

Virginia Opioid Abatement Authority Application for Individual Awards to Cities and Counties

1. Contact Information

- a. Name of City or County: Accomack County city county
- b. Physical address: 23296 Courthouse Avenue
- c. Mailing address: P.O. Box 388, Accomac, VA, 23301
(if different than physical address)
- d. Contact Person for this application
- i. Name: Mike Mason
- ii. Job Title: County Administrator
- iii. Office Phone: (757) 787-5700 Cell Phone: (757) 710-3242
- iv. Email: mmason@co.accomack.va.us

2. Distribution Information

- a. Provide the following regarding how the city or county has used (or is planning to use) its direct distributions (from the settlement administrator):
- i. For the **Distributors Settlement**:

Amount of direct distributions received during FY2023 (Amounts can be found here)	24,546
Amount appropriated by the governing body in FY2023	24,546
FY2023 actual expenditures	0
FY2023 encumbered but not yet expended	All 24,546 encumbered for the project described herein
FY2023 remaining unspent and unencumbered balance	0
FY2024 anticipated direct distribution from Distributor Settlement (Amounts can be found here)	14,872

ii. For the **Janssen Settlement**:

Amount of direct distributions received during FY2023 (Amount can be found here)	61,395
Amount appropriated by the governing body in FY2023	61,395
FY2023 actual expenditures	0
FY2023 encumbered but not yet expended	61,395 encumbered for the project described herein
FY2023 remaining unspent and unencumbered balance	0

iii. Provide a narrative reflecting the uses (actual or planned) of the direct distributions for the city or county from the Distributors and Janssen for both FY2023 and FY2024. Include a description of project(s) funded with these direct distributions, the target audience or population, names and responsibilities of subrecipients or contractors, and any outcomes that have been achieved. If no funds have been used, state the city or county's plans for these funds. (Attach additional sheets if needed).

The County has entered into an agreement with the Eastern Shore Community Services Board (ESCSB) to provide the following services as a pilot project for the period 11/1/2022-10/31/2023:

- Provide qualified and credentialed Clinical staff (LPC/LCSW; CSAC) to support behavioral health outpatient treatment for patients identified with Opioid and/or other Substance Use and Co-occurring disorders.
- Provide care coordination via qualified Substance Use Case Managers for patients who may also be experiencing a multitude of medical, social and financial challenges.
- Increase access to treatment and recovery services via the ESCSB's Mobile Unit, off-site engagements including the Health District, Eastern Shore Community College and telehealth.
- Increase awareness and access to detox and inpatient substance use treatment service options for local residents
- Demonstrate a strong and measurable commitment to the proposed project and its objectives by participating in Accomack County Board of Supervisors meetings when invited to report.

The County has committed all the proceeds from the FY23 Distributors and Janssen settlements for

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b. Does the city or county intend to reserve any portion of its direct distributions from FY2023 or FY2024 for future year abatement efforts?

- Yes
- No

If yes, see [Terms and Conditions](#) item #2.d.

c. Does the city or county intend to apply for the OAA's city or county "Gold Standard" incentive program in FY2023 and FY2024?

Yes

No

If yes, complete the form entitled "[Application and Terms and Conditions to Receive OAA Incentive Funds](#)"

d. For each proposed project in FY2023 and FY2024, complete and attach Part 4 "Project Proposal" of this application. If there is more than one project, use the [additional project proposals](#) file. The total amount of funding requested should not exceed the amount for the city or county as published in this [document](#).

e. Attach a copy of a resolution from the governing body of the city or county providing signatory authority. If the city or county is requesting the Gold Standard incentive, ensure this is noted in the resolution from the governing body. A [sample resolution](#) can be found in this application packet.

3. Signature

Signature section must be completed by the person designated with signatory authority in the resolution noted in Part 2.e of this application.

"I swear or affirm that all information contained in and attached to this application is true to the best of my knowledge."

