#### **State Information**

#### **Plan Year**

Federal Fiscal Year 2025

#### **State Identification Numbers**

Unique Entity ID FYVAZVJGDFA4

EIN/TIN 26-0600313

#### I. State Agency to be the Grantee for the PATH Grant

Agency Name Pennsylvania Department of Human Services

Organizational Unit Office of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services

Mailing Address PO Box 2675 OMHSAS Bureau of PPPD, Commonwealth Towers, 11th Fl

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#### II. Authorized Representative for the PATH Grant

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### **III. Expenditure Period**

From 7/1/2025

To 6/30/2026

#### **IV. Date Submitted**

NOTE: this field will be automatically populated when the application is submitted.

**Submission Date** 

Revision Date

### V. Contact Person Responsible for Application Submission

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February 15, 2023

Mr. Yan Rong Grants Management Specialist Division of Grants Management Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration 5600 Fishers Lane Rockville, MD 20857

Dear Mr. Rong:

This letter is to inform you that I hereby designate Ms. Jennifer Smith, Deputy Secretary for the Department of Human Services, Office of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, to sign on behalf of the Commonwealth the set of agreements that certify Pennsylvania's compliance with the requirements for receiving grant funds under the Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH) program. This authorization is valid until otherwise noted.

Sincerely,

JOSH SHAPIRO

Governor

#### Certifications

#### 1. Certification Regarding Debarment and Suspension

The undersigned (authorized official signing for the applicant organization) certifies to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that the applicant, defined as the primary participant in accordance with 2 CFR part 180, and its principals:

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  - c. Inserting a clause or condition in the covered transaction with the lower tier contract

#### 2. Certification Regarding Drug-Free Workplace Requirements

The undersigned (authorized official signing for the applicant organization) certifies that the applicant will, or will continue to, provide a drug-free work-place in accordance with 2 CFR Part 182by:

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  - 2. The grantee&apso;s policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
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Per 45 CFR ?75.215, Recipients are subject to the restrictions on lobbying as set forth in 45 CFR part 93. Title 31, United States Code, Section 1352, entitled "Limitation on use of appropriated funds to influence certain Federal contracting and financial transactions," generally prohibits recipients of Federal grants and cooperative agreements from using Federal (appropriated) funds for lobbying the Executive or Legislative Branches of the Federal Government in connection with a SPECIFIC grant or cooperative agreement. Section 1352 also requires that each person who requests or receives a Federal grant or cooperative agreement must disclose lobbying undertaken with non-Federal (non- appropriated) funds. These requirements apply to grants and cooperative agreements EXCEEDING \$100,000 in total costs. The undersigned (authorized official signing for the applicant organization) certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that

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#### Certifications

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The undersigned (authorized official signing for the applicant organization) certifies to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that the applicant, defined as the primary participant in accordance with 2 CFR part 180, and its principals:

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  - a. Checking the Exclusion Extract located on the System for Award Management (SAM) at http://sam.gov
  - b. Collecting a certification statement similar to paragraph (a)
  - c. Inserting a clause or condition in the covered transaction with the lower tier contract

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  - 2. The grantee&apso;s policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
  - 3. Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and
  - 4. The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace;
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Per 45 CFR ?75.215, Recipients are subject to the restrictions on lobbying as set forth in 45 CFR part 93. Title 31, United States Code, Section 1352, entitled "Limitation on use of appropriated funds to influence certain Federal contracting and financial transactions," generally prohibits recipients of Federal grants and cooperative agreements from using Federal (appropriated) funds for lobbying the Executive or Legislative Branches of the Federal Government in connection with a SPECIFIC grant or cooperative agreement. Section 1352 also requires that each person who requests or receives a Federal grant or cooperative agreement must disclose lobbying undertaken with non-Federal (non- appropriated) funds. These requirements apply to grants and cooperative agreements EXCEEDING \$100,000 in total costs. The undersigned (authorized official signing for the applicant organization) certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that

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#### **FISCAL YEAR 2025**

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## **Disclosure of Lobbying Activities**

Are there lobbying activities pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352 to be disclosed? Yes No							
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Name	Description	Actions
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## **II. Executive Summary**

