FY 2007 Prescription Drug Monitoring Program Solicitation Frequently Asked Questions

1. 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.

2. How many funding categories are there?

There are three categories: Planning grants, which have an award maximum of \$50,000 and a project period of 15 months; Implementation grants, which have an award maximum of \$400,000 and a project period of 24 months; and Enhancement grants, which have an award maximum of \$400,000 and a project period of 24 months. For more information on each category, see the "Award Categories" section of the solicitation (page 2).

- 3. What type of technical assistance is available for the first-year Planning grants? Currently, technical assistance for the BJA Prescription Drug Monitoring Program is provided by the National Alliance for Model State Drug Laws (www.natlalliance.org/).
- 4. Are the additional requirements (page 8 of announcement) required at the time of application or at time of award, if funded?

In the application process in Grants.gov, applicants will be required to acknowledge and agree to these requirements. However, no paperwork will need to be completed unless an award is made.

5. 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. For problems with attachments, please contact Maria Bailey at Maria.Bailey@usdoj.gov.

6. When is the funding start date?

Applicants may begin their proposed project dates on or after October 1, 2007, when the funding is awarded.

7. How should our budget be presented?

The budget worksheet and narrative must be submitted as one document; a sample is found through the hyperlink listed on page 8 of the solicitation. The form provided can be copied and saved into a WordPerfect or Word document, and narrative can be added after the work sheet information. For problems with attachments, please contact Maria Bailey at Maria.Bailey@usdoj.gov. Recognize also that the Budget Detail Worksheet is used as a guide to assist the reviewers in comparing activities proposed with budget items requested. We also recommend that you visit the Office of the Comptroller's (OC) web page at www.oip.usdoj.gov/oc/ for additional assistance related to your budget