

EXPENDITURE JUSTIFICATION – AAPS Administration 33100 (STARS 33000)

Program Overview: Addiction and Prevention Services (AAPS) supports a system of services for individuals experiencing alcoholism, drug dependence, and/or a gambling addiction, using Federal Block Grant, Medicaid and State funds. AAPS purchases an array of services for the treatment of addictions in Kansas which:

- Utilizes a consumer and community-centered philosophy;
- Encourages collaboration with agencies, including dissemination of information and integrating technology and resources which benefit the client;
- Ensures availability and accessibility to recovery services across the state; and
- Promotes continuous quality improvement based on data, research, and outcomes.

Substance Use Disorder Treatment. AAPS purchases Substance Use Disorder Treatment Services for low-income Kansans using grants and Medicaid funding (see AAPS Services - Managed Care 33400). Services provided through these funding sources include: medical detoxification and other related hospital services, outpatient services, and residential treatment. Since July 1, 2007, AAPS has purchased these services through a managed care organization, Value Options-Kansas. Value Options-Kansas assists AAPS in meeting its mission by contracting with treatment providers across the state to provide quality treatment services to the greatest number of persons.

AAPS grant funded substance use disorder treatment (see AAPS Grants 33200) emphasizes services to:

- Pregnant women and women with children;
- Intravenous drug users;
- Individuals with a positive tuberculosis screen or who are at high risk of tuberculosis;
- Individuals at high risk of becoming or who are HIV-positive;
- Involuntary commitment clients;
- Persons who experience chronic relapses; and
- Individuals with co-occurring substance abuse and mental illness.

AAPS establishes and monitors compliance to standards for program licensure and treatment counselor credentialing, promotes outcomes-based planning and performance improvement, encourages utilization of evidenced-based practices, and provides workforce and leadership development through training opportunities for frontline staff and clinical supervisors.

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AAPS has adopted the National Institute of Drug Abuse (NIDA) principles, a research-based guide that lists scientifically-based treatment strategies for treatment providers. In addition, AAPS uses the following National Performance Outcomes Measures (NOMS) as performance measures:

- Abstinence from Drug/Alcohol Use;
- Increased and/or retained employment;
- Decreased Criminal Justice Involvement;
- Increased Stability in Housing;
- Increased Access to Services;
- Increased Retention in Treatment;
- Client Perception of Care;
- Cost Effectiveness;
- Use of Evidence-Based Practices; and
- Increased Social Supports/Social Connectedness.

AAPS administers \$1.4 million in TANF funds which are used to contract with three Regional Alcohol and Drug Assessment Centers (RADAC) and two Regional Prevention Centers (RPC) to provide Solutions Recovery Care Coordinators (SRCC). The SRCCs are employees of the RADACs and the RPCs. They provide care coordination services for TANF recipients that are experiencing substance use disorders that limit their ability for successful employment. The SRCCs are available in all SRS offices statewide. Services provided with this funding include screening, evaluation, education, and case management. These positions provide services to individuals that are in need of intensive case management services to become gainfully employed.

Under a Memorandum of Agreement with the Kansas Department of Corrections, AAPS administers treatment and care coordination services for fourth-time convicted Driving while Under the Influence offenders under the conditions set forth in K.S.A.1867.

Problem Gambling. (see AAPS Grants 33200) Problem Gambling Services provide first-contact, crisis intervention for problem gamblers and their families. The Problem Gambling Program provides a Problem Gambling Help Line 24 hours/7 days a week staffed by Masters-level professionals, as well as a website for additional resources, ksgamblinghelp.com. Support is also provided to assist in maintaining a network of professionals who are trained in assessing and treating those who suffer from problem gambling. Increasing awareness of the prevalence and consequences of problem gambling is accomplished through the provision of prevention activities such as education, information dissemination, problem identification, and referral. These activities target high risk populations such as older adults, youth, military personnel and the Hispanic population. The program also funds public awareness materials such as billboards, brochures, radio and television PSA, as well as a clearing house for brochures, DVDs, videos and other literature.

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In addition to current problem gambling activities, the 2007 Expanded Lottery Act authorized the establishment of regional state-operated casinos, and designated that 2.0 percent of the net revenues from these gaming activities be made available to treat problem gambling and other addictions as well as provide research to determine the effectiveness of problem gambling prevention efforts.

Prevention. (see AAPS Grants 33200) For FY 2011, AAPS has targeted the reduction of underage drinking and of the factors that influence the likelihood of underage drinking as the statewide goal. The AAPS Prevention Network supports communities with data, training, technical assistance and coaching through grantees and contractors that include the Greenbush Data and Information Systems Group, the University of Kansas Work Group on Health Promotion and Community Development, 13 Regional Prevention Centers, YouthFriends Kansas, and Kansas Family Partnership. This network provides information, education, and access to data and other resources to ensure effective substance abuse prevention in targeted communities. The AAPS Prevention Network supports communities to conduct local-level assessment, strategic planning, selection and implementation of evidence-based prevention strategies, and outcome-based evaluation.

Synar. AAPS Prevention also serves as the designated state contact for Synar compliance. Under the Synar Amendment, the State must conduct random, unannounced inspections of tobacco retail outlets to determine a level of compliance with the prohibition of selling tobacco products to minors. The inspections are conducted by the Kansas Department of Revenue’s Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) division.

Federal rules require 80 percent compliance with the prohibition of selling of tobacco to minors; a “soft” compliance rate of 90 percent has been announced as a goal to states for future years. Failure to reach the required target of 80 percent for FY 2005 resulted in the Federal government requiring Kansas to increase its financial investment in reducing youth access to tobacco. The State of Kansas completed this penalty phase in FY 2007. Funds appropriated for FY 2010 have been committed to the Kansas Department of Revenue to support the Cigarette and Tobacco Enforcement Team in its ABC Division to maintain and increase retailers’ compliance with Federal Synar requirements. Through these efforts, Kansas has both maintained compliance to the required Federal standard and achieved the 90 percent goal set by the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention.

Object Code 5100: Salaries and Wages

Summary: Included are 20.74 FTE and 1.00 non-FTE Unclassified Permanent positions assigned to administer Addiction and Prevention Services. Due to realignment within SRS, AAPS Administration has assumed budgetary responsibility for Quality Assurance Field Staff.

Current Year FY 2011: \$1,122,938 - The salary request includes funding for longevity bonuses and a shrinkage rate of 16.4 percent. All fringe benefit rates conform to the indices issued by the Division of the Budget.

Allocated Budget FY 2012: \$1,148,306 - This amount continues funding for the current staffing level. The request includes funding for longevity bonuses and shrinkage at 16.4 percent. All fringe benefits conform to the indices issued by the Division of the Budget.

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Object Codes 5200: Contractual Services

Summary: Includes travel of \$53,278, communications of \$14,210, and professional fees of \$39,500. The travel and subsistence funds are requested to carry out mandated licensure/certification of Alcohol and Drug Treatment Programs; to provide technical reviews and technical assistance to existing treatment and recovery programs; to deliver training to community-based programs; and to attend various job-related meetings.

Current Year FY 2011: \$138,723 - Contractual obligations are adequately funded.

Allocated Budget FY 2012: \$138,723 - Continues estimates from FY 2011.

Object Codes 5300: Commodities

Summary: The major portion of this request relates to materials, supplies, and parts not covered in other budget categories.

Current Year FY 2011: \$14,360 - Adequately funds office supplies and miscellaneous commodities necessary for operation.

Allocated Budget FY 2012: \$14,360 - Continues estimates from FY 2011.