

## Q&A for Funding Opportunity: Suicide Bereavement Counseling Application

**Question:** How do we get one contract for our whole clinic covering several clinicians (one payment for the clinic and then clinic pays clinicians)?

**Response:** If an agency applies and plans to include multiple clinicians to provide services under this contract, the agency is the contracting entity with RUHS and each clinician will need to submit a completed application, all associated required documents, and complete the required training. Pre-licensed clinicians/associates working at that agency would be able to provide the services given they submit all required documents via the application, complete the required training, and are being supervised by a licensed clinician.

**Question:** Would an associate clinician be able to apply or participate?

**Response:** An associate is not eligible to apply and have a contract with RUHS on their own. See previous question for more information.

**Question:** Why are the following Coachella Valley cities (Indian Wells, La Quinta, Palm Desert, Rancho Mirage) NOT included on the list of target areas for the program in the Desert Region?

**Response:** The areas that are listed are the primary targets for most PEI services since it is our requirement to outreach to the highest at-risk communities. However, this project is unique and is open to anyone who lives in Riverside County who is a recent survivor of suicide loss. We are looking for therapists in as many locations throughout Riverside County as possible. The target geographic location is updated to all areas within Riverside County.

**Question:** If services are provided in the homes of clients, is there reimbursement for mileage?

**Response:** The rate of \$1.66 per minute is an all-inclusive rate for up to 8 bereavement counseling sessions per client. Moreover, practitioners will be compensated at the abovementioned rate for attendance of all mandated trainings and technical assistance and support meetings with RUHS-BH PEI.

**Question:** How long should the bereavement sessions be?

**Response:** Sessions are typically between 45-60 mins each.

**Question:** Can grief support groups be provided as part of the 8-counseling sessions?

**Response:** No.

**Question:** If Grief Support Groups are provided, how will this be billed?

**Response:** Not applicable.

**Question:** What is the turn-around time for billing/accounts receivables?

**Response:**

Invoices should be submitted by the 5th day in the month following when services were delivered (i.e. for services provided in November, invoices should be provided by December 5<sup>th</sup>). Once the correct invoice is received, payment will be processed within 30 days.