time frame between an overdose event and the data being fed into ODMAP, either through the cloud/Web-based smartphone and tablet application or API. The most competitive applicants will demonstrate their capacity to feed data into ODMAP within 14 days from overdose.

Applicants should describe their capacity to establish public safety, public health, and behavioral health partnerships that can use ODMAP data to identify effective overdose prevention and intervention strategies.

Applicants should identify potential overdose prevention and intervention activities they can implement in their communities.

## Project Budget (10 percent of score)

Budgets should be complete, cost-effective, and allowable (e.g., reasonable, allocable, and necessary for project activities). Budget narratives should demonstrate cost-effectiveness in relation to potential alternatives and the goals of the project. Funds under this notice cannot be used to acquire real property (including vehicles and housing) or for construction.

Each applicant should budget for the project coordinator and up to two additional staff members to attend two face-to-face meetings of the selected demonstration sites over the course of the project. Applicants should budget as follows:

- ◀ Kick-off meeting: Budget for the project coordinator and up to two additional staff members to attend the kick-off meeting, which is anticipated to be 2.5 days in length, including travel time, and will be held in Washington, DC.
- ◀ Meeting 2: Budget for the project coordinator and up to two additional staff members to attend the second meeting, which is anticipated to be three days in length,

including travel time, and will be held in Washington, DC. This meeting are designed to promote information sharing and discuss challenges and successes across the sites.

In addition to two in-person demonstration site meetings, applicants should budget for three staff members to attend one additional national meeting over the course of the project. For budgeting purposes, the one additional meeting should be budgeted for four days in length, including travel time, and should be budgeted based on the per diem associated with Washington, DC.

## Mandatory Project Narrative

Responses to the narrative question must be submitted via the attached PDF form (see page 10) by 5:00 p.m., ET, on June 5, 2020. All other required documents must be submitted via email to [COSSAP@iir.com](mailto:COSSAP@iir.com).

## Additional Mandatory Application Requirements

### Budget and Associated Documentation

The Budget Detail Worksheet is a user-friendly, fillable, Microsoft Excel-based document designed to calculate totals. In addition, the Excel workbook contains worksheets for multiple budget years that can be completed as necessary. All applicants should use the Excel version when completing the proposed budget in an application, except in cases where the applicant does not have access to Microsoft Excel or experiences technical difficulties. If an applicant does not have access to Microsoft Excel or experiences technical difficulties with the Excel version, the applicant should use the 508-compliant accessible Adobe Portable Document Format (PDF) version. The Budget Detail Worksheet can be accessed at [https://www.cossapresources.org/Content/Documents/Funding/budget\\_detail\\_worksheet.xlsx](https://www.cossapresources.org/Content/Documents/Funding/budget_detail_worksheet.xlsx).

The Budget Detail Worksheet should provide the detailed computation for each budget line item, listing the total cost of each and showing how it was calculated by the applicant. For example, costs for personnel should show the annual salary rate and the percentage of time devoted to the project for each employee paid with federal funds. The Budget Detail Worksheet should present a complete itemization of all proposed costs.

For questions pertaining to budget and examples of allowable and unallowable costs, see the DOJ Grants Financial Guide at <https://ojp.gov/financialguide/DOJ/index.htm>. The budget summary page must reflect the amounts in the budget categories as included in the Budget Detail Worksheet. These amounts should mirror the amounts in the Budget Narrative.

This document should be emailed to [COSSAP@iir.com](mailto:COSSAP@iir.com).

## Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (if applicable)

Indirect costs may be charged to an award only if:

- a. The recipient has a current (unexpired), federally approved indirect cost rate; or
- b. The recipient is eligible to use, and elects to use, the de minimis indirect cost rate described in the Part 200 Uniform Requirements, as set out at 2 CFR 200.414(f).

An applicant with a current (unexpired) federally approved indirect cost rate must attach a copy of the indirect cost rate agreement to the application. An applicant that does not have a current federally approved rate may request one through its cognizant federal agency, which will review all documentation and approve a rate for the applicant entity, or, if the applicant's accounting system permits, applicants may propose to allocate costs in the direct cost categories.

