

Snapshot of Federal Funding and Mechanisms for Addressing the Opioid Crisis

Agency	Focus Areas	Potential Mechanisms	Current or Upcoming Funding Opportunities
<p>SAMHSA Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, HHS</p>	<p>Providing funding to states to address the opioid epidemic and supporting technical assistance and evidence-based practices.</p> <p>Strengthen prevention, treatment, and recovery services; access to medication assisted treatment (MAT) services; and initiatives to train first responders on the use of overdose-reversal drugs.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State Block Grants • Technical Assistance Grants • Supplemental Grants 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In FY 2019 there should be about \$1.5 billion for block grants to states (15 percent set-aside for states with highest age-adjusted mortality rate related to OUD) to support response and expand access to treatment and recovery support services, including expanding access to MAT, increase distribution of naloxone, increase workforce development activities • SAMHSA-CES Partnership to Support Rural Communities Combating Opioid Misuse (also see USDA)
<p>NIH National Institutes of Health, HHS</p>	<p>Addiction and Opioid Use Disorder-- improve therapeutic approaches to addiction and overdose; enhancing pain management—understanding transition from acute to chronic pain, develop new non-addictive treatments for pain</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Other Transaction Authority (OTA) • Funding Opportunity Announcements (FOA) • Workshops • U Awards • Public-Private Partnership 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$1.1 billion trans-agency funding for the HEAL Initiative. • List of all funding announcements and notices: https://www.nih.gov/research-training/medical-research-initiatives/health-initiative/funding-announcements-opportunities
<p>CDC Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, HHS</p>	<p>Enhance CDC's Opioid Prescription Drug Overdose (PDO) program, by strengthening surveillance, data reporting, prescription drug monitoring program activities, and public awareness campaigns.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State and Local Grants • Technical Assistance Grants • Research grants • Emphasizing opioids and SUD in current opportunities and programs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$5 million is expected for a new initiative focused on the on the consequences of infectious disease (specifically Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C, and HIV) and the opioid epidemic. • Existing programs may emphasize opioids in re-competitions.
<p>AHRQ Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, HHS</p>	<p>Data to address the opioid epidemic, research, and ensuring providers have the tools needed to address the opioid epidemic.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investigator-initiated research 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AHRQ has issued a Special Emphasis Notice (SEN) that it is interested in receiving proposals focused on health services research and addressing the opioid epidemic. https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-HS-18-015.html (open)
<p>HRSA Health Resources and Services Administration, HHS</p>	<p>Expand substance and opioid addiction treatment and resources in high-risk, rural communities.</p> <p>Expand the workforce to address addiction/opioids</p> <p>Opioid-related activities focused on the maternal and child health population</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training Grants • Rural Focus Grants • Community Response Grants • NHSC • Mental and Behavioral Health workforce grants to health professions schools (BHWET). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rural Communities Opioid Response (planning grant FOA is closed but additional grants expected) • Funding for Federally Qualified Health Centers to expand access • HRSA is forecasting an expansion of the BHWET program to focus on community-based training focused on opioid use disorder. • New NHSC Loan Repayment Program (facilities that expand access to opioid and substance use disorder.)

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<p><u>DOJ</u> Department of Justice</p>	<p>Funding to enhance the justice system’s response to opioid misuse, including improved drug and mental health courts, data-driven solutions, the development of diversion programs, and several other initiatives to support victims and first responders.</p> <p>Expanded focus on opioids in existing funding opportunities, including support for research on opioids trafficking, markets, and use.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State, Local, and Tribal Grants • Grants or Cooperative Agreements with non-profit organizations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DOJ is expected to continue to make funding opportunities available for the research and implementation of innovative interventions related to the justice system’s role in combating the opioid epidemic in FY 2019 and beyond. • Funding cycle typically runs between December and July.
<p><u>DHS</u> Department of Homeland Security</p>	<p>Support for advanced research on new technologies and processes to help law enforcement agencies track and limit the transnational distribution of opioids.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Competitive grants 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open funding opportunities for compelling DHS research across many topics; no specific amount designated for addressing opioid epidemic.
<p><u>USDA</u> United States Department of Agriculture</p>	<p>Provide distance learning and telemedicine grants for rural areas.</p> <p>Facilities in rural areas.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Competitive grants • Loans 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Facilities Direct Loan & Grant Program • Distance learning and Telemedicine grant program • Rural Opioid Technical Assistance Grants (in partnership with SAMHSA, but limited to specific existing Extension programs) • NIFA and Rural Development grants