



Office of Mental Health

Youth Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) Team Western Region Request for Proposals 2023

Questions & Answers

1. How many times has the Youth ACT Western Region RFP been reissued?

While there were previous RFPs issued for Western New York Region, this is the first time that an RFP has been issued for one team serving either Tioga/Tompkins or Cattaraugus/Chautauqua counties.

2. Why is the RFP for the Youth ACT Western Region being reissued?

Awards were made from a 2021 RFP in the Western Region however there were no applications received from the last RFP, therefore the RFP is being reissued with new specific counties.

3. Was an award issued by NYS OMH for its solicitation issued 10/5/2022 for “Youth Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) Team – Western Region?”

No, an award was not issued.

4. Were awards issued by NYS OMH for the two teams allocated for the Western NY region for its solicitation issued March 2022 for “Youth ACT Statewide?”

Only one award was issued, to serve Chemung/Steuben counties, of the two potential awards available.

5. Can the Prescriber offer services via telehealth?

Yes, a Prescriber can offer services via telehealth if needed. Youth ACT anticipates that 80% of contacts will be in the community but understands that situations arise where telehealth would be an appropriate option for quality care. **Providers, including Prescribers, should prioritize in-person service delivery.** Please refer to the [Telehealth Services Guidance for OMH Providers - April 2023 \(ny.gov\)](#)

6. Can the prescriber (if NPP) receive their supervision through Telehealth?

An NPP can receive virtual supervision.

7. Why is the service dollar allowance the same for 36 and 48?

This is the current Youth ACT fiscal model.

8. Can an awardee request to transition from 36 slots to 48 slots if the need is greater than anticipated once in operation?

An awardee, through consultation with OMH Central Office, Regional OMH Field Office, and the Local County Government(s), could potentially transition from a 36-slot to a 48-slot team.