Certain OJP recipients have the option of electing to use the de minimis indirect cost rate. An applicant that is eligible to use the de minimis rate and wishes to use the de minimis rate should attach written documentation to the application that advises OJP of both (1) the applicant's eligibility to use the de minimis rate and (2) its election to do so. If an eligible applicant elects the de minimis rate, costs must be consistently charged as either indirect or direct costs but may not be double-charged or inconsistently charged as both. The de minimis rate may no longer be used once an approved federally negotiated indirect cost rate is in place. (No entity that ever has had a federally approved negotiated indirect cost rate is eligible to use the de minimis rate.) For the de minimis rate requirements (including information on eligibility to elect to use the rate), see the Part 200 Uniform Requirements at 2 CFR 200.414(f).

This document should be emailed to [COSSAP@iir.com](mailto:COSSAP@iir.com).

## Letters of Support and/or Memoranda of Understanding/Agreement (Required)

Applicants should attach letters of support from tribal leadership and/or an interagency agreement between partner agencies to show commitment to participate in the project. The letters of interagency agreement should clearly articulate the level of involvement each agency will have in the proposed project.

Provide a scanned copy of a letter of commitment that is dated and signed. Each letter of commitment must identify the agency's roles and responsibilities in the project, the activities in which it will be included, how the agency's expertise is pertinent to the project, and length of commitment to the project. The letter also must include a statement indicating that each proposed or existing agency understands that:

- ◀ The funding award is to be used for the activities proposed in the work plan;
- ◀ The activities must exclusively benefit populations in the target tribal service area; and
- ◀ The award is not to be used for the exclusive benefit of any one agency.

See the sample letter of support at [https://www.cossapresources.org/Content/Documents/Funding/sample\\_letter\\_of\\_support.docx](https://www.cossapresources.org/Content/Documents/Funding/sample_letter_of_support.docx), for additional guidance.

This document/these documents should be emailed to [COSSAP@iir.com](mailto:COSSAP@iir.com).

## Work Plan (Required)

Attach a work plan with a start date of August 1, 2020. The work plan should be laid out as a table and contain the following elements:

- ◀ Activities: All activities should be included in the work plan.
- ◀ Responsible workgroup and staff members: For each activity on the work plan, identify the organization and/or staff member responsible for carrying out the activity; and
- ◀ Timeline: Outline the specific time period during which the activity will occur.

The work plan should contain all required elements including grantee meetings, leadership and project workgroup meetings, monthly collaborative calls, reporting requirements, etc. The following is an example work plan.

See the sample work plan at [https://www.cossapresources.org/Content/Documents/Funding/sample\\_table.docx](https://www.cossapresources.org/Content/Documents/Funding/sample_table.docx), for additional guidance.

This document should be emailed to [COSSAP@iir.com](mailto:COSSAP@iir.com).

## Applicant Certification (Required)

The applicant agency must provide a statement of assurance signed by the authorized representative of the applicant organization stating that:

- ◀ Federal funds made available through this award will not be used to supplant state, local, or tribal funds but will be used to increase the amounts of such funds that would, in the absence of federal funds, be made available for the activities addressed in the application.
- ◀ There has been appropriate coordination with all affected agencies.
- ◀ The project coordinator will agree to work with BJA, the CDC, and their representatives as well as IIR and selected BJA COSSAP training and technical assistance providers.

This document should be emailed to [COSSAP@iir.com](mailto:COSSAP@iir.com).

## Accounting System and Financial Capability Questionnaire (Required)

All applicants must download, complete, and submit this form: <http://ojp.gov/funding/Apply/Resources/FinancialCapability.pdf>. This document should be emailed to [COSSAP@iir.com](mailto:COSSAP@iir.com).

## Post-Award Requirements

### Monthly Collaborative Calls

The recipient of the funds will be required to have the project coordinator participate in a monthly call with BJA policy advisors, CDC staff members, and the IIR project manager. These calls will last no more than 1.5 hours. Additional staff members may choose to participate.

## Financial and Programmatic Reporting

Recipients of funds under this solicitation will be required to submit monthly progress reports, quarterly financial reports, quarterly performance measures, final financial and progress reports, and, if applicable, an annual audit report in accordance with the Part 200 Uniform Requirements or specific award conditions. Future awards and fund drawdowns may be withheld if reports are delinquent.