Signature Michael Mason Digitally signed by Michael Mason
Date: 2023.04.28 11:26:06 -04'00'

Print Name Michael Mason

Title County Administrator

Date 4/25/23

4. Project Proposal

Complete the information below **for each project** the city or county is requesting to be funded.

a. Name of City or County: Accomack County city county

b. Project name: Accomack County Opioid Remediation and Treatment

c. Contact Person for this application

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d. Is this project:

A new effort for the city / county.

A proposed supplement or enhancement to a project or effort that is already in place.

How long has the project existed? _____

A combination of enhancing an existing project/effort with new components.

How long has the project existed? _____

e. Provide a brief narrative description of the proposed project.

ESCSB will provide the following services for the project including:
The ESCSB will provide outpatient clinical behavioral health services to include Substance Use Case Management including coordination for access to Medication Assisted Treatment Services as well as Clinical Same Day Access, Intake and Assessments, Substance Use Individual Therapy, and Substance Use Group Therapy for patients identified with Opioid and/or other Substance Use and Co-occurring disorders. These services will take place both on-site at ESCSB counseling services as well as via the ESCSB's Mobile Clinic and off-site at the Eastern Shore Health Department (ESHD), Eastern Shore Community College and via telehealth. The program was initially aimed at improving substance abuse services access for residents of Tangier Island but the take rate for this community has been less than initially expected. The program's scope, per the agreement between the County and ESCSB, allows services to be provided to the entire county based on need and that is the current focus.

f. Describe the objectives of this project

The ESCSB's proposed project objectives are:

- 1) Provide access to qualified outpatient clinical therapies for substance use treatment
- 2) Identify high-risk individuals with co-occurring medical and behavioral health/substance use conditions
- 3) Coordinate care and treatment between medical and behavioral health care providers to increase efficacy of treatment and sustained recovery
- 4) Reduce relapse for individuals with complex medical, social and behavioral health needs

g. How was the need determined and how does that need relate to abatement?

- 1) Utilizing current local data of opioid and substance use to target high risk populations
- 2) Providing access to substance use treatment within the structure of public behavioral health services increases the opportunity and access for marginalized and underserved populations.
- 3) Engaging individuals in substance use case management who experience severe opioid use disorder and frequently experience multiple risk factors for poor health, increased disease, and social complications (i.e. homelessness, unemployment, disenfranchisement from social support networks, etc.). These factors reduce individuals' capacity to sustain treatment and recovery. Having affordable behavioral health treatment and care coordination available at multiple community entry points increases access and coordination between health providers.
- 4) Reducing barriers to treatment and recovery services for individuals with opioid use and substance use decreases lapses and delays in treatment; thereby, increasing sustainable health outcomes.

- h. Briefly describe (name or organization, description of role, budget, etc.) the organization(s), including any sub-recipients or contractors (if known) that will be involved in this project. Attach any contracts and/or memoranda of understanding/agreement. If not fully executed, a draft or a narrative describing the scope of services may suffice.

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The ESCSB's role in the VAOAA project will be as direct service provider for Opioid Treatment and Remediation services primarily, Substance Use Case Management and Outpatient Clinical Services (i.e. individual and groups therapy as well as clinical intakes and assessments). The total budget will be to support the delivery of these direct services to targeted individuals who are uninsured or

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- i. Who are the targeted beneficiaries, and how many persons are expected to participate per year?

The targeted individuals to be provided ESCSB OUD/SUD outpatient clinical and case management services as described earlier experience a combination of the following: unemployment, underinsured, are manual laborers, are often near homelessness or unstably housed. These individuals also often experience a variety of social barriers including stigma, medical diseases, and social isolation. Isn't it also true that families of these individuals are beneficiaries as well as the larger community? The ESCSB Outpatient Clinics, supported by OAA funds, will provide these targeted individuals with an array of beneficial services: individual cognitive therapy, group therapy, intensive substance use case management, peer recovery support, and linkage to both primary healthcare and community resources such as housing and employment services. Helping individuals to navigate the challenges of a place to live, fragile health, and/or transportation problems increases the likelihood of success in reaching treatment goals. Assisting individuals with mitigating stigma, lack of insurance/payer source and fragmented services are essential in reducing relapse rates and preventing costs from being driven up by missed appointments and no-shows.

