

## Questions and Answers FY2025 Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA)

Responses to questions will be posted to this document within 7 calendar days of receipt.

The deadline for receipt of written questions is May 27, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.

Please submit your questions to <a href="mailto:mbcc@mt.gov">mbcc@mt.gov</a>.

**ATTENTION:** This funding opportunity is for grant funding that the Montana Board of Crime Control (MBCC) administers that originates from the United States Department of Health and Human Services (USHHS). To continue program activities designed to maintain public safety services, MBCC has determined that it will proceed with this funding opportunity. MBCC anticipates that new grant guidance may be issued in 2025 to reflect USHHS's revised policies and priorities. New USHHS guidance could change the terms and conditions and the availability of funding for any grants that are executed from this funding opportunity. MBCC will share new grant conditions, guidance, and requirements with all grantees as they become available. In some instances, executed grant awards may be revised or cancelled.

**Q1:** The Blackfeet Tribe Finance Dept. is just finishing up their 2023 audit so we don't have a current IDC rate. What can we do in lieu of IDC? Can we use an administrative rate? If so, what is the rate?

A1: If the Blackfeet Tribe does not have an approved IDC, they can use a de minimis rate of up to 15% or propose a reasonable allocation of administrative costs that are allowable under the FVPSA grant. <a href="eccupation">eCFR</a> :: 2 CFR Part 200 Subpart E - Direct and Indirect Costs

**Q2:** Can we put a person's name in for a position under the salary and fringe on the MTBCC proposal?

**A2:** Yes, you can put a person's name under personnel and fringe, you can also put the name of the position under personnel and fringe just in case of employee turnover.

**Q3:** When I went to the DOJ website to download my organization's EEOP Certification, I found the following information posted. Can you please advise us how we are to proceed if this tool does not come back online before the submission deadline?

## **EEOP Notice**

## Description

Thank you for visiting the web site of the Office for Civil Rights (OCR). We recognize some recipients are required to submit EEOP information for compliance purposes. However, OCR is temporarily pausing this collection of information as we evaluate this program and has removed this page and the associated



tool. While this page is unavailable, OCR will not collect or review EEOP submissions from recipients. We will update this site with additional information as it becomes available, so please check back for updates.

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**A3:** Take a snippet of the statement that you received on the EEOP page when trying to get your EEOP certification.

**Q4:** My question is whether to account for the Clinical Interns and their stipends in the 'Personnel' section of the budget and treat the stipends as wages and the interns as exempt employees, -OR- in the 'Other' section, and treat the stipends as a training cost.

**A4:** If stipends for Interns or others are considered wages per legal counsel, please list them in the personnel category. If they are considered Contractors by legal counsel, list them under Contracts.