

Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant (PHHSBG)



Block Grant Reporting to LRC

Department for Public Health/Division of Prevention and Quality/Chronic Disease Prevention Branch

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<p>Proposed Distribution of Funds</p>	<p>The Kentucky Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant (PHHSBG) is a cornerstone public health program for preventing disease, illness, and injury. It is designed to provide the flexibility to implement, support, and coordinate statewide prevention efforts while at the same time creating efficiencies that eliminate duplication of effort. U.S. Code Title 42, chapter 6A, subchapter XVII Part A-Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grants, defines the purpose of the PHHSBG program in each state.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Be tailored to the unique preventive health needs of states/territories and their communities. 2. Emphasize use of evidence-based and promising practices in primary and secondary prevention. 3. Emphasize state/territorial health priorities and goal setting, including a focus on health equity. 4. Support capacity-building activities related to accreditation, quality improvement, performance management, and foundational capabilities that are essential to the successful implementation of the PHHSBG in states and their communities. 5. Continue to refine and develop its strategy for ensuring accountability and reporting results based on existing state-selected measures and/or new national measures such as the Healthy People 2020 Leading Health Indicators. <p>Funding priorities are determined in collaboration with and approved by the PHHSBG Advisory Committee. Distribution of funds have been approved by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and a Notice of Award received for the following programs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accreditation, Performance Management, and Quality Improvement • Public Health Transformation – Local Public Health Priorities (includes Community Health Action Teams, Community Health Workers, and Cancer Program Support) • Health Care Access – Kentucky Prescription Assistance Program • Kentucky Asthma Management Program & COPD Program • Office of Health Equity • Education and Workforce Development - Public Health TRAIN <p>Additionally, there is a mandatory Sexual Assault set-aside determined by the Centers for Disease Control.</p>
<p>Programmatic and other requirements applicable to the receipt and expenditure of funds, including matching funds and restriction on funds</p>	<p>Programmatic Restrictions: PHHSBG grants are restricted until full applications meeting all federal legislative and program requirements are received.</p> <p>No matching funds are required</p> <p>Maintenance of Effort (MOE) is required according to the Notice of Award and authorized in Title 42, Chapter 6A, Subchapter XVII, Part A, Section 300w-3. The state agrees to maintain State expenditures for such activities at a level that is not less than the average level of such expenditures maintained by the State for the prior 2-year period. MOE for Kentucky is \$342,805.</p>
<p>Have the funds been included specifically in an appropriation provision enacted by the General Assembly?</p>	<p>Funds are accounted for in the biennial budget which is approved by the General Assembly.</p>

Is the funding one-time, recurring or continuing?	Kentucky has received PHHSBG funds annually since 1981. For each award cycle, Kentucky has two years to expend the funds. The current PHHSBG Notice of Award funding is for period October 1, 2018-September 30, 2020. Funding is made available from CDC through the Prevention and Public Health Funds attached to the Affordable Care Act. States can only apply for PHHSBG funding when the CDC calls for applications. The CDC notified states of the call for applications on March 14, 2019, with applications due by July 1, 2019. The Notice of Award was received on August 9, 2019 for this time-period.
What costs will accrue to the state if funds are diminished or cut and has a budget reduction plan been prepared for such contingency?	Should Kentucky receive a notice of budget reduction from the CDC, the PHHSBG Advisory Committee would be convened and a redetermination of priorities and redistribution of funds and revised workplan would be completed and submitted. Contingency plans would include reduction in services and workforce, elimination of programs all together and review of budgets and/or application for other grants. Local health departments would choose whether to sustain local programs or may eliminate those as well.
Are the programs and services to be provided mandated by Kentucky law?	<p>211.180 Functions of cabinet in the regulation of certain health matters</p> <p>(1) The cabinet shall enforce the administrative regulations promulgated by the secretary of the Cabinet for Health and Family Services for the regulation and control of the matters set out below and shall formulate, promote, establish, and execute policies, plans, and programs relating to all matters of public health, including but not limited to the following matters:</p> <p>(a) Detection, prevention, and control of communicable diseases, chronic and degenerative diseases...</p> <p>http://www.lrc.ky.gov/Statutes/statute.aspx?id=8359</p>
Are the programs and services to be provided ones which Kentucky currently administers and funds?	Yes. The Kentucky Department for Public Health, local health departments on behalf of KDPH and the Department for Community Based Services for the mandatory Sexual Assault Set-Aside all provide services.
What agencies are expected to provide the service and are they state, local , public or private?	Primarily the State health department will provide programs, services and assistance. Local health departments will be part of the delivery system. The Department for Community Based Services will provide technical assistance and services for the mandatory Sexual Assault set-aside. University contracts may be utilized for subject matter-experts.
The manner in which the allocation of funds will be targeted to need	<p>The PHHSBG application includes sections that describe burden of need in the state, disparate populations, and priorities. The PHHSBG Advisory Committee reviews and recommends priority-funding based on information submitted by KDPH. Per guidelines from CDC, gaps in funding or programs for which there is no funding, evidence-based public health, public health infrastructure, and emerging needs must be considered in the workplan and budget.</p> <p>Prohibited Uses: (1) Provide inpatient services; (2) make cash payments to intended recipients of health services;(3) purchase or improve land, purchase, construct, or permanently improve any building or other facility, or purchase major medical equipment; (4) satisfy any requirements for the expenditure of non-Federal funds as a condition for the receipt of Federal funds, or (5) provide financial assistance to any entity other than a public or nonprofit private entity.</p>
Geographic areas to be served by the program and service	The entire state is served although funding is limited.
Standards of eligibility for services	Services are subject to the eligibility requirements and amount of funding available for each program approved in the PHHSBG workplan submitted to CDC. All program activities must be consistent with

	making progress toward achieving the objectives established by the Secretary of HHS for the health status of the population of the United States. Monitoring and evaluation of grant activities is required.
The criteria and method that will be used to distribute the funds	The programs which will be funded are approved by the Advisory Committee and then reviewed and approved through the workplan and application submitted to the CDC. Upon receipt of the Notice of Award, funds may then be distributed. Funds that are distributed to local health departments are completed through a Request for Application (RFA) process in which local health departments request funding based on each county or community priorities. Contracts are then executed through Administration and Financial Management.
Will the funds be transferred from one grant to another and the amount of the transfer?	No funds are transferred to other grants.
The proportion of funds to be used for administrative costs	No more than 10% of the total grant amount awarded can be used for administrative costs.
Estimated receipt of funds applied for	Current funding amount approved for 10/01/2018-9/30/2020 is \$2,091,008. Mandatory distribution to the Department for Community Based Services (DCBS) for the Sexual Assault set aside is \$97,025.