

**STATE TARGETED RESPONSE TO THE OPIOID CRISIS (OPIOID STR) PROGRAM
DATA COLLECTION AND PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT**

SUPPORTING STATEMENT

B. Collections of Information Employing Statistical Methods

B.1 Potential Respondent Universe and Respondent Selection Method

B.1.1 Respondent Universe

Fifty (50) states and seven (7) jurisdictions are the award recipients that will be included in this data collection. Progress reporting from all award recipients is necessary, and based on aggregated data and used to monitor progress as well as assess effectiveness and best practices.

B.1.2 Sampling Methods

The sampling plan is a census of all Opioid STR award recipients. There is a need for a census of information from all grantees to monitor progress and provide feedback on planned activities and performance in a timely manner. Government project officers need access to periodic information for discussions with grantees about progress and achievement of program goals, as well as to report progress of the Opioid STR program overall.

B.2 Information Collection Procedures

The data collection procedure is to allow award recipients access to the Opioid STR section of the Web BGAS online portal to submit program-specific data (all award recipients currently have access to Web BGAS, as data collection means for an existing grant program). The progress report includes quantitative questions and the methods selected for this progress report have been determined based on several factors including: this is the most cost-effective method of reaching the target audience, and this is the best method to maximize response rates while minimizing burden to participants.

Progress reports are expected to be received every 6 months, beginning in April 2018. To support this effort, an Opioid STR section in Web BGAS will be open to accept data twice a year, at approximately 6-month intervals, over a period of up to 2 years (unless SAMHSA is authorized to administer this program for a longer time frame).

B.3 Methods to Maximize Response Rates

To maximize initial response rates, the following protocols will be used to minimize burden on grantee administrators. Respondents will be asked to complete the progress report electronically. Within 2 weeks of progress report access, reminder emails will be sent to encourage respondents to complete the progress report. Additional follow-up emails will be sent to respondents who

have not yet participated, followed by a telephone call 1 week after the final reminder email, in an effort to maximize response rates. In addition, all respondents will be informed of the significance of the progress report to encourage their participation. Finally, the efficiency of the progress report and the protections in place to protect data will make progress report completion more amenable to participants.

B.4 Test of Procedures

The progress reporting instrument for Opioid STR was reviewed by internal technical advisers who provided feedback on measurement quality, potential burden, and ease of administration. The existing data collection instrument that will be expanded to incorporate the progress report performance measures have been tested and revised per feedback received over the past 10 years. The current measures were based on the needs for this specific grant program and are in alignment with existing methods. There have been no critical comments expressed by the respondents on the appropriateness of the questions or other topics.

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LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A – State Targeted Response to the Opioid Crisis (Opioid STR) Program Performance Measurement Progress Reporting Instrument

Attachment B – Comment

Attachment C – Response