



Re: IDOA Recovery Hub RFS

To whom it may concern:

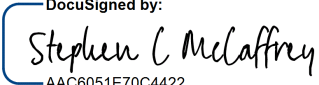
The Indiana Addictions Issues Coalition (IAIC), established in 1999 as a subsidiary of Mental Health America of Indiana (MHAI), is Indiana's oldest statewide recovery community organization (RCO), dedicated to advocacy and education on Substance Use Disorder and Co-Occurring Disorders. IAIC has been a member of the Association of Recovery Community Organizations since 2018 and expanded its services to include Peer Recovery Support Services in 2020, ultimately achieving Indiana State Certified RCO status in 2023. Under previous leadership, the IAIC served as a Regional Recovery Hub in Central Indiana from April 2020 through June 2023. Its Advisory Board, 87% composed of individuals in recovery, includes professionals across recovery and treatment sectors, underscoring its commitment to recovery-focused leadership. Indiana Addictions Issues Coalition meets all required conditions to apply for the IDOA Recovery Hub RFS and through MHAI is registered to do business with the state of Indiana. IAIC will provide all required activities as noted in the scope of work; linkage to care, peer support services, and coordinating rideshare transportation. IAIC already has a history of successfully delivering peer services in compliance with state standards of care as noted by tracking program outcomes through the RecoveryLink platform.

The IAIC is applying for the FSSA DMHA Regional Recovery Hub (RRH) contract to provide peer services throughout region nine (9) consisting of Marion, Hamilton, Madison, Howard, and Tipton counties. The IAIC peers will deliver in-person individual and group PRSS; assistance with resource navigation, including connections to mental health services; and any additional services an individual may need to support their recovery journey and improve their holistic health. During its time as an RRH in central Indiana, the IAIC established experience delivering peer services throughout Marion County and surrounding areas, and also formed many state-wide collaborations with entities that offer supplementary support for sustaining recovery. This includes working with health departments, mental health specialists, treatment facilities, and various non-profits. IAIC has some already established partnerships in region nine, including the Hamilton County Jail, which will encourage the initiation of new IRACs sites in the region. Stakeholder engagement is vital to connecting individuals to services in their own counties and the Indiana Addictions Issues Coalition has demonstrated the ability to initiate and sustain partnerships in rural and urban areas. Being a certified RCO, IAIC is equipped to implement evidence-based initiatives and adhere to best practice standards within an ethical framework, affirming commitment to all recovery paths while providing care that is sensitive to trauma.



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