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## 2025 Pennsylvania State Summary

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Additionally, the Pennsylvania PATH State Team Lead is also the SSI/SSDI Outreach, Access, and Recovery (SOAR) State Team Lead. Pennsylvania is partnering with the SAMHSA SOAR Technical Assistance Center, Policy Research Associates, to build out a comprehensive statewide SOAR initiative to grow the model and increase access and awareness across the state. Connection to a SOAR trained caseworker is sought-after by individuals with an SMI that are experiencing or at risk of homelessness in Pennsylvania. At the State level, we recognize the key relationship between PATH and SOAR and each playing a key role in assisting individuals to maximize income supports through benefits access and employment support to achieve long-term housing stability.

#### **II. Executive Summary**

#### 2. State Budget

Planning Period From **7/1/2025** to **6/30/2026** 

A budget and budget narrative that includes the state's use of PATH funds are required. The budget can be entered directly into WebBGAS, or you can upload the budget as an attachment. The Budget Narrative is a separate document that must be uploaded as an Attachment. It must provide a justification for the basis of each proposed cost in the budget and how that cost was calculated. The proposed costs must be reasonable, allowable, allocable, and necessary for the supported activity.

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Category				Federal Dollars	M	latched Dollars	Total Dollars	Comments
Personnel				\$ 55,008	\$	12,670	\$ 67,678	
Position *	Annual Salary *	% of time spent on PATH *	PATH- Funded FTE	PATH-Funded Salary *	М	atched Dollars *	Total Dollars	Comments
Other (Describe in Comments)	67,678.00	100.00 %	0.81	55,008.00		12,670.00	67,678.00	State PATH Contact
Category		Per	rcentage	Federal Dollars *	М	atched Dollars *	Total Dollars	Comments
ringe Benefits			62.05%	\$ 41,992.00	\$	10,797.00	\$ 52,789.00	Fringe benefits include retirement package, health, dental, vision insurance packages, paid leave, etc.
Category				Federal Dollars	N	latched Dollars	Total Dollars	Comments
ravel				\$ 0.00	\$	13,333.00	\$ 13,333.00	
Line Item Detail *				Federal Dollars *	М	atched Dollars *	Total Dollars	Comments
Other (Describe in Comments)				\$ 0.00	\$	13,333.00	\$ 13,333.00	SPC costs of monitoring PATH projects biannually using GSA rates.
Equipment				\$ 0.00	\$	0.00	\$ 0.00	
				No Da	ta Avail	able		
Supplies				\$ 0.00	\$	0.00	\$ 0.00	
				No Da	ta Avail	able		
Contractual (IUPs)				\$ 2,190,051.00	\$	1,803,668.00	\$ 3,993,719.00	
Contractual (State)				\$ 0.00	\$	0.00	\$ 0.00	
				No Da	ta Avail	able		
Category			rcentage	Federal Dollars		latched Dollars	Total Dollars	Comments
	only be PATH allow	able costs. Person						e Personnel line item. For questions, call your Program Officer.
Housing (IUPs)				\$ 285,226.00	\$	295,614.00	\$ 580,840.00	
. Housing (State)				\$ 60,821.00	\$	26,941.00	\$ 87,762.00	
Line Item Detail *				Federal Dollars *		atched Dollars *	Total Dollars	Comments
Other (Describe in Comments)				\$ 60,821.00	\$	26,941.00	\$ 87,762.00	One time rental costs, security deposits, eviction prevention (Will be obligated to existing PA PATH projects after analysis of need),
Category				Federal Dollars	N	latched Dollars	Total Dollars	Comments
Construction (non-allowable)								
Other				\$ 82,443.00	\$	1,667.00	\$ 84,110.00	
Line Item Detail *				Federal Dollars *	М	atched Dollars *	Total Dollars	Comments
Client: Other (Describe in Comments	)			\$ 20,000.00	\$	0.00	\$ 20,000.00	ID Documents, Outreach Supplies (Will be obligated to
	,							existing PA PATH projects after analysis of need),

j. Total Direct Charges (Sum of a-i minus g1)	\$ 2,430,315.00	\$	1,869,076.00	\$ 4,299,391.00	
Category	Federal Dollars *	ı	Matched Dollars *	Total Dollars	Comments
k. Indirect Costs (Administrative Costs)	\$ 0.00	\$	0.00	\$ 0.00	
l. Grand Total (Sum of j and k)	\$ 2,430,315.00	\$	1,869,076.00	\$ 4,299,391.00	
Allocation of Federal PATH Funds	\$ 2,430,315	\$	810,105	\$ 3,240,420	

