

**Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA)
Prescription Drug Monitoring Program
FY 2008 Competitive Grant Announcement
Frequently Asked Questions**

1. What is the deadline for applications?

All applications are due by 8:00 p.m. e.t. on February 14, 2008.

2. How do I apply for this funding?

All applications must be submitted via Grants.gov: www.grants.gov. If you have any difficulty with the system, please contact Grants.gov at:

Grants.gov Contact Center (Monday–Friday, 7:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m., e.t.)

1-800-518-4726

support@grants.gov

It is important that you regularly update your registration information. If your information is not updated, you may not be able to apply for this funding opportunity.

3. Who is eligible to apply for this grant program?

Applicants are limited to state governments ("state" includes the 50 states, the District of Columbia, Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Northern Mariana Islands, U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, and American Samoa).

4. May a state that has legislation pending, but not enacted, apply for an Implementation grant?

States with pending legislation or regulations may apply for an Implementation grant, but they will not be awarded a grant unless the legislation or regulations are in place at the time that funding decisions are made.

5. What are the funding categories?

States may submit an application in one of three categories: 1) Planning: grants which have an award maximum of \$50,000 and a project period of 15 months; 2) Implementation: grants which have an award maximum of \$400,000 and a project period of 24 months; and 3) Enhancement: grants which have an award maximum of \$400,000 and a project period of 24 months.

6. Can any portion of the Enhancement grant be used towards operating expenses?

Up to 25 percent of an enhancement grant can be used toward PDMP operating expenses. The remaining funds should be used to enhance the functioning of an existing program. For examples of allowable enhancements, please see the description on page 2 of the solicitation.

7. What type of technical assistance is available for grantees?

Currently, technical assistance for the BJA Prescription Drug Monitoring Program is provided by the National Alliance for Model State Drug Laws (www.natlalliance.org/).

8. Instructions state that the budget worksheet and narrative should be submitted in one file. The worksheet is a fill-in-the-blanks form. Where will the narrative appear?

The budget worksheet and narrative must be submitted as one document under the other attachments form. The form provided can be copied and saved into a WordPerfect or Word document, with the narrative added after the worksheet.

9. When is the funding start date?

Proposed project start dates should be on or after October 1, 2008.