## Confidentiality and Human Subjects Protection

Any recipient of an award under this solicitation will be required to comply with the U.S. Department of Justice regulations on confidentiality and human services' protection. See the "Requirements Related to Research" (<https://www.ojp.gov/funding/explore/legaloverview2020/researchrelatedrequirements>) Web page of the "Overview of Legal Requirements Generally Applicable to OJP Grants and Cooperative Agreements" (<https://www.ojp.gov/funding/explore/legal-overview-fy-2020-awards>) for additional information. All funded applicants will be required to provide documentation of compliance with this requirement prior to commencing data collection.

## Applicable Federal Laws and Regulations

All awards are subject to the availability of appropriated funds and to any modifications or additional requirements that may be imposed by law. Applicants selected for awards must agree to comply with additional legal requirements upon acceptance of an award. Additional information for each requirement can be found at <https://ojp.gov/funding/index.htm>.

## Applicant Resources

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Indian Health Service (IHS), Pain and Opioid Use Disorder: <https://www.ihs.gov/opioids>.

National Congress of American Indians (NCAI), Opioid Initiative: <http://www.ncai.org/initiatives/partnerships-initiatives/ncai-opioid-initiative>.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Injury Prevention Among American Indian and Alaska Native Communities: <https://www.cdc.gov/injury/fundedprograms/tribal.html>.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Tribal Health: <https://www.cdc.gov/tribal/index.html>.

Tribal Epidemiology Centers: <https://tribalepicenters.org>.

Washington/Baltimore HIDTA Overdose Detection Mapping Application Program (ODMAP): ODMAP provides near real-time suspected overdose data across jurisdictions to support public safety and public health efforts to mobilize an immediate response to a sudden increase, or spike, in overdose events. <http://odmap.org>.

## Applicant Process

**Apply online:** <http://s.iir.com/yFhB4JUu>

**Applicant webinar:** A webinar about the Tribal Responses to Drug Overdoses Grant and the application process was held on March 26, 2020, at 2:00 p.m., ET. The applicant webinar included a presentation about ODMAP that focused on providing a complete overview of the capabilities of ODMAP and the implementation process. A recording of the webinar is available at <http://s.iir.com/TribalResponsesGrantWebinar>. A PDF version of the PowerPoint presentation that was used during the webinar is available at <http://s.iir.com/TribalResponsesPPT>.

**Applications due:** June 5, 2020

**Review of applications:** June 8, 2020 through July 10, 2020

**Notification of awards and projects begin:** August 1, 2020

## Application Checklist

- \_\_\_\_\_ Tribal Responses to Drug Overdoses Application Form (see page 10)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Budget Detail Worksheet (see page 6)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (if applicable) (see page 7)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Workplan (see page 7)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Letters of support (see page 7)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Applicant certification (see page 8)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Accounting System and Financial Capability Questionnaire (see page 8)

All supporting documents and attachments should be emailed to [COSSAP@iir.com](mailto:COSSAP@iir.com).

# Bureau of Justice Assistance's Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Program (COSSAP) Tribal Responses to Drug Overdoses

## Application

### Submission Deadline

Applications for the Tribal Responses to Drug Overdoses Grant Program are due by 5:00 p.m., ET, on June 5, 2020. Please complete this application form and save your responses. Then email a copy of the completed form, along with any required documents or attachments, to [COSSAP@ijr.com](mailto:COSSAP@ijr.com). A free download of Adobe Acrobat Reader can be found at <https://get.adobe.com/reader>.

### Questions

Should you have any questions about the application process or issues with submission, please send an email to [COSSAP@ijr.com](mailto:COSSAP@ijr.com), and we will do our best to respond promptly.

## Applicant Information

Applicant organization

Applicant organization website, if applicable

Applicant jurisdiction (tribal government name)

Employer Identification Number

Type of applicant

Identify the proposed tribal community to be served in this project. Applicants are responsible for ensuring that they have verified that the proposed service areas to be served are tribal.

