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**Harford County
Health Department**

Harford County MOOR (Maryland Office of Overdose Response) Opioid Prevention Team (OPT)

Meeting Minutes | March 25, 2024 | 9:30-10:30 AM

Hybrid

Harford County Department of Emergency Services (DES)

Call-in Information:

Join with Google Meet

<https://meet.google.com/iez-bnqa-jco>

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- **Call to Order**
- **Overdose Prevention Team Updates**
 - **FY 2026 Block Grant Program**
 - **Local FY 2026 Block Grant Program NOFA**
 - Call for Proposals were emailed to Maryland OTPs on March 3, 2025
 - Emails contained what were called packets, and these packets contained the following documents:
 - MOOR FY 2026 Block Grant Program NOFA
 - MOOR FY 2026 Block Grant Program Application
 - MOOR Appendix II FY26 Block Grant Program OPT
 - MOOR Appendix III FY26 MOOR Grants Indirect Costs
 - MOOR FY2026 Program Project Quarterly Budget, and
 - MOOR FY2026 Allowable & Unallowable Costs
 - Harford County was awarded \$ 146,959.83 for its FY 2026 Block Grant Program
 - Formulas for allocation remained the same as FY 2025 at 45% base and 55% impact.
 - “MOOR’s Block Grant program uses a formula to distribute \$4 million on an annual basis. Forty-five percent of the \$4 million available is considered base funding, which is distributed evenly across Maryland’s 24 local jurisdictions. This guarantees that each jurisdiction will receive at least \$75,000 every year. The remaining fifty-five percent is considered impact funding. These funds will be distributed proportionately to jurisdictions based on a 3-fiscal year average of the number of opioid-related overdose fatalities in each respective jurisdiction, as measured by the Maryland

Vital Statistics Administration. In fiscal year 2025, impact funding ranged from \$5,150.96 to \$856,142.95.”

- The deadline to return the requested materials is Wednesday, April 30, 2025
- **FY 2026 Block Grant Program**
 - **Local FY 2026 Block Grant Program NOFA**
 - Grant Program Overview:
 - “The purpose of MOOR’s Block Grant Program is to provide some level of funding (minimum of \$75,000) to all 24 OPTs in Maryland in order to combat the overdose crisis in whatever manner they see fit. These funds are provided in addition to the Opioid Restitution Fund’s Local Direct payments and Targeted Abatement allocations, and may be used to expand existing efforts or to pursue new strategies.

 - A comprehensive overdose response requires balancing efforts that align with the State of Maryland’s strategic priorities of Prevention, Harm Reduction, Treatment, Recovery and Public Safety. OPT projects supported with MOOR funds can reflect a wide variety of locally identified priorities that align with these Strategic Priorities and serve to meet some of the greatest needs around the state.”
- **FY 2026 Block Grant Program**
 - **Local FY 2026 Block Grant Program NOFA**
 - Application Process:
 - The full application package must include the following components:
 - A completed application form for each project (PDF and Word or Google Docs), including signatures from the local health officer
 - A completed budget package for each project (with justifications where appropriate, and all relevant details completed as described below;
 - A completed OPT Documentation Form (see Appendix II);
 - A current Local Overdose Response Plan; and
 - A meeting schedule of the OPT and/or Strategic Planning Group for July 1 - December 31, 2025.
- **FY 2026 Block Grant Program**
 - **Local FY 2026 Block Grant Program NOFA**
 - Frequently Asked Questions:
 - I wanted to go over 2 questions and answer described in the Frequently asked Questions sections of the NOFA. Those 2 questions and answers are the following:
 - **Is there a limit to the number of different projects that can be submitted by an OPT?**

No. There is no limit to the number of projects that may be submitted by an OPT, but the total project costs (inclusive of indirect costs) must not exceed the allocation. Please include separate applications and budgets for each project submitted, to track costs between projects during the grant period.

- **FY 2026 Block Grant Program**

- **Local FY 2026 Block Grant Program NOFA**

- Frequently Asked Questions:

- **What is supplanting?**

- Supplanting is the use of MOOR grant funds to replace federal or local funds which were previously appropriated/budgeted for, or otherwise would have been spent on, the specific purpose(s) for which the award may be made. Any salaries, positions, personnel expenses, contractual expenses, equipment, travel, and other expenses paid for with MOOR grant funds must be used to supplement your organization's existing budget, and may not replace any funds that were already included in your entity's existing or projected budget.

- **FY 2026 Block Grant Program**

- **Local FY 2026 Block Grant Program NOFA**

- Harford OTP NOFA:

- I wanted to go over some highlights regarding Block Grant Program Funding as it related to local OPTs

- Governor Moore's Executive Order 01.01.2023.21 states the following:

- "Block grant applications MUST be discussed with the OPT at large to solicit feedback
 - OPT chairs should send out an email to all OPT members notifying them which meeting the block grant will be discussed in, so that members can be sure to attend and contribute."