Source(s) of Match Dollars for State Funds:

#### FY 25-26 PENNSYLVANIA STATE PATH BUDGET NARRATIVE

Pennsylvania's PATH Program is county-based, with program leadership at the state level provided by the Department of Human Services, Office of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services (OMHSAS). The significant funding breakouts in the budget are for the State PATH Contact under OMHSAS, the HMIS system, support and training, and the Intended Use Plans for each county with a PATH program and the individual program providers within the counties. The details of the Budget are expressed below. The state provides additional support by covering the travel required for the SPC to visit, review, and support the individual programs annually.

**Personnel (\$67,678.00):** \$67,678 is the annual salary of the State PATH Contact who functions within the Department of Human Services, Office of Mental Health and Substance Use Services, under the title of Human Services Analyst in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The federal PATH-funded portion of the salary is \$55,008, which approximates 81% of FTE, however, 100% of the SPC's time is spent on PATH. The state-matched portion is \$12,670.

**Fringe Benefits (\$52,789):** \$52,789 is the SPC's fringe benefits total, including \$41,992 in federal dollars and \$10,797 in matched dollars. Fringe benefits include medical benefits, unemployment contributions, retirement benefits, etc.

**Travel (\$13,333):** \$13,333 is the proposed travel budget to provide biannual, programmatic monitoring of all 33 Pennsylvania PATH programs every other year, including \$0 in federal dollars and \$13,333 in matched dollars.

Contractual (IUPs) (\$3,993,719.00): The IUPs are provided by the 33 projects delivering services in 25 county/joinders under the PATH program. The total portion of the PATH grant for this section is \$3,993,719.00, which includes \$2,190,051.00 in Federal Dollars and the state matching with \$1,255,445.00 and additional County funding of \$548,223.00 in support of the PATH program. The PA Office of the Comptrollers initiates the state portion of \$1,255,445 and funds are available July 1 to Counties. While individual counties provide additional funds over and above the required 3:1 match to support their respective programs, only a portion of the support provided to serve populations experiencing homelessness is reflected in the budget.

Of the \$3,993,719.00 allocated to IUP's \$580,840.00 is identified as housing services. Housing services are specialized services designed to increase access to and maintenance of stable housing for PATH-enrolled individuals who have significant or unusual barriers to housing. This includes \$285,226.00 in federal dollars and \$295,614.00 in matched dollars.

**Housing (\$87,762.00):** \$87,762 is the proposed to provide housing services to eligible PATH enrolled individuals. Housing Services are specialized services designed to increase access to and maintenance of stable housing for PATH-enrolled individuals who have significant or unusual barriers to housing. These funds will be utilized to provide one time rental costs, security deposits, eviction prevention and will be obligated to existing PA PATH projects after analysis of need is completed. This includes \$60,821.00 in federal dollars and \$26,941 in matched dollars. The total of Pennsylvania's housing services costs including costs provided on behalf of the client for security deposits, one time eviction prevention, moving services, etc. and salary costs related to housing services total 14.24% of the federal budget and do not exceed the federal cap of 20% for Housing Services.

**Other (\$84,110):** Includes the Federal Dollar amount of \$82,443 and Matched Dollars of \$1,667 to support a PATH Conference, HMIS, HMIS data collection and training, and other PATH-related training as possible with these funds.

