

Program / Service Specifications

PSS # 118

Prevention Services and Regional Prevention Needs Assessment

Funding Available	Capacity to be Purchased	Geographic Location
\$50,000	n/a	Region V
Contractual Expectations/ Performance Measures:	<p>C Primary prevention shall address one of the following CSAP strategies: Environmental, Alternatives, Education</p> <p>C Primary prevention efforts shall be documented in quarterly progress reports submitted to the Region.</p> <p>C It is expected that a needs assessment will provide answers to the following questions:</p> <p>T What is the extent of ATOD use/abuse within Region V?</p> <p>T What risk and protective factors are leading or preventing this use/abuse?</p> <p>T Where are the gaps in services needed to prevent ATOD use/abuse?</p>	

General Summary:

Prevention programs shall encompass current research, theory, and practice-based strategies and activities implemented through structured primary prevention services. These services are intended to preclude, forestall, or impede the development of alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use, misuse, and/or abuse and their associated health and social consequences. Prevention programs shall adhere to the six strategies (Information Dissemination, Problem Identification and Referral, Alternatives, Environmental, Community-Based, and Prevention Education) as defined by the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP) and as outlined in the Nebraska Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention Program Operating Standards. Prevention is “decisive counteraction to stop something from happening,” which provides individuals with information and resources to raise their awareness of both risky and healthy behaviors and helps shape environments to promote health and protect people from harm.

Special Considerations:

Each proposed prevention program/activity (including needs assessment) must be submitted as a separate proposal (i.e., program plan, budget, etc.).

Each activity shall address one or more of the three (CSAP) prevention strategies noted in the Contractual Expectations/ Performance Measures section of this PSS.

Primary prevention and needs assessment proposals should clearly identify how this is different from what is already happening in the Region or how current prevention activities will be enhanced.

The need for the proposed activities must be clearly identified and explained in detail.

Target Population:

The target population shall include, but is not limited to: the general population; youth and adults who are at risk for a substance abuse problem; families or friends, or both, of persons at risk for a substance abuse problem; school students and school officials; community groups mobilizing to combat substance abuse, including civic and volunteer organizations, churches, businesses, state and municipal governments, and related community organizations; or, employers of persons at risk for a substance abuse problem.

Services and/or Frequency of Service / Therapeutic Contact:

Primary prevention activities shall have the capability to provide and shall provide one or more of the six prevention strategies. Activities may also be for the purpose of prevention needs assessment encompassing the Region V geographic area.

Staffing Requirements:

Individuals employed in primary prevention and/or needs assessment services shall meet the minimum standards for a registered prevention generalist as determined by the Nebraska Prevention Registry within the first 18 months of employment.