- j. Is the project classified as evidence-based?

Yes

No

If yes, attach supporting information to this application.

k. Is the project classified as evidence-informed?

Yes

No

If yes, attach supporting information to this application.

l. Has this project been certified or credentialed by a state/federal government agency, or other organization/non-profit?

Yes

No

If yes, attach supporting information to this application.

m. Has this project received any awards or recognition?

Yes

No

If yes, attach supporting information to this application.

n. Does this project have components other than opioid-related treatment as defined?

No, it is 100% related to opioid treatment

Yes, there are other substances involved

If yes, what is the approximate percentage of the project that covers opioid-related abatement (i.e., 20% of the patients who seek services have opioid-related disorders)?

o. Attach a budget for FY2023 and a budget for FY2024 with line-item details for the project. If carry-over of OAA funds from FY2023 into FY2024 is expected, include this in the line item budget.

p. Complete and attach the [project timeline workbook](#) for each project covering both FY2023 and FY2024

q. Complete and attach the [performance measurement workbook](#) for each project covering both FY2023 and FY2024

r. *(Optional)* Attach any letters of support, articles, or other items that may assist the OAA Board of Directors in making an award decision for this project.

**AGREEMENT TO ESTABLISH PILOT PROGRAM FOR THE PROVISION OF
OPIOID SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES**

THIS AGREEMENT ("Agreement") made this 1st day of November, 2022, by and between the County of Accomack, a political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Virginia (County) and the Eastern Shore Community Services Board (ESCSB), a regional community service board formed and operating under Virginia Code Section 37.2-500 et. seq. (ESCSB).

WHEREAS, the County is represented by outside legal counsel in litigation filed by several Virginia localities against opioid manufacturers, distributors, and other parties responsible for the national opioid crisis; and

WHEREAS, nationwide settlements have been reached with three opioid distributors, McKesson, Cardinal Health, and AmericasourceBergen ("Distributors") and with Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc., and its parent company Johnson & Johnson ("Janssen"), the terms of which were approved by the Accomack Board of Supervisors on October 20, 2021 ("National Settlement Agreements"); and

WHEREAS, the anticipated amount of settlement funds distributed, or to be distributed, to the County under the National Settlement Agreements over the next several months is approximately \$116,675, which includes \$86,675 disbursed by the National Settlement Fund in 2022 and \$31,000 to be disbursed by the Virginia Opioid Abatement Authority in July of 2023 ("Settlement Funds"); and

WHEREAS, the National Settlement Agreements provide that a significant portion of the Settlement Funds must be used to remediate and abate the opioid crisis, in accordance with the schedules and exhibits of approved uses and the definition of "opioid remediation" in the National Settlement Agreements; and

WHEREAS, a portion of the Settlement Funds will be funneled to the County through the Virginia Opioid Abatement Authority, a portion of which must be used to treat, prevent, and reduce the misuse of opioids or otherwise abate or remediate the opioid epidemic; and

WHEREAS, the County has entered into the Virginia Opioid Abatement Fund and Settlement Allocation Memorandum of Understanding with the Commonwealth of Virginia, which sets forth permitted and proscribed uses of disbursements by the Opioid Abatement Authority under the Opioid Abatement Authority Act (Virginia Code Section 2.2-2365 et seq.); and

WHEREAS, the County's outside legal counsel recommends that all of the Settlement Funds be used for the reduction or elimination of opioid abuse; and

WHEREAS, ESCSB was formed by the Counties of Northampton and Accomack pursuant to Virginia Code Section 37.2-500 for purposes of developing appropriate mental

health, developmental, and substance abuse services necessary to provide individualized services and support to persons with mental illness, developmental disabilities, or substance abuse; and