**Grand Total \$4,299,391.00** (Federal \$2,430,315 / State Match \$1,320,853 / County Match \$548,223)

Allocation of Federal PATH Funds (Federal \$2,430,315 / Req. Minimum State Match Dollars \$810,260)

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#### II. Executive Summary

#### 3. Intended Use Plans

Expenditure Period Start Date: 07/01/2025

Expenditure Period End Date: 06/30/2026

Primary IUP Provider	Provider Type	Geographic	Allocations	Matching	Estimated #	Estimated #	# Trained	# Assisted
		Service Area		Funds	to Contact	to Enroll	in SOAR	through SOAR
Allegheny County Office of Behavioral Health, * ~	Other mental health agency	Western Region	\$461,734.00	\$153,911.00	715	450	6	141
Armstrong/Indiana Behavioral and Developmental Health Program *	Social service agency	Western Region	\$45,258.00	\$15,086.00	42	24	2	0
Blair County Mental Health, Behavioral Health, and Intellectual Disabilities Programs * ~	Social service agency	Central Region	\$47,087.00	\$15,696.00	70	50	3	1
Bucks County Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Programs *	Other mental health agency	Southeast Region	\$51,680.00	\$421,273.00	300	250	3	1
Butler County Mental Health, Early Intervention, and Intellectual Disabilities Program * ~	Social service agency	Western Region	\$81,903.00	\$27,301.00	115	97	0	0
Cameron-Elk Behavioral and Developmental Programs	Social service agency	Western Region	\$64,421.00	\$21,474.00	98	68	2	1
Centre County Mental Health, Intellectual Disabilities, and Early Intervention	Other mental health agency	Central Region	\$42,587.00	\$21,294.00	50	40	1	3
Clarion County Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities * ~	Other mental health agency	Western Region	\$34,814.00	\$22,926.00	95	80	2	0
Crawford County Human Services * ~	Other mental health agency	Western Region	\$47,087.00	\$17,652.00	70	60	5	3
Dauphin County Mental Health/Intellectual Disabilities Program * ~	Social service agency	Central Region	\$83,480.00	\$27,827.00	194	134	1	83
Delaware County Behavioral Health and Intellectual Disabilities *	Other mental health agency	Southeast Region	\$131,919.00	\$43,973.00	70	35	0	0
Erie County Mental Health and Intellectual Disabilities * ~	Other mental health agency	Western Region	\$10,000.00	\$3,333.00	75	50	0	0
Fayette County Behavioral Health Administration *	Other mental health agency	Western Region	\$58,392.00	\$19,464.00	80	60	2	0
Forest/Warren Human Services *	Other mental health agency	Western Region	\$34,816.00	\$11,605.00	33	33	6	3
Franklin-Fulton County Mental Health/Intellectual Disabilities/Early Intervention	Social service agency	Central Region	\$54,558.00	\$18,186.00	40	35	0	0
Greene County Department of Human Services ~	Social service agency	Western Region	\$31,802.00	\$26,748.00	45	30	0	0
Juniata Valley Behavioral & Developmental Services *	Other mental health agency	Central Region	\$31,859.00	\$10,620.00	35	25	0	0
Lancaster County BH/DS * ~	Social service agency	Central Region	\$91,098.00	\$78,022.00	60	30	0	0
Lehigh County Mental Health, Intellectual Disabilities, Drugs/Alcohol, and Early Intervention *	Other mental health agency	Northeast Region	\$51,680.00	\$17,227.00	75	50	7	0
Luzerne-Wyoming Counties Mental Health and Developmental Services *	Other mental health agency	Northeast Region	\$51,680.00	\$17,227.00	175	100	1	0
Mercer County Behavioral Health Commission, comprehensive AND provider * ~	Social service agency	Western Region	\$56,180.00	\$55,649.00	55	55	1	1
Montgomery County Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Early Intervention Program Office *	Other mental health agency	Southeast Region	\$79,998.00	\$26,666.00	140	100	13	0
Philadelphia Department of Behavioral Health and Intellectual Disability Services * ~	Social service agency	Southeast Region	\$459,968.00	\$671,650.00	2,526	1,630	2	0
Schuylkill County Administrative Offices of Mental Health Developmental Services, and Drugs/Alcohol * ~	Other mental health agency	Northeast Region	\$34,816.00	\$31,413.00	200	50	0	0

York/Adams Mental Health and Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities * ~	Other mental health agency	Central Region	\$51,234.00	\$17,078.00	25	13	2	2
Grand Total			\$2,190,051.00	\$1,793,301.00	5,383	3,549	59	239

<sup>\*</sup>IUP with sub-IUPs

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<sup>~</sup> IUP modified by the state

