

# 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 were recipients of the State Targeted Responses to the Opioid Crisis Grant (Opioid STR) program and are included in this data collection. All award recipients are required to submit progress reports biannually. Progress reporting is based on aggregated data and is used to monitor progress and 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 allows award recipients access to the Opioid STR section of the Web Block Grant Application System (BGAS) online portal to submit program-specific data (all award recipients currently have access to Web BGAS). The award recipients' progress in addressing the opioid crisis is partially assessed through the submission of data in compliance with the Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant (SABG) standard reporting requirements (42 U.S.C. 300x-52(b)). The SABG standard report tables were modified to collect opioid use disorder prevention, treatment, and recovery opioid use disorder data.

Progress reports are received every 6 months, which began in October 2017. To support this effort, an Opioid STR section in Web BGAS is 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 response rates, the following protocols are used to minimize burden on grantee administrators. Respondents are asked to complete the progress report electronically. Within 2 weeks of progress report access, reminder emails are sent to encourage respondents to complete the progress report. Additional follow-up emails are sent to respondents who have not yet

submitted a progress report, followed by a telephone call 1 week after the final reminder email, in an effort to maximize response rates. In addition, all respondents are informed of the significance of the progress report to encourage their participation. Finally, the efficiency of the progress report and the protections are in place to protect data 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.

#### **B.5 Statistical Consultants**

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## **ATTACHMENT**

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