

**Substance Use Treatment and Recovery Transformation (START) Initiative
Application to Participate as a Primary Care Provider**

**Friday, March 15, 2019
Q&A Conference Call**

1. What are the specific responsibilities if I were to sign-up?
 - The requirements and SOW for the two pathways are outlined in the Primary Care Recruitment Information that is available on DSAMH's website:
<https://www.dhss.delaware.gov/dhss/dsamh/startexp.html>
2. How many providers in the same practice can participate? Are the payments by provider or by practice (i.e. 3 providers = 3 times the payments)?
 - This phase of the recruitment of PCPs, we will be disseminating awards by practice, not provider. Therefore, one award per practice, regardless of how many providers work for the practice. So your practice would be eligible for one award of either \$10,000 or \$49,999 depending on the pathway you choose. However, if your practice is chosen, all providers within that practice could participate in any of the learning sessions and technical assistance that is provided as part of the initiative.
3. Can non-physicians such as Nurse Practitioners and Physician Assistants also apply?
 - Awards will be given to a practice vs. individual providers within a practice. All providers within that practice could participate in any of the learning sessions and technical assistance that is provided as part of the initiative.
4. How should we apply, as an ACO or have practices apply separately?
 - Practices should apply independently of the ACO. An ACO, however, can submit applications on behalf of the their practices.
5. For the treatment pathway, is it required for the PCP to provide the behavioral health services/therapy internally, or will they be connected to a provider for behavioral health services?
 - It is not required for PCPs to provide the behavioral health interventions within the practice, but they will be expected to have a relationship with a provider who can provide those services. There will be a grace period for establishing the relationship (i.e., a provider does not need to have the relationship/agreement in place to be eligible to participate).
6. As part of the learning collaborative, can PCPs visit other PCPs who are implementing MAT observe their processes?
 - Yes, this type of peer-to-peer learning can be facilitated through the learning collaborative.
7. With the learning collaborative, is there any flexibility in the technical assistance so that if someone from a practice receives the training, they can take it back to their practice and train others who were not able to attend/participate?
 - Yes, any of the online TA sessions will be archived and available online for all organizations participating in the learning collaborative. In addition, for any of the one-on-one sessions that occur, there will be a worksheet that captures any notes and follow-up items that can be discussed with other members of the team who were not able to participate in the coaching/TA session.