## A. Operational Definitions

Term	Definition
Individual Experiencing Homelessness:	Pennsylvania follows the definition for an Individual Experiencing Homelessness as provided under the PHS Act, Section 330(h)(5)(A) for its simplicity of statement and expansiveness of meaning. This section states: "an individual who lacks housing (without regard to whether the individual is a member of a family), including an individual whose primary residence during the night is a supervised public or private facility that provides temporary living accommodations, and an individual who is a resident in transitional housing."
Imminent Risk of Becoming Homeless:	The U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness defines Imminent Risk of Homelessness as individuals or families, 1) whose residence will be lost within 14 days; 2) that no subsequent residence has been identified, and 3) who lack the resources or support networks to obtain permanent housing.  One or more of the following criteria commonly applies to an individual facing imminent homelessness: doubled-up living arrangements where the individual's name is not on a lease, living in a condemned building without a place to move, having arrears in rent/utility payments, receiving an eviction notice without a place to move, living in temporary or transitional housing that carries time limits, or being discharged from a health care or criminal justice institution without a place to live.
Serious Mental Illness (SMI):	Serious Mental Illness applies to adults 18 years or older currently, or at any time during the past year, have had a diagnosable or presumptive mental, behavioral, or emotional disorder of sufficient duration to meet diagnostic criteria, that has resulted in functional impairment which substantially interferes with or limits one or more major life activities.
Co-occurring Disorders (COD):	Refers to individuals who have had a diagnosable or presumptive combination of substance use disorders and mental disorders identified in the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, Fifth Edition (DSM-5) or as adapted to subsequent editions.

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#### **B.** Collaboration

#### Narrative Question:

Describe how the state will implement a collaborative relationship with the department/office responsible for providing housing to qualifying residents. Describe how PATH funds supporting care and treatment for individuals experiencing homelessness or individuals with serious mental illness who are marginally housed will be served such that there is coordination of service provision to address needs impacted by SMI and provision of permanent housing for those being served with grant funds is prioritized and assured.

I certify that the response to this Narrative Question in the FY 2024 PATH Application is still accurate.	Yes 💽	No	0

If No, please upload documentation with changes for FY 2025.

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## C. Veterans

Describe how the state gives consideration in awarding PATH funds to entities with demonstrated effectiveness in serving veterans experiencing
homelessness.
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## **D. Alignment with PATH Goals**

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Describe how the services to be provided using PATH funds will target outreach and case management as priority services; including serving the most vulnerable adults who are **literally** and **chronically** homeless, and to individuals with a history of incarceration.

I certify that the response to this Narrative Question in the FY 2024 PATH Application is still accurate. Yes No

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## E. Alignment with State Comprehensive Mental Health Services Plan

Narrative Question:
Describe how the services to be provided using PATH funds are consistent with the State Comprehensive Mental Health Services Plans.
I certify that the response to this Narrative Question in the FY 2024 PATH Application is still accurate. Yes No
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## F. Process for Providing Public Notice

#### Narrative Question:

Describe the process for providing public notice to allow interested parties (e.g., family members; individuals who are PATH-eligible; mental health, substance use disorder, and housing agencies; the general public) to review the proposed use of PATH funds including any subsequent revisions to the application. Describe opportunities for these parties to present comments and recommendations prior to submission of the state PATH application to SAMHSA.

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## **G. Programmatic and Financial Oversight**

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Describe how the state will provide necessary programmatic and financial oversight of PATH-supported providers, such as site visits, evaluation of performance goals, audits, etc. In cases where the state provides funds through intermediary organizations (i.e., county agencies, regional behavioral health authorities), describe how these organizations will monitor the use of PATH funds.

I certify that the response to this Narrative Question in the FY 2024 PATH Application is still accurate. Yes No

If No, please upload documentation with changes for FY 2025.

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#### H. Selection of PATH Local-Area Providers

#### Narrative Question:

Describe the method(s) used to allocate PATH funds to areas and providers with the greatest number of individuals who experience homelessness with serious mental illnesses or co-occurring substance use disorders (i.e., through annual competitions, distribution by formula, data driven or other means).

