

CMHS/SAMHSA announces a pre-application technical assistance telephone conference call related to the recently released RFA No. SM-10-010 Mental Health Transformation Grants.

CMHS/SAMHSA staff will be available to provide technical assistance about RFA No. SM-10-010 Mental Health Transformation Grants via a conference call **Thursday, March 11, 2010 from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM Eastern Standard Time**. Interested parties may participate in the call by **dialing 888-942-9041 passcode: 9226747**. You may prepare for the call by reviewing the RFA which includes eligibility requirements and required forms related to Mental Health Transformation Grants. These materials can be downloaded from <http://samhsa.gov/grants/2010/SM-10-010.aspx> or by requesting a copy from SAMHSA's Health Information Network at 1-877-SAMHSA7 [TDD 1-800-487-4889].

SUMMARY: The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) has announced the availability of fiscal year 2010 funds for grants to support The purpose of this program is to foster adoption and implementation of permanent transformative changes in how public mental health services are organized, managed and delivered so that they are consumer-driven, recovery-oriented and supported through evidence-based and best practices.

It is expected that \$16.55 million will be available to fund 22 Mental Health Transformation Grants of \$750,000 each for up to five years. Funding will support States and local governments to create and/or expand treatment capacity within five of SAMHSA's Strategic Initiatives related to prevention and wellness, trauma-informed care, military families, housing and homelessness, jobs and the economy.

WHO CAN APPLY: Eligible applicants are State and local governments and federally recognized American Indian/Alaska Native Tribes and tribal organizations.

HOW TO APPLY: Applications for SM-10-010 are available by calling SAMHSA's Health Information Network at 1-877-SAMHSA7 [TDD 1-800-487-4889]. You may request a complete application kit from the SAMHSA Web site <http://www.samhsa.gov/grants/index.aspx> or <http://www.grants.gov>.

APPLICATION DUE DATE: Applications must be received by April 30, 2010.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Applicants with questions on program issues should contact David Morrisette at 240-276-1912 or via email at david.morrisette@samhsa.hhs.gov or Neal Brown at 240-276-1906 or via email at neal.brown@samhsa.hhs.gov . For questions on grants management issues, contact Gwendolyn Simpson at 240-276-1408 or gwendolyn.simpson@samhsa.hhs.gov.