



Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development



**Workforce Education and Training (WET)  
Public Mental/Behavioral Health Workforce Retention  
Request for Application (RFA) # 14-5665 Questions and Answers**

**Question 1:** Section B. Purpose and Description of Services provides that “this RFA with total funding available of \$500,000.00 to fund organizations that will provide services to increase the retention of persons who are currently employed by and/or volunteer in the PMHS within positions identified as high priority by the Public Mental Health System (PMHS).” Can you please send additional information regarding who has been identified as “high priority” by the PMHS?

**Answer:** OSHPD does not identify positions as “high priority” by the PMHS. Each applicant has the opportunity to identify positions that are identified as “high priority” for the specific County(s) and/or Community Based Organization(s) (CBO) they propose to serve. Each applicant must receive a participation verification form from each County and/or CBO they will be serving which is located on page 17. In those verification forms, Counties and CBOs shall identify retention challenges which shall be summarized in the applicants Detailed Work Plan, Section a. and b., on page four of the RFA. In that section, the retention challenges should include positions identified as “high priority” by the specific County(s) and CBO(s) that will be served. Your proposal must address those positions that were identified as “high priority” by the specific County(s) and CBO(s) you propose will be served.

**Question 2:** Section D. Developing an Application, Part 5a indicates that all tasks through the duration of the Grant Agreement for Fiscal Year (FY) 2014-15, FY 2015-16, and FY 2016-17 shall not exceed \$75,000. Can you please clarify the dates pertaining to this grant?

**Answer:** As stated on page 4 of the RFA, “the period of this Grant Agreement will be from June 30, 2015 through June 30, 2017”.