



## HealthySteps 2 RFA – Questions and Answers

1. Would there be any consideration given to opening the grant to an OB practice? In upstate NY the layout is different. There are some OB offices that are attached to the hospitals and or family medicine. We do not have that kind of capacity.

ANSWER – No. See Section 1.D. Eligible Applicants. Eligible applicants are pediatric, or family medical practices located in New York State whose population includes children ages 0-3 and can deliver or have the potential to deliver well-child visits in the pediatric or family medicine setting

2. Do we need a healthcare provider on site to receive this grant?

ANSWER - Yes.

3. In the Grants Gateway, there is an entry that states the Estimated Award Date is 2/02/2022. Is this a typo?

ANSWER – Yes, this was a typo in the build of the Grants Gateway. As stated in the RFP, the Estimated Award Date is 2/02/2023.

4. How many sites can an agency apply for that already has a HealthySteps grant in place for another site within the same group practice?

ANSWER – Three. See RFA Section 1.D. Eligible Applicants. Up to three (3) applications from the same health system may apply to establish a new HealthySteps site at a **different location**.

5. Is the 50% Medicaid and CHP an absolute requirement for eligibility? Practices with over a thousand 0-3 year old patients who are part of a larger group practice would be excluded just because less than 50%, 41% for example, are not covered by a New York State program is beneficial to others who are not, how? Who chose the 50% threshold and on what basis was that specific percentage chosen?

ANSWER –Yes. All practices including private practices, must have a payer mix of at-least 50% Medicaid and/or Child Health Plus. See RFA Section 1.D. Eligible Applicants.

6. Must the HealthySteps Specialist be a Masters-trained mental health provider? If not, is there a minimal qualification?

ANSWER – No. See Section 1. E. 1. At minimum, the HealthySteps Specialist must hold a bachelor’s degree in early childhood or a related field.

7. Does an agency that already has a Gateway account for a current OMH contract need to register another account on the Gateway for each of the other locations for which we intend to apply?

ANSWER – Once registered, that account would allow for the entity to apply for an opportunity for which they are eligible to apply but the applicant must ensure they are submitting application(s) and maintaining Prequalified status as the individual RFP/RFA directs/states.

8. Can you confirm that for-profit, private physician practices do NOT need to submit to a “Prequalification” process.

ANSWER – All applicants must be appropriately registered with the Gateway in order to apply but for-profit entities are exempt from the Prequalification component/process.

9. My health system already has HealthySteps in a few clinics, but we have capacity to expand to new clinics that deliver well-child visits and do not yet have HealthySteps. Can we apply for funding?

ANSWER – Yes. See RFA Section 1.D. Eligible Applicants. Up to three (3) applications from the same health system may apply to establish a new HealthySteps site at a different location.

10. My health system applied for the previous OMH HealthySteps RFA released earlier this year. We received a Conditional Award letter from OMH indicating we would receive funding to implement the model in those clinics. We have additional clinics that deliver well-child visits and do not have HealthySteps, and these clinics were not included in our previous RFA applications. Can we respond to this new RFA to implement the model in an additional three new clinics?

ANSWER – Yes. See Section 1. D. Eligible applicants. If a health system received an award in the HealthySteps RFA released in June of 2022, they are eligible to apply to establish up to three additional sites at different locations under this Round Two 2022 RFA.