

## **Conference Sponsorship Guidelines**

## ABOUT THE TRUST

The Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority is a state corporation that administers the Alaska Mental Health Trust, a perpetual trust, to improve the lives of beneficiaries. The Trust operates much like a private foundation, using its resources to provide leadership in advocacy, planning, implementing, and funding of a Comprehensive Integrated Mental Health Program. More information about the Comp Plan can be found at: http://dhss.alaska.gov/Commissioner/Pages/MentalHealth/default.aspx

Beneficiaries of the Trust include the following broad groups of Alaskans with:

- mental illness
- developmental disabilities
- chronic alcoholism and other substance related disorders
- Alzheimer's disease and related dementia
- traumatic brain injuries

The Trust also works in prevention and early intervention services for individuals at risk of becoming beneficiaries. The Trust considers prevention of these conditions, where possible, to be part of its mandate.

CONFERENCE SPONSORSHIP GRANTS		
WHAT?	The Trust sponsors conferences, seminars and training partnership grants to organizations that serve Trust beneficiaries for a specific purpose or need that is consistent with the Trust's mission and current funding priorities. The Trust typically sponsors conferences, seminars or trainings up to \$2,500.	
WHO?	Eligible organizations for conference sponsorship grants are foundations, government agencies, tribal entities, nonprofits and corporations who serve Trust beneficiaries.	



WHY?	The Trust provides conference sponsorships to provide opportunities for Trust beneficiaries in the community, develop a strong workforce and to promote cross agency dialogue.	
GENERAL FUNDING GUIDELINES		
How to Apply	<ul> <li>Complete and submit a Letter of Interest form, located at: <u>https://alaskamentalhealthtrust.org/alaska-mentalhealth-trust-authority/grants/partnership-grants/</u></li> <li>Letters of Interest are due to the Trust by the <b>15<sup>th</sup> of each month</b>, with the exceptions of December and July, which will default to the 15<sup>th</sup> of January and August respectively.</li> <li>Once the Letter of Interest is received, you will be contacted and notified within approximately three weeks if the request will be moving to the full online application stage of the process.</li> </ul>	
To be considered, all funding requests MUST:	<ul> <li>Provide an agenda that clearly identifies the topics and trainings specific to Trust beneficiaries.</li> <li>Provide a clear and strong connection for how the conference will improve the systems, provider skills and competencies, and service delivery for beneficiaries in their communities.</li> </ul>	
QUESTIONS		
What other funding is available from the Trust?	Complete details and application procedures for all grants can be found on the Trust's website ( <u>https://alaskamentalhealthtrust.org/about/grants/</u> ).	



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