

Frequently Asked Questions

Screening Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) Health Professions Student Training

SBIRT-Student Training TI-15-001

Question 1: When are the applications due?

Applications are due by **11:59 PM** (Eastern Time) on **March 27, 2015**. (RFA: Section III.1, Page 18)

Question 2: Are past grantees eligible to apply for this announcement?

SAMHSA seeks to further expand the impact of the SBIRT training program across the nation and to a variety of academic institutions; therefore, current SBIRT grantees awarded under the SBIRT Medical Professional Training Program (TI-13-002) and past SBIRT grantees awarded under the SBIRT Medical Residency Program (TI-08-003) are not eligible to apply. (RFA: Section III.1, Page 17, Paragraph 1)

Question 3: My institution received funding under the TI-13-002 or TI-08-003, am I eligible to apply to train a different student population?

No, any institution previously funded under those grant numbers are not eligible to apply.

Question 4: Are undergraduates considered an eligible student population for this RFA?

Yes, there is no stipulation between undergraduates or graduate schools. "Eligible applicants are public and private universities, colleges, and medical residency programs that have or are affiliated with programs for medical students, psychologists, pharmacists, dentists, physician assistants, nursing, social work, and/or counseling." (RFA: Section III.1, Page 16)

Question 5: Does SAMHSA consider an associate degree in nursing at a community college a nursing program?

Yes.

Question 6: The RFA seems to indicate that grantees will be required to use a curriculum that SAMHSA will give them. However we can't find the curriculum on SAMHSA's website?

The required SBIRT training curriculum for this program will be provided by SAMHSA to the successful applicants. Review and respond to the core components of this curriculum listed in (RFA: Section I. 2.1., Page 6-7).

Question 7: Do you have any sense of the kind of volume that you would want for training students (i.e., number of total students)?

SAMHSA does not specify the number of students that are required to be training. The RFA asks applicants to "Establish a mechanism for monitoring program performance and compliance and establish projections' for the number of students to be trained in each discipline." (RFA: I. 2.1, Phase 1, Page 10). The number of students proposed should logically align with the cost/per student as reflected in the budget. Although the budget and supporting documentation for the proposed project are not scored review criteria, the independent review group will consider their appropriateness after the merits of the application have been considered (Part II: Section IV and Appendix F).

Question 8: My institution is not eligible to apply for funding because it was funded previously under TI-13-002 and TI-13-003. I served as a project director previously, am I eligible to work with the different institution?

Yes, you are eligible to work with other programs.

Question 9: I have funding from HRSA under a different grant program, is my institution eligible?

Yes, funding from HRSA does not impact your eligibility for the SAMHSA SBIRT program.