

Grant & Per Diem (GPD)
Operational Call

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of Veterans Affairs

Housekeeping

- Today's call will be in lecture mode for the benefit of all participants



Overview of Today's Call

- Status of current GPD NOFAs
- Status of GPD grant renewals (option year 1)
- Case management grant regulations (new GPD grant)



GPD NOFAs Update

- Two NOFAs for GPD closed in February
 - Transition in Place (TIP)- February 21, 2018
 - Per Diem Only (PDO)- February 28, 2018
 - Both NOFA's were open to any eligible entity to apply
- GPD Office in the processing the current grant round.
- Next step will relate to notification to applicants



GPD NOFAs Update

- Notifications of conditional selection sent by registered mail on May 29, 2018.
 - Conditional selection notification
 - Not a guarantee of award but the applicant has reached the next phase of the process
 - Awards are not final until approved by SECVA and announced
 - Read the instructions of the conditional selection carefully and complete what is requested
 - Grant agreements will be included with the notification, conditional selection packages due back to our office on June 22, 2018



GPD NOFAs Update

- Notifications of non selection were mailed May 29, 2018
- Technical assistance webinar will be provided for non selected applicants on October 9, 2018 at 2pm eastern
- Detailed information regarding the webinar will be posted on our website in early October



GPD NOFAs Update

- All extended grants termination notification as of September 30, 2018, this notification was sent out May 31, 2018
 - Did not apply
 - Applied and conditionally selected or non-selected
- Two scenarios that apply to extended grants
 - Applied and conditionally selected
 - Should begin internal planning for these new awards that will begin on October 1, 2018



GPD NOFAs Update

- Extended grants that did not apply under this NOFA or were not conditionally selected.
 - Wind down these awards by stopping admissions as of June 15, 2018
 - Work with GPD liaisons, VA homeless programs and the community to work on transitioning Veterans by September 30, 2018
 - Extenuating circumstances regarding placement that cannot be resolved; extended grantees must:
 - Obtain approval of the continuation of service from their VA Liaison not later than August 31, 2018.



Status of GPD grant renewals

- Grantees that will be eligible for Option Year 1 of their PDO award were required to submit their request for renewal and a progress report by May 1, 2018
 - This included requests for re-alignment of beds
- We sent renewal notifications out on May 29, 2018
 - This would include renewal grant agreements that must be signed and returned by June 22, 2018.
 - If you also had a grant agreement sent to you for this year's NOFA, they were sent in the same package



Case Management Grant

- June 5, 2018 VA amended its regulations to implement a new grant program that will provide case management services to improve retention.
 - Grant will be under GPD authority
 - Provide case management services for Veterans transitioning to permanent housing (e.g. exits from GPD and or Healthcare for Homeless Veterans residential programs)
 - Not to duplicate services provided by SSVF and/or HUD VASH
 - Anticipate NOFA for this grant next Fiscal Year (FY 2019)



Case Management Grant

- Link to Interim final rule: <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2018/06/05/2018-12048/case-management-services-grant-program>
- Comments must be received by August 6, 2018
 - Instructions regarding comments can be found on the web page noted in the link above
- More details to come on this grant as information becomes available



GPD Email Contact Information

- GPDinquiry@va.gov –for general program questions, current operational grant questions
- GPDgrants@va.gov –for NOFA related questions
- GPDfiscal@va.gov – for questions to GPD staff about fiscal inquires



Final Thoughts

- Read the conditional selection correspondence from the GPD Office closely
 - Complete and sign grant agreement and return them by June 22, 2018
- If you receive a conditional selection letter it is not a final award, this is the next step in the process.
 - Final awards must be approved by Secretary before announcement by VA



Final Thoughts

- Extended grants end on September 30, 2018
 - If your organization did not apply under this recent NOFA or receive a non-selection letter you should begin to plan to wind down your grant per the guidance in the correspondence
 - If your organization submitted an application and are conditionally selected planning for transition to new awards on October 1, 2018 prudent



Final Thoughts

- Grantees that submitted renewal requests for option year 1 of your grant award will receive separate correspondence
 - We anticipate that will come out in couple of weeks
 - Read that information closely and there will be a grant agreement that will also need to be signed and returned by June 22, 2018

