



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2019-2020

LFIR#: 1644

1. Title of Project: Central Florida Behavioral Health Network - Strengthening Links Between Treatment & Recovery

2. Senate Sponsor: Darryl Rouson

3. Date of Submission: 02/12/2019

4. Project/Program Description:

Funding is requested to utilize an evidence-based digital platform to empower consumers. Addresses conditions such as depression, anxiety, stress, chronic pain, substance use disorders (including opioid use), & insomnia with personalized & interactive web/mobile applications. It helps enhance a daily sense of wellness & well-being. The technology utilizes a motivational, strength-based platform that enhances treatment, strengthens the link between treatment/recovery, & promotes resiliency. Funding will eliminate the treatment gap & augment current interventions, extending evidence-based tools 'outside the four walls'. The platform serves as an efficient & effective treatment extender for clinicians, peer specialists, & case managers by ensuring that consumers have access to engaging interactive &/or interfacing tools before, during, & after sessions with a professional. This will help many organizations struggling with workforce shortages to maximize human resources.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds : Department of Children and Families

State Agency Contacted? Yes

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2019-2020

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	400,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	
Total State Funds Requested	400,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percent
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	400,000	100.00%
Federal		0.00%
State (excluding the amount of this request)		0.00%
Local		0.00%
Other		0.00%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2019-2020	400,000	100.0%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	NonRecurring		

9. Is future-year funding likely to be requested? No



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10. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	Executive Administration	10,700
Other Salary and Benefits	Fiscal, Human Resources, Risk Management, Information Technology, Quality Management	74,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Related to administrative assistance	17,200
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Contracted provider of application	200,000
Operational Costs:		
Salary and Benefits	Salaries/benefits for direct service professionals	9,100
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Related to operations staff, includes access to client services	79,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Independent Clinical Evaluation Study	10,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		400,000

11. Program Performance:

a. What is the specific purpose or goal that will be achieved by the funds requested?

A one-time funding request utilizes an evidence-based digital platform to empower consumers. Addresses conditions such as depression, anxiety, stress, chronic pain, substance use disorders (including opioid use), & insomnia with personalized & interactive web/mobile applications. It helps enhance a daily sense of wellness & well-being. The technology utilizes a motivational, strength-based platform that enhances treatment, strengthens the link between treatment/recovery, & promotes resiliency. Funding will eliminate the treatment gap & augment current interventions, extending evidence-based tools ‘outside the four walls’. The platform serves as an efficient & effective treatment extender for clinicians, peer specialists, & case managers by ensuring that consumers have access to engaging interactive/interfacing tools before, during, & after sessions with a professional. This will help many organizations struggling with workforce shortages to maximize human resources. (English/Spanish)

b. What are the activities and services that will be provided to meet the intended purpose of these funds?

This platform provides access to the following services: therapeutic services such as counseling and clinical case consultation, clinical training for individual/ parents/providers/clinicians/mental health professionals, direct access to services such as mentoring and educational support services. It will engage consumers in 5 ways: customized and co-branded content, clinical integration framework, technical interfaces, on-site training of all member-facing resources, and provider connection. This project also provides the opportunity for the following activities: community collaboration, community outreach, education and awareness initiatives.

c. What are the direct services to be provided to citizens by the appropriations project?



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Through the investment of this project, this platform will provide efficient and effective treatment extender for clinicians, peer specialists, and case managers by ensuring that consumers have access to engaging and interactive tools before, during, and after sessions with a professional. This will reduce the need for more costly services, prevent further burden on dependency, educational, and juvenile systems, and will improve mental health and quality of life for youth and their families. A range of direct services will be made available through the platform, such as specialized clinical services, therapeutic support, mental health counseling, training, mentoring, peer support, community awareness, and collaborative partnerships.

d. Who is the target population served by this project? How many individuals are expected to be served?

Persons with poor mental health; Persons with poor physical health; Jobless persons; Economically disadvantaged persons; At-risk youth; Homeless; Drug users (in health services); High school students 30,000+ individuals expected to be served.

e. What is the expected benefit or outcome of this project? What is the methodology by which this outcome will be measured?

Through the investment of this appropriation, this application will provide therapeutic services which reduce the need for more costly services, prevent further burden on the dependency, educational and juvenile justice systems, and will improve mental health of service recipients. The efficacy of this project will be measured in the savings to the state from more costly services, the access to services, and the number of individuals impacted by these services, trainings and education offered through this project.

f. What are the suggested penalties that the contracting agency may consider in addition to its standard penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures provided for in the contract?

Any standard penalty suggested by the state for failure to meet performance measures will be provided for this contract.

12. The owner(s) of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owner(s) of the facility and the entity.

N/A

13. Requestor Contact Information:

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14. Recipient Contact Information:

- a. **Organization:** Central Florida Behavioral Health Network
- b. **County:** Hillsborough
- c. **Organization Type:**
 - For Profit
 - Non Profit 501(c) (3)
 - Non Profit 501(c) (4)



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- Local Entity
- University or College
- Other (Please specify)

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15. Lobbyist Contact Information

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- b. Firm Name:** None
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