WHEREAS, ESCSB is able and willing to apply the Settlement Funds to opioid abuse services in a manner permitted by the National Settlement Agreements, the Virginia Opioid Abatement Authority Act (and regulations and standards established thereunder), and the Virginia Opioid Abatement Fund and Settlement Allocation Memorandum of Understanding with the Commonwealth of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, ESCSB has submitted a proposal for a one-year pilot program, including a one-year budget for same, which focuses on the abatement of opioid abuse on Tangier Island but allows opioid remediation on a County-wide basis in the event the demand for services on Tangier Island is less than anticipated; and

WHEREAS, the County is willing and able to reimburse ESCSB's qualifying expenses up to \$85,367 from the National Settlement Agreements, provided (i) the funds are received by the County and appropriated by the Accomack County Board of Supervisors, and (ii) such expenditures are related to the abatement of opioid abuse and meet the criteria set out in the National Settlement Agreements; and

WHEREAS, the County will also use the anticipated \$31,000 from the Virginia Opioid Abatement Authority to reimburse ESCSB's qualifying expenses provided (i) the funds are received by the County and appropriated by the Accomack County Board of Supervisors within the one-year pilot program, (ii) the pilot program has, in the opinion of the County Administrator, produced measurable results, and (iii) such expenditures are related to the abatement of opioid abuse and meet the criteria set out in the Virginia Opioid Abatement Authority Act (and regulations and standards established thereunder), and the Virginia Opioid Abatement Fund Allocation Memorandum of Understanding; and

WHEREAS, the Accomack County Board of Supervisors approved this Agreement on October 19, 2022,

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the mutual promises and covenants contained herein and for other good and valuable consideration, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Pilot Program Established. The parties agree to conduct a one-year pilot program under which ESCSB shall deliver the opioid abatement services described in Exhibit A in accord with the budget set out in Exhibit B ("Pilot Program"). The County will use Settlement Funds received from the National Settlement Fund in the approximate amount of \$85,637 to reimburse ESCSB for its expenses, excluding administrative, for the abatement of the opioid crisis through individual abuse services, community programs, and other uses described in Exhibit A or Exhibit B, or directly related thereto. The County's obligation to reimburse ESCSB is contingent on receipt and appropriation of the Settlement Funds by the Accomack County Board of Supervisors, and (ii) verification by the County that such expenditures are related to the

abatement of opioid abuse and meet the criteria set out in the National Settlement Agreements;
and

2. Additional Funds. The County will use the anticipated \$31,000 in Settlement Funds from the Virginia Opioid Abatement Authority to reimburse ESCSB's qualifying expenses, which excludes administrative expenditures, provided (i) the funds are received by the County and appropriated by the Accomack County Board of Supervisors within the one-year Pilot Program, (ii) the Pilot Program has, in the opinion of the County Administrator, produced tangible results, and (iii) verification by the County that such expenditures are related to the abatement of opioid abuse and meet the criteria set out in the Virginia Opioid Abatement Authority Act (and regulations and standards established thereunder), and the Virginia Opioid Abatement Fund Allocation Memorandum of Understanding

3. Scope of Pilot Program. The Pilot Program will focus on opioid remediation efforts on Tangier Island; however, if the amount of available Settlement Funds exceeds Tangier Island's needs, ESCSB agrees to provide opioid abatement services in other parts of the County, giving priority to those areas most in need.

4. Term. This Agreement shall be in effect for one year from the date the Pilot Program commences, as mutually determined by the parties. This Agreement may be renewed for subsequent one-year terms upon the mutual written consent of the parties. At each annual renewal, the parties may renegotiate the terms and conditions of this Agreement, including without limitation, reduction of reimbursable expenditures based on lower disbursement amounts from the Settlement Fund.

Funds. As manager, the County shall have sole discretion to deny reimbursement of any expenditures by ESCSB if (i) the County has not received sufficient Settlement Funds, (ii) the County Board of Supervisors has not appropriated the Settlement Funds for reimbursement of ESCSB, or (iii) ESCSB expenditures are not appropriately related to the abatement of opioid abuse or do not meet the criteria set out in the National Settlement Agreements, the Virginia Opioid Abatement Authority Act (and regulations and standards established thereunder), and the Virginia Opioid Abatement Fund Allocation Memorandum of Understanding, as applicable.

