



Round Four Innovation Grants Funding Opportunity: Request for Proposals (RFP) Coming April 26, 2017

Alameda County Behavioral Health Care Services (BHCS) is pleased to announce that funding will be available from and Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Round 4 Innovations (INN4). The MHSA INN grants are designed to improve client/consumer outcomes by providing the system with an opportunity to learn from innovative approaches.

Two INN4 Request For Proposals (RFPs) are projected to be released on Wednesday, April 26, 2017.

RFP#1: INN4a- Mental Health and Technology

Available INN4A funding: Up to \$2 million for entire scope of work; \$180k per project.

BHCS seeks a qualified community based provider to design, develop and implement a pilot project utilizing an *innovative* web-based/ smart phone app with community based mental health services to increase access to services and improve mental health outcomes. BHCS seeks contractors for three separate project categories.

- 1) Age based Consumer Centered Care Coordination App
- 2) Tele-Health for Substance Use Disorders App
- 3) Consumer designed Housing Services Website

RFP #2: INN4b - Workforce Development, Education and Training (WET) High School & Undergraduate Pathways

Available INN Funds: Up to \$1.5 million for entire RFP scope of work

Innovative projects will support high school and undergraduate pathways that lead to careers in the mental and behavioral health field. BHCS seeks to diversify our workforce by supporting projects that help underrepresented students from underserved communities to pursue careers in the mental and behavioral health field. Only qualifying organizations (such as school districts in Alameda County, two and four year colleges, and CBOs) may apply. Individuals are not eligible to apply.

Projects must be implemented within the 18-month period tentatively beginning August 1, 2017 and ending January 31, 2019. The number of grantees and award amounts will be dependent upon the proposals received. Only qualifying organizations may apply. Individuals are not eligible to apply. More to come on RFP details.