

**Announcement of Pre-Application Webinar for RFA No. SM-15-006
Cooperative Agreements for Project LAUNCH (Linking Actions for Unmet Needs in
Children's Health) State/Tribal Expansion**

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) is announcing a webinar for prospective applicants interested in applying for Cooperative Agreements for Project LAUNCH (Linking Actions for Unmet Needs in Children's Health) State/Tribal Expansion (Short Title: Project LAUNCH Expansion Grants), RFA # SM-15-006. The call will be lead by SAMHSA, Center for Mental Health Services staff.

The webinar will be held on Wednesday, February 4, 2015 at 3 PM EST

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WEBINAR:

For Participants:

URL: <https://www.mymeetings.com/nc/join/>

Conference number: PW1160011

Audience passcode: LAUNCH

Participants can join the event directly at:

<https://www.mymeetings.com/nc/join.php?i=PW1160011&p=LAUNCH&t=c>

All necessary information including the full RFA, eligibility requirements and required forms related can be found at: <http://www.samhsa.gov/grants>.

SUMMARY: The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Center for Mental Health Services, is accepting applications for fiscal year (FY) 2015 Cooperative Agreements for Project LAUNCH State/Tribal Expansion. The purpose of this program is to expand the implementation of Project LAUNCH systems improvement and wellness promotion/ prevention services into new communities within states and tribes that have completed a Project LAUNCH five-year grant. The goals of this expansion grant are to improve early childhood systems, strengthen parenting competencies, and improve children's developmental and behavioral outcomes in more communities.

Approximately \$3,400,000 is available to fund up to 5 grants at \$680,000 each for up to 4 years.

WHO CAN APPLY: Eligibility is limited to State Title V Agencies, in states who have completed or will complete a Project LAUNCH grant by the end of FY 2015, since these are the agencies that received the initial Project LAUNCH grants. Project LAUNCH Expansion grants will build on the knowledge, expertise and experience acquired in the first Project LAUNCH grant in order to take practices and systems changes to scale by expanding these

practices to other communities within the state/tribe (or to additional tribes). The Project LAUNCH Expansion grants will provide states and tribes the opportunity for broader dissemination of these innovative practices and policies that will lead to better outcomes for young children and families. In addition, the Title V agency was the convener of the original LAUNCH Council, and will be well-positioned to continue the work of increasing cross-agency and public-private partnerships through the Expansion grant. State Title V agencies should partner with the lead children's mental health agency as this grant opportunity is focused on public health, maternal and child health, and children's mental health, and integration of efforts across these agencies is central to the success of these Expansion efforts.

HOW TO APPLY: For information and resources to help you find and apply for funding opportunities please visit <http://www.samhsa.gov/grants/applying> or contact SAMHSA by calling 1-877-726-4727 (1-877-SAMHSA7), [TDD: 1-800-487-4889].

The RFA is available on the SAMHSA website at: <http://www.samhsa.gov/grants>, RFA # SM-15-006.

APPLICATION DUE DATE: Applications must be received by March 30, 2015.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Applicants with questions on program issues should contact Project LAUNCH staff via e-mail at Launch.rfa@samhsa.hhs.gov.