6. Accounting and Reports.

(a) ESCSB shall provide the County with a monthly accounting of expenditures under the Pilot Program and any other requested non-confidential information that must be reported under the National Settlement Agreements, the Virginia Opioid Abatement Authority Act (and regulations and standards established thereunder), and the Virginia Opioid Abatement Fund Allocation Memorandum of Understanding. The County and the Virginia Opioid Abatement Authority shall have access to ESCSB's financial records relating to the implementation and administration of the Pilot Program upon reasonable notice.

(b) In addition, ESCSB shall provide the County with monthly reports on the progress of the Pilot Program and a final report within 30 days of the termination or completion of this

Agreement, said final report to i) summarize expenditures and reimbursements, ii) set forth a description of the goals achieved through the implementation of the Pilot Program, including supporting metrics, and iii) provide an assessment of the success of the Pilot Program and a recommendation as to whether it should be continued.

7. Hiring and Training Employees. ESCSB shall be solely responsible for hiring the additional employees described in Exhibits A and B and ensuring that each such employee is qualified, properly licensed and properly trained to perform their respective duties. In no event shall the County incur liability for the negligence or intentional wrongdoing of ESCSB officers and employees. Further, ESCSB understands and agrees that at the end of the one-year Pilot Program, there is no assurance of renewal of this Agreement and that if not renewed or if terminated at any time, ESCSB will be solely responsible for retaining, compensating or terminating such employees.

8. Performance. ESCSB shall perform the obligations and objectives of the Pilot Project in accordance with all applicable federal, state or local laws, ordinances, regulations and policies and shall obtain all licenses, permits and certifications necessary or required to perform any aspect of the Pilot Program.

9. Indemnification. To the extent permitted by law, ESCSB shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the County, its officials, employees, and agents, from and against any and all damages that may arise, or are alleged to arise, from the performance of this Agreement or the conduct of the Pilot Program. This provision shall survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement.

10. Insurance. ESCSB shall provide and maintain throughout the term of this Agreement, general liability insurance in the minimum amount of \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence/\$5,000,000.00 annual aggregate to cover any and all claims of personal injury or property damage or loss arising, or alleged to arise, from the establishment, performance, and termination of the Pilot Program. The insurance policy shall name the County as an additional insured and shall be maintained until the Pilot Program or any continuing program thereafter is terminated; however, termination or expiration of the insurance policy shall not defeat coverage for an act occurring prior to said termination or expiration. A certificate of insurance shall be delivered to the County upon request.

11. Termination for Cause. Either party may terminate this Agreement, including the Pilot Program or any subsequent continuing program, for i) failing to perform the conditions herein; ii) failing to abide by any applicable federal, state or local law, ordinance, regulation or policy; iii) failing to comply with the use restrictions in the National Settlement Agreements, the Virginia Opioid Abatement Authority Act (and regulations and standards established thereunder), and the Virginia Opioid Abatement Fund Allocation Memorandum of Understanding; or iv) otherwise breaching the terms of this Agreement. In the event of failure to perform or any other breach of the terms of this Agreement, the non-defaulting party shall give the other party 30 days written notice to cure the breach and if not cured within this time, the

non-defaulting party may immediately terminate this Agreement by delivering a written statement of termination to the other party.

12. Termination for Convenience. Either party may terminate this Agreement upon 60 days' written notice delivered to the other. In the event of such termination by ESCSB, the County shall pay all validated requests for reimbursement of expenditures made before the notice of termination, and ESCSB shall ensure the well-being of its clients and patients prior to the termination date.

13. Non-Discrimination. Neither party shall discriminate against faith-based organizations as prohibited by Sections 2.2-4310 and 2.2-4343.1 of the Code of Virginia or against any recipient of services under the Pilot Program or any continuing program because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, or any other basis prohibited by state law relating to discrimination in employment. ESCSB agrees that it will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment or any contractor engaged to assist with the Project because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, or other basis prohibited by Virginia law relating to discrimination in employment.

