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The Iowa Department of Public Health (IDPH) intends to release an “Integrated Network” Request for Proposals (RFP) in April 2018. Through the RFP, IDPH will select the most qualified applicants to establish an integrated statewide network of IDPH-funded substance use and problem gambling prevention and treatment services and providers. Contracts that result from the RFP are expected to be effective in October 2018.

The integrated network approach grew out of state legislation directing IDPH to create a service delivery system that encompasses both prevention and treatment for both substance use and problem gambling. IDPH has envisioned the ideal service delivery system as a resiliency- and recovery-oriented system of care, organized through geographic service areas, and built on local and state level planning, access, coordination, and quality.

The integrated network will improve the health of Iowans by:

- Reducing the incidence of substance use and gambling problems through public education, evidence-based prevention services, and early intervention services, and
- Increasing recovery from substance use disorders and gambling problems through timely, ongoing, and effective treatment and recovery support services.

Through the RFP, IDPH will integrate delivery of services historically funded through the following contracts:

- Comprehensive Substance Abuse Prevention
- IDPH-Funded Substance Abuse Treatment Services
- Problem Gambling Treatment, Prevention and Recovery Support Services

**IDPH intends to solicit applications from eligible applicants to provide all IDPH-funded prevention and outpatient treatment covered services in each service area established in the RFP.**

- Applications may be submitted by a single eligible applicant or by a legal entity comprised of multiple eligible applicants, e.g. a 501(c)(3) organization.

**In submitting an application, eligible applicants may also request additional funding for adult residential treatment, juvenile residential treatment, specialized Women and Children residential treatment, and/or methadone treatment.**

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IDPH will not respond to questions about this information at this time.

Official notice of any RFP will be posted by IDPH at the IDPH grants site at [www.IowaGrants.gov](http://www.IowaGrants.gov).