## Primary Contact for Matters Related to This Application

First name

Last name

Job title

Phone number

Email address

Street address

City,

State

ZIP code

## Related Project Funding

Please indicate the amount of any funding you currently receive from each of the following sources that is relevant to this application.

Federal funding

BJA funding

SAMHSA funding

CDC funding

CTAS funding

USDA funding

HRSA funding

State funding

Local funding

Philanthropic funding

Other funding

## Project Narrative

Please thoroughly answer the Project Narrative questions below. You may copy and paste your responses from other documents into the text boxes. There are no word limits for the responses.

### Statement of the Problem (10 percent of your score)

**Question 1:** Provide a description of the target tribal service area, including the specific community to be served as well as the demographics, population size, and current drug environment of the community or region.

**Question 2:** What challenges are motivating your interest in participating in this demonstration project? What makes now an opportune time to engage in this initiative?

**Question 3:** Provide information on the availability of existing SUD-related programs and services within the targeted tribal service area and existing SUD-related initiatives (e.g., federal, state, tribal, or regional funded programs). Describe the gaps and needs in SUD prevention, intervention, and recovery support services in the tribal service area.

### Leadership and Commitment (40 percent of your score)

**Question 4:** Which will be the lead agency (or agencies) for this initiative, and why is this agency best suited to lead this effort? Describe any existing collaborations between the lead agency (or agencies) and other tribal public health, behavioral health, and public safety agencies to support SUD-related prevention and intervention activities.

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**Question 5:** Describe the background and current duties of the proposed project coordinator and whether the project coordinator is an existing employee of the applicant community. If the project coordinator will be hired post-award, please provide a job description for the project coordinator position and a proposed timeline for hiring.

NOTE: Communities that propose a project coordinator who is already employed by the lead agency and experienced in leading multidisciplinary workgroups will be given priority consideration for funding.

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**Question 6:** Describe how the proposed project will be integrated into your community's existing interdisciplinary criminal justice planning group (e.g., criminal justice coordinating council). List existing and/or proposed workgroup members to support the project. Members may come from tribal law enforcement, public health, behavioral health, courts, hospitals, schools, health clinics, etc.

NOTE: Applicants that demonstrate an existing coordinating body such as a criminal justice coordinating council or another body with demonstrated capacity and willingness to plan across the criminal justice, public health, and behavioral health continuum will receive priority consideration for funding.

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**Question 7:** Indicate your willingness to collaborate with BJA; the CDC; IIR; BJA's training and technical assistance providers, including Washington/Baltimore HIDTA; and other federal agencies so that BJA can deepen its understanding of effective tribal public safety, behavioral health, and public health collaboration strategies. In your answer, indicate your commitment to:

- ◀ Ensuring that the project coordinator participates in monthly calls with staff from BJA, the CDC, IIR, and other selected TTA providers.
- ◀ Sending a team (project coordinator and two additional staff members) to attend two face-to-face meetings of the selected demonstration sites and attend one additional national meeting over the course of the project.

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### Project Plan (40 percent of your score)

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**Question 8:** Describe your community's capacity to adopt and implement ODMAP within 6 months of the award. Implementation is defined as capturing fatal and nonfatal overdoses identified by first responders. The most competitive applicants will demonstrate their capacity to contribute current data within 6 months of the grant award. It is anticipated that this will be accomplished through an API; however, the use of ODMAP's cloud/Web-based smartphone or tablet application is acceptable if an API is not possible. If you cannot achieve the goal of implementation within 6 months, identify the reason why and define your proposed implementation timeline. Applicants that propose an implementation timeline of greater than 12 months will not be considered.

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**Question 9:** Define the anticipated time frame between an overdose event and the data being fed into ODMAP, either through the cloud/Web-based smartphone and tablet application or API. The most competitive applicants will demonstrate their capacity to feed data into ODMAP within 14 days from overdose.

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**Question 10:** Describe your capacity to establish public safety, public health, and behavioral health partnerships that can use ODMAP and other data.

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**Question 11:** Describe potential overdose prevention and intervention activities that have the potential to reduce overdose deaths in your community.

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**Question 12:** Describe any potential barriers to implementing this project and the strategies that will be used to overcome those barriers.

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