I certify that the response to this Narrative Question in the FY 2024 PATH Application is still accurate. Yes No

If No, please upload documentation with changes for FY 2025.

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## I. Location of Individuals with Serious Mental Illnesses or Co-Occurring Disorders who are Experiencing Homelessness

Narrative Question:
Indicate the number of individuals with SMI/COD experiencing homelessness by each region or geographic area of the entire state. Indicate ho
the numbers were derived and where the selected providers are located on a map.
I certify that the response to this Narrative Question in the FY 2024 PATH Application is still accurate. Yes No No If No, please upload documentation with changes for FY 2025.
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## J. Matching Funds

### Narrative Question:

Describe the sources of the required PATH match contributions and provide assurances that these contributions will be available at the beginning of the grant period.

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From: Brown, Andre
To: MacWithey, Lauren

Cc: <u>Varghese, Benny</u>; <u>Golden, Stephanie</u>

**Subject:** FY25-26 PATH Grant #70154 State Match Verification Letter

**Date:** Wednesday, March 5, 2025 9:27:47 AM

Attachments: <u>image001.png</u>

#### Hi Lauren-

This is to confirm that in state fiscal year 2025-2026 (July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026), OMHSAS will allocate a minimum of

one dollar in state funds for every three dollars in federal PATH funds, consistent with the "Terms and Conditions".

For the projected grant award of \$ \$2,430,315 we will allocate the required minimum of \$810,260 in available state matching funds.



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## **K. Other Designated Fundings**

Narrative Question:
Indicate whether the mental health block grant, substance use prevention, treatment, and recovery services block grant, or general revenue
funds are designated specifically for serving eligible individuals.
I certify that the response to this Narrative Question in the FY 2024 PATH Application is still accurate. Yes No No If No, please upload documentation with changes for FY 2025.
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#### L. Data

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Describe the state/territories' and providers' participation in HMIS and describe plans for continued training and how the state will support new local-area providers. For any providers not fully participating in HMIS, please include a transition plan with an accompanying timeline for collecting all PATH data in HMIS.

I certify that the response to this Narrative Question in the FY 2024 PATH Application is still accurate. Yes No

If No, please upload documentation with changes for FY 2025.

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## M. Supplemental Security Income/Social Security Disability Insurance (SSI/SSDI) Outreach, Access, Recovery (SOAR)

Narrative Question:
Describe how the state encourages provider staff to be trained in SOAR. Indicate the number of PATH providers who have at least one trained
SOAR staff. If the state does not use SOAR, describe state efforts to ensure client applications for mainstream benefits are completed, reviewed, and a determination made in a timely manner.
I certify that the response to this Narrative Question in the FY 2024 PATH Application is still accurate. Yes No
If No, please upload documentation with changes for FY 2025.
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## N. PATH Eligibility and Enrollment

Narrative Question:
Describe how PATH eligibility is determined, when enrollment occurs, and how eligibility is documented.
I certify that the response to this Narrative Question in the FY 2024 PATH Application is still accurate. Yes No
If No, please upload documentation with changes for FY 2025.
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# **PATH Reported Activities**

## **Charitable Choice for PATH**

Does your state use PATH funds to fund religiously-affiliated providers to provide substance use treatment services? Yes No No
Expenditure Period Start Date: Expenditure Period End Date:
Notice to Program Beneficiaries - Check all that apply
$\square$ Used model notice provided in final regulation.
$\square$ Used notice developed by State (please attach a copy to the Report).
$\square$ State has disseminated notice to religious organizations that are providers.
☐ State requires these religious organizations to give notice to all potential beneficiaries.
Referrals to Alternative Services - Check all that apply
$\square$ State has developed specific referral system for this requirement.
☐ State has incorporated this requirement into existing referral system(s).
☐ SAMHSA's Treatment Facility Locator is used to help identify providers.
$\square$ Other networks and information systems are used to help identify providers.
☐ State maintains record of referrals made by religious organizations that are providers.
Enter total number of referrals necessitated by religious objection to other substance abuse providers (\"alternative providers\"), as defined above, made in previous fiscal year. Provide total only; no information on specific referrals required.
Brief description (one paragraph) of any training for local governments and faith-based and community organizations on
these requirements.
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