

Tribal Opioid Response (TOR) Implementation Plan Technical Assistance (TA)

This **optional** TA tool is designed to assist Tribal Opioid Response (TOR) grantees that need assistance in developing an implementation plan to organize and guide their grant activities. This TA tool includes three parts:

- Practical instructions for completing an Implementation Plan
- A sample Implementation Plan (partially completed)
- A blank Implementation Plan template for use or adaptation

Practical instructions for completing an Implementation Plan

Get a copy of the grant application your tribe submitted on August 24, 2018 in response to the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) No. TI-18-016.

Turn to **Section B: Proposed Implementation Approach**.

Review the grant goals and activities your tribe committed to implement in Section B of your application. Identify the relevant narrative (see sample provided below) for inclusion in an Implementation Plan. If your tribe identified goals, objectives, or strategies in Section B, that content would also represent possible actions to include in your Implementation Plan.

SECTION B: PROPOSED IMPLEMENTATION APPROACH

Our tribe will implement evidence-based treatment, including medication-assisted treatment (MAT), using at least one of the three FDA-approved medications for the treatment of OUD. Our project staff will conduct outreach in key tribal community locations to identify tribal members with opioid use disorder (OUD) and connect them to OUD treatment and recovery. Our tribe will also implement traditional practices including holistic approaches with an emphasis on culture and traditional wisdom, and community empowerment.

Note: The shaded text above has been labeled Activity 1, 2 and 3 in the sample Implementation Plan below and relevant action steps have been created and added.

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Note: The implementation plan below is a partial example. TOR grantees would use activities and action steps that align with their specific TOR grant application and would continue to add activities as needed. Grantees may also want to modify this template to suit their needs.

SAMPLE TOR Implementation Plan		
Activities and Action Steps	Target Date	Responsible Parties
Activity 1: Implement evidence-based treatment, including medication-assisted treatment (MAT), using at least one of the three FDA-approved medications for the treatment of OUD.		
1.1: Identify the closest MAT providers (including IHS clinics) to determine which opioid treatment medications they provide (methadone, buprenorphine, or naltrexone) and if they have interest and capacity to provide MAT to our tribal members with OUD.	5.7.19	TOR Proj. Dir.
1.2: Create an educational presentation for tribal leaders that shows the pros and cons of methadone, buprenorphine, and naltrexone and reviews various options for using existing MAT providers or hiring our own MAT provider(s).	5.20.19	TOR Proj. Dir.
1.3: Convene meeting of tribal leaders to review findings and finalize the MAT implementation plan most appropriate for our tribal members.	5.25.19	TOR Proj. Dir.
Activity 2: Conduct outreach in key tribal community locations to identify tribal members with opioid use disorder (OUD) and connect them to OUD treatment and recovery.		
2.1: Hold a focus group with tribal members currently receiving substance use disorder (SUD) treatment to identify the best methods and locations to conduct outreach for tribal members with OUD.	6.1.19	TOR Outreach Counselor
2.2: Develop an outreach plan that identifies the best outreach locations and methods to reach tribal members with OUD.	6.15.19	TOR Outreach Counselor

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Activities and Action Steps	Target Date	Responsible Parties
2.3: Deploy outreach staff to locations identified in our outreach plan.	6.21.19	TOR Outreach Counselor
Activity 3: Implement traditional practices including holistic approaches with an emphasis on culture and traditional wisdom, and community empowerment.		
3.1: To increase successful healing and recovery, work with tribal leaders to increase opportunities for tribal members participating in MAT to concurrently participate in songs, prayer, music, dance and other healing energies through tribal ceremonies.	5.29.19	TOR Proj Dir. and TOR Counselors
3.2: To increase successful healing and recovery, work with TOR project staff to incorporate traditional values and practices into the recovery plans for tribal members participating in MAT.	6.15.19	TOR Counselors

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Activities and Action Steps	Target Date	Responsible Parties
Activity 1:		
1.1:		
1.2:		
1.3:		
Activity 2:		
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2.3:		
Activity 3:		
3.1:		
3.2:		
3.3:		
Activity 4:		
4.1:		

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Activities and Action Steps	Target Date	Responsible Parties
4.2:		
4.3:		
Activity 5:		
5.1:		
5.2:		
5.3:		
Activity 6:		
6.1:		
6.2:		
6.3:		