- The FY 2026 MOOR Block Grant Program NOFA, Grant Program Overview (which we reviewed earlier) states the following:

- **The purpose of MOOR's Block Grant Program is to provide** some level of **funding** (minimum of \$75,000) to all 24 **OPTs** in Maryland in order **to combat the overdose crisis in whatever manner they see fit.**

- **FY 2026 Block Grant Program**

- **Local FY 2026 Block Grant Program NOFA**

- Local Solicitation for Block Grant Funding

- A local FY 2026 MOOR Block Grant NOFA was sent to OTP members informing them of this grant opportunity and encouraging them to share it with eligible applicants on March 10, 2025.
- The deadline for the local NOFA is April 11, 2025 at 5:00 PM
- Following this meeting an email will be sent to all OTP members to participate in a virtual meeting with myself. This meeting will be focusing on reviewing submitted proposals and selecting the project(s) to be included in Harford County's FY 2026 MOOR Block Grant Program Application. Depending on the number of applicants one or more Review Committee Meetings will be held between the dates on April 15th and April 25th. OTP members will be notified via email of the applicant(s) whose grant application have been selected to be submitted to MOOR. To avoid a potential conflict of interest I am asking those OTP members who are submit applications to not attend the Review Committee.
- The NOFA is also listed on the Harford County Health Department's website at the following URL: [FY 26 MOOR Block Grant Funding Opportunity](#)
- **FY 2026 Block Grant Program**
 - **Local Overdose Response Plan Overview**
 - As noted in the FY 2026 Block Grant Program NOFA, the application must contain a Local Overdose Response Plan.
 - The NOFA also states, "a Local Overdose Response Plan can take many forms, including: formal OTP goals and objectives, a logical model, concept of operations, a continuum of care model, and strategic framework used to guide multidisciplinary response in the jurisdiction."
 - Currently, I am working on updating the Harford County's Overdose Response Plan.
 - However, during the summer months, when the MHHAC/LHIC and OPT are on break, I am hoping to get a group of interested OTP members together to meet to create a stronger, more collaborative Overdose Response Plan for the County.
 - **Program Overview of Addiction Connection Resources (ACR)**
 - **Progress Report:**
https://www.canva.com/design/DAGiu0us_MU/SqAj9UY9g7doXL9WEAzEZA/view?utm_content=DAGiu0us_MU&utm_campaign=designshare&utm_medium=link2&utm_source=uniquelinks&utm_id=h74255c9cf0
- **MOOR Announcements**
 - **Recovery Friendly Workplace**

- Flyer shared regarding the Maryland Department of Labor’s Recovery Friendly Workplace Program.
 - The Recovery Friendly Workplace Program provides a framework for employers to support employees and communities around experience of addiction.
 - Employers can obtain Bronze, Silver, Gold, and Platinum designation by adopting practices in the following areas:
 - Overdose response training and access to naloxone (Narcan).
 - Stigma-reducing programming for the workplace.
 - Creating policies/practices that support employees impacted by substance use.
 - Facts:
 - Employers that support mental health see a return of \$4 for every dollar invested in mental health treatment. (The National Safety Council)
 - Each employee in recovery saves employers from \$1,155 annually per capita to \$8,466 –per capita, annually depending on the industry sector
- **Maryland Overdose Response Advisory Council**
 - Date: Thursday, March 27, 2025
 - Time: 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM
 - Location: 100 State Circle (Governor’s Receptive Room), Annapolis, MD 21401
 - Live stream link: <https://vimeo.com/event/4006298>
 - Public Comment Registration Form: <https://forms.gle/ji1tA4pBSdap9S549>
- **Maryland PDMP Academic Detailing Program**
 - MOOR shared a flyer regarding the Academic Detailing Program provided by the Maryland Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) and the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy’s Behavioral Health Resources and Technical Assistance (BHRT) Program.
 - The Academic Detailing Program Provides free 1:1 education outreach for medical providers to help increase prescriber’s and pharmacists’ use of evidence-based recommendation for opioid prescribing, opioid safety, and implementation of best practices. Training is provided either virtually or in person.
 - Visit <https://health.maryland.gov/pdmp/pages/home.aspx> for more information.
- **Community Member Comments and Updates**
 - Avery Meyer from MOOR will provide the group with the Strategic Planning documents.
- **Adjournment**

Upcoming Meetings: TBD, 9:30-10:30 a.m. Harford County DES 2220 Addy Rd, Forest Hill, MD 21050