

#### Capital for New Psychiatric RTF for Children and Adolescents RFP#OMH109 Questions & Answers

# Q1. Is there flexibility to create a smaller unit > 14 beds in an existing RTF equipped building, with or without a specialized population?

A1. A new program with a smaller unit greater than 14 beds is permitted in an existing building. A new program with a smaller unit less than 14 beds is permitted in an existing building. OMH will accept proposals for new RTF programs of 8 or more RTF beds located in the Hudson River and Long Island Regions. Should an awardee from the Hudson River or Long Island Regions have a proposal for a new RTF program of 8-13 beds, the awardee will be required to submit a 501 C waiver for Part 584.5(e) at the time of Comprehensive PAR submission to OMH. Applicants proposing to establish a new RTF program in the New York City Region with fewer than 14 beds will not be accepted for review.

# Q2. If an agency has space that will already meet regulation for new RTF beds, can the funds be used to rehab another unit to move a non-RTF program into to free up the space for RTF expansion?

A2. No, this is not a permissible use of Capital RTF funds.

### Q3. Will OMH allow a Construction Management Approach if new construction or major renovation is needed?

A3. No. The regulations for the OMH capital funding require fixed price bidding to general contractors.

# Q4. What about the counties not listed in any of the three regions identified in the RFP? Can we apply for those?

A4. No, only the regions and counties identified in the RFP are eligible for this opportunity.

### Q5. Would you consider a proposal for less than 14 beds if the site was immediately available?

A5. OMH will accept proposals for new RTF programs of 8 or more RTF beds located in the Hudson River and Long Island Regions. Should an awardee from the Hudson River or Long Island Regions have a proposal for a new RTF program of 8-13 beds, the awardee will be required to submit a 501 C waiver for Part 584.5(e) at the time of Comprehensive PAR submission to OMH. Applicants proposing to establish a new RTF program in the New York City Region with fewer than 14 beds will not be accepted for review.

Q6. Would you consider a 14-bed proposal in two separate locations within a region?

A6. Proposals for new RTF programs with units in physical plants which are adjacent to one another, totaling at least the minimum number of permissible beds per RTF by region, are permitted.