

## Request for Proposal (RFP)

**Application Name:** 2022 Central Oregon Naloxone Grant

**Access Code:** Naloxone22

**Organization Name:** Central Oregon Health Council; Pain Standards Task Force (PSTF)

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## About the Pain Standards Task Force

The Pain Standards Task Force is a division of the [Central Oregon Health Council](#) (COHC). The PSTF was established to address the opioid crisis in Central Oregon. The PSTF is made up of health care and community volunteers working to increase safe prescribing practices, reduce opioid overdoses, and enhance patient care for those with chronic and acute pain. They do this by coordinating the efforts of public health, medical, payer, and patient communities.

The COHC is a not-for-profit, tax-exempt public and private community governance organization. The COHC partners with their communities to guide and align vision, strategy, and activities across industries for a healthier Central Oregon.

## Description of Grant Opportunity

Funds are available exclusively to organizations for the purchase of naloxone and Narcan. The total pool of funds is \$18,500, which covers the entire Central Oregon region. Selected organizations may either:

- Request funding for different forms of naloxone (injectable, nasal adapter, nasal spray), or;
- Order Narcan (naloxone nasal spray) directly through the COHC's supplier at \$75/pack (each pack contains 2 doses).

## Why are these efforts needed?

Naloxone is a life-saving medicine that reverses, or undoes, an overdose of opioids and some other drugs (e.g. morphine, oxycontin/oxycodone, fentanyl, and heroin).

Fentanyl, a powerful synthetic opioid that is 50 to 100 times more potent than morphine, is often found mixed into other "street drugs" including heroin, meth, cocaine, ecstasy (molly), etc.

Every person using a drug that carries a risk of overdose should have Naloxone available. Emergency services and law enforcement in Central Oregon carry Naloxone, but anyone can carry it and use it to save a life. The Good Samaritan Law protects anyone who administers Naloxone from liability for the outcome of the person they administered it to.

Naloxone comes in many forms - the nasal spray is the most common. There are also injectable forms. Learn more about naloxone [HERE](#).

## Application Requirements

- The naloxone purchased through this grant must be used or distributed within Crook, Deschutes, Jefferson and Northern Klamath Counties and/or serve the sovereign nations of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Klamath Tribes, and the Cow Creek Band Of Umpqua Tribe Of Indians.
- Applicants must describe:
  - their organization's need for naloxone
  - how they will utilize the naloxone
  - the population they serve

## Awardee Requirements

If selected, applicants are required to track the utilization or distribution of the naloxone and complete a brief final report.

### Evaluation Criteria:

The *Pain Standards Task Force* will review your grant application using this [scorecard](#). We encourage you to use it to help build your application.

## Funding Details and Important Information

### Award Pool

\$18,500

### Anticipated Selection Schedule:

Application Due Date: August 15, 2022 by 12PM PST

Decision Notification: September 28, 2022 by email

## How to Apply

This Request for Proposal (RFP) is posted on our website: [HERE](#)

For instructions on how to access the application, please click [HERE](#).

Once registered and logged into the grant platform, use this access code to apply for this grant:  
**“Naloxone22”**

## Support

If you have questions about this Request for Applications, please contact:

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