14. No Partnership. The parties acknowledge and confirm that this Agreement does not create a partnership or agency relationship between the County and ESCSB in the establishment, performance, or termination of the Pilot Program. ESCSB shall be solely responsible for day to day operations of the Pilot Program, and the County's responsibilities shall be limited to managing the Settlement Funds, receiving and reviewing progress and expenditure reports, and reimbursing ESCSB for qualifying expenditures.

15. Entire Agreement. This Agreement and its exhibits represent the entire understanding of the parties, except that both parties acknowledge that the Pilot Program is subject to, and shall comply with, the terms, restrictions and criteria relating to expenditure of the Settlement Funds set out in the National Settlement Agreements, the Virginia Opioid Abatement Authority Act (and regulations and standards established thereunder), and the Virginia Opioid Abatement Fund Allocation Memorandum of Understanding.

16. Amendment. This Amendment shall not be modified or renewed except in a writing signed by the parties hereto.

WITNESS the following signatures of authorized representatives of the parties:

COUNTY OF ACCOMACK, VIRGINIA

By  _____
County Administrator

Date 11/1/2022

EASTERN SHORE COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD

By  _____
Executive Director

Date 11/2/2022

EXHIBIT A

Opioid Abatement Pilot Program Narrative

In partnership with Accomack County, through utilization of the Accomack Opioid Settlement Proceeds, the Eastern Shore Community Services Board (ESCSB) proposes the following services to better serve the isolated, underserved community of Tangier Island that is suffering the impacts of the opioid epidemic:

Roundtrip air transportation to and from the mainland of the Eastern Shore via Melfa airport for individuals on Tangier Island who are seeking Substance Use Disorder treatment. The ESCSB Mobile Clinic will be made available for Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) medical treatment, individual therapy, peer recovery engagement, support groups, and healthcare navigator services.

Three full-time positions will be essential for the successful implementation of this pilot project: Clinician, Peer Recovery Specialist, and Health Navigator. The clinician will be a licensed LPC/LCSW with education and training in treating substance using populations. The Peer Recovery Specialist is vital for provision of support services and psychoeducation engagement. The Health Navigator's role is to help patients address barriers that include access to health care, insurance or lack thereof, poor health literacy, child care, employment, and more.

Technological equipment needed to carry out the work of the three staff will be purchased including Surface Pro laptops with accessories such as keyboards, adapters, and cases. SMART Recovery workbooks and supplies will also be acquired as well as MAT medications for uninsured patients.

To further ensure project success and in alignment with best practices, medication management oversight will be provided through a MAT waived Nurse Practitioner accompanied by a Peer Recovery Specialist offering services monthly at the medical center on Tangier Island via the 10 months that the ferry is available annually. The wraparound services provided through the project staff and treatment team help ensure success for the individual participants as well as the project.

The primary goal is to offer high quality treatment to Tangier Island residents who are geographically isolated such that they can participate actively and regularly in Outpatient Medication Assisted Treatment and other Substance Use and Mental Health Therapies. This treatment through the service availability and access this project offers to Tangier Island residents not only provides opportunity for a better quality of life, but may likely be lifesaving for some.

All cost associated with this pilot project will be shared as detailed in the Pilot Project Budget (Exhibit B) with the County's total financial commitment not to exceed \$116,675.

In the event that the funding provided by the County to the ESCSB to operate this pilot program exceeds the needs of Tangier, the scope of program services will be expanded to include serving other areas of the County.

2.a.iii

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The County has committed all the proceeds from the FY23 Distributors and Janssen settlements for this pilot program and also plans to use the \$32,416 of Accomack funds held by the OAA for it as well if this application is approved. If the program proves successful, it is our hope to apply for VOAA competitive funds to sustain the program past 10/31/2023. The agreement between the County and ESCSB establishing this new program is attached to this application.

4.h

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