LA County Bond BHCIP Round 2: Unmet Needs Stakeholder Webinar Q&A (August 5, 2025)

GENERAL QUESTIONS

1. Is there an estimate of the share of total BHCIP Bond Round 2 Funding (of the \$1.1B) allocated to LA County?

Answer: According to the RFA, there is no regional allocation.

2. Will the county provide any matching funds?

Answer: No. The County does not provide matching funds for community-based organization contracts.

3. What is the deadline for submitting a County LOS request survey?

Answer: Interested applicants must submit a request for a LOS no later than Oct 10, 2025, by 5pm. The County cannot guarantee the surveys received after Oct 10, 2025, at 5pm will be evaluated. Applicants must submit one survey for each distinct project.

4. Does a LOS guarantee funding for services from DMH or SAPC?

Answer: No, a County letter of support does not guarantee funding for DMH nor DPH-SAPC services. This will be made clear on the LOS as well. In requesting a County LOS, you will need to attest that you have read and understand the DMH and DPH-SAPC requirements to become a County contracted provider and that your organization is capable of meeting those requirements. DHCS stipulates that projects must make a commitment to serve Medi-Cal beneficiaries. A County contract is necessary for providers serving Medi-Cal clients.

Information about County contracts and the solicitation process can be found on the County website in the "resources" section: Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure Program - Department of Mental Health

5. If a location will have one new program but part of the request includes existing services, can the request include partial existing services?

Answer: For any questions about what the project can include, please make sure you coordinate with AHP. You can also visit the official BHCIP website FAQ to find the terms: https://www.infrastructure.buildingcalhhs.com/please-define-the-term-expansion-as-related-to-bhcip-funding-2/

DMH - MENTAL HEALTH SPECIFIC QUESTIONS

6. Can you clarify why there wouldn't be a "forecasted need" for crisis residential since there are no children's crisis residential beds (new licensing category only recently created)? Also, where does crisis respite programs fit into these levels of care? Has that been deemed to be a "met" need in LAC?

Answer: Looking at the network need on the presented slide, we did not stratify nor differentiate based on age. The focus was an overall look by level of care versus facility type. Since PRTF and CCRP (both focused on youth) are relatively new options, we are still fine tuning our forecasting of these specific facility types. As we learn more about the local demand, we will share out.

Based on the RFA, it is an eligible facility type for BHCIP Bond Round 2.

7. Please share County's need for peer respites. And where can one find more information about the County's Peer Respite RFA (if available).

Answer: The MHSA three-year plan notes that Peer respites will provide care to support individuals in crisis to prevent homelessness and reduce hospitalizations. The Peer respite RFP will be released at a later date.

8. What fundable facility type would an ERS fall into?

Answer: ERS and CRTP levels of care qualify as Social Rehab Facility (SRF) in the DHCS eligible facility types.

9. Does DHM have an anticipated timeline for PRTF contracting/RFPs?

Answer: Development of the RFP is underway, but DMH does not have an anticipated timeline yet.

10. Can you clarify about current opportunities for legal entities to expand into day treatment?

Answer: For all contracting opportunities, please visit <u>Open Solicitations</u> - <u>Department of Mental Health</u>. If you don't find what you are looking for, please contact our contracts division at <u>Contracts@dmh.lacounty.gov</u>.

DPH-SAPC SUD QUESTIONS

11. What if we are interested in unlicensed Recovery Housing?

Answer: If this question is related to concerns about unlicensed Recovery Housing, you may contact the State Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) to submit complaints re: unlicensed Recovery Housing such as recovery residences/sober livings: https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/individuals/Pages/Sud-Complaints.aspx

If this question relates to Bond BHCIP Round 2 funding for Recovery Housing, they are not an eligible facility type for Bond BHCIP Round 2.

Further questions about Recovery Housing can be directed to Dr. Gary Tsai from the Substance Abuse Prevention and Control (SAPC) at gtsai@ph.lacounty.gov.

RESOURCES:

- LA County BHCIP Email: BHCIPGrantProcessing@dmh.lacounty.gov
- LA County BHCIP Website: https://dmh.lacounty.gov/bhcip/