

EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICES AND PROGRAMS

What are Evidence-Based Practices and Programs?

The President's New Freedom Commission on Mental Health states “evidence-based practice (EBP) is defined by the Institute of Medicine as – the integration of best researched evidence and clinical expertise with patient values.” Evidence-based programs consist of collections of practices that are done within known parameters and with accountability to the consumers and funders of those practices. Evidence-based programs represent a way to translate the conceptual, goal-oriented needs of program funders and agency directors into the specific methods necessary for effective treatment management and quality control. The Foundation is open to both evidence-based practices and evidence-based programs.

Why Are We Funding Evidence-Based Practices and Programs

The Evidence-Based practices and programs is an extension of previous foundation grants. The Foundation will continue to fund research, development, evaluation and implementation of evidence and research into clinical and community settings.

What Is The Goal of This Program?

The goal of this RFP is to continue to research, develop, evaluate and implement evidence-based practices and programs relating to serious mental illness. Two year grants will be awarded ranging from \$75,000 to \$125,000 per year (\$1.0 million of \$3.2 million grant budget) to address the following objectives:

- Research, develop, evaluate and implement translation of evidence-based practices and programs into clinical and community settings.
- Research, assess and evaluate fidelity to implementation