

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Capacity Building Grant for First Nations, Métis, Inuit, and Urban Indigenous led Bed-based Treatment and Recovery Operators

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Who can apply & eligibility requirements

Q1: Which organizations are eligible to apply for this funding opportunity?

A: This funding opportunity is open to any of the following agencies, organizations, and communities who operate non-profit or registered charity bed-based treatment and recovery services for adults (19+) in B.C.:

- First Nations, Bands, and/or Tribal Councils
- Treaty First Nation Governments
- Métis Nation Chartered Communities
- First Nations, Métis, Inuit, or urban Indigenous led organizations

This includes on-reserve and off-reserve services.

If you are unsure if your organization meets the requirements, please contact:

- Samantha Young, Project Manager, Support Recovery– Community Action Initiative
- Syoun@caibc.ca , 778-835-8877

Q2: Is my organization required to be registered, licensed or accredited?

A: First Nations, Métis, Inuit, or urban Indigenous led services who are currently licensed or registered under the [Community Care and Assisted Living Act \(CCALA\)](#) or are accredited are eligible to apply to this grant opportunity. In addition, applications are welcomed and encouraged from First Nations, Métis, Inuit, or urban Indigenous led services who plan to, or are in the process of applying for licensing, registration, or accreditation. This grant provides an opportunity to enhance services in alignment with the [Provincial Standards for Registered Assisted Supportive Recovery Services](#), or the [Community Care and Assisted Living Act Residential Care Regulation](#), or potentially can help the process of applying for licensing, registration or accreditation. Applicants are asked to share in their application what stage they are at in obtaining CCALA licensure or registration; or in becoming accredited.

Q3: My organization does not currently accommodate people on Medication Assisted Therapies (MAT), such as Opioid Agonist Therapy (OAT). Is my organization eligible to apply?

A: This grant provides support to improve services in alignment with the [Provincial Standards for Registered Assisted Supportive Recovery Services](#) which include ensuring that a person receives help in accessing any medical care they may need, and that they are able to take prescribed medications that support their health, wellbeing, and goals for recovery.

Organizations that are currently unable to safely support clients on MAT on a continuous basis are eligible to apply. This funding provides an opportunity to align with best practice regarding support of offering Medically Assisted Therapies (MAT) such as OAT into your services.

Examples of uses for grant funding include:

- Providing transportation to support people to access medical services of their choice in the community, including prescribed medications
- Buying supplies to set up a safe space on-site to safely manage and distribute medications (such as OAT)

Q4: What are the intended uses associated with this grant?

A: This one-time funding is intended to support First Nations, Métis, Inuit, or urban Indigenous led services who are accredited, licensed, registered or services who plan to, or are in the process of registration, licensing, or accreditation. This grant is to support service operators to develop and/or implement time-limited or one-time only capacity-building strategies and initiatives within their organization. Proposed project activities must be in alignment with the [Provincial Standards for Registered Assisted Supportive Recovery Services](#) or the [Community Care and Assisted Living Act Residential Care Regulation](#).

Capacity building projects could include (but are not limited to):

- Programming to support wellness, culture, traditional practice, and maintain service quality
- Development of organizational documents, policies, and processes

- Expanded training and supports for staff
- Administrative and staffing supports for time limited projects
- Other capacity building initiatives, as determined by your organization

Please see the [Grant Guidelines](#) for Appendix A: Provincial Standards & Project Examples with examples of capacity building projects.

Q5: Can I apply for more than one Capacity Building Grant? Is there a limit on budget requests?

A: Service operators or organizations can apply for one grant per operator or organization. If your organization operates multiple sites, you can only apply for one grant with funding able to be used across multiple sites and initiatives.

The maximum funding amount per grant is \$25,000. Funding must be spent within one year. If your organization proposes a project with a budget over \$25,000, you must let us know how the additional amount will be funded, and the project must be in alignment with the objectives of the [Provincial Standards for Registered Assisted Supportive Recovery Services](#) or the [Community Care and Assisted Living Act Residential Care Regulation](#).

Q6: How can I prepare for the online call or phone call with the grant review committee?

A: This call is a chance for us to chat more about your application in a relaxed, informal way. It's an opportunity for you to share more details about your application, proposed activities, answer questions, and get feedback or suggestions from us. We'd love to learn more about your organization—your leadership, how you provide care, and the community you serve. You can also tell us more about how you plan to carry out your project and how it connects to culture-based care and/or one or more of the Standards.

Q7: Can I apply to this grant again if I received grant funding in 2024?

A: Yes, this grant call is an opportunity for new applicants and existing grantees who were successful in 2024, but preference may be given to applicants who have not received any funds from the first round of the Capacity Building Grant.

Q8: Can my organization re-apply if we were unsuccessful in the first round of the Capacity Building Grant?

A: Yes, you are welcome to apply again if you were unsuccessful in the first round of the grant. Please review our eligibility requirements before applying.

Q9: What are some examples of previously funded projects in the past?

A: Examples of previously funded requests are:

- A multi-passenger vehicle to transport clients

- Furniture
- Building repairs/improvements
- Workshop supplies
- Cultural Supplies
- Technology updates (laptops, printers, etc.)
- Expanded training and supports for staff
- Administrative and staffing supports

Contact information

Q10: Who can I contact if I have questions about the application or need support with submission?

A: Applications can be submitted by email or by phone call. For any questions and support with the application process, please contact:

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- Syoun@caibc.ca , 778-835-8877

Applicants are also encouraged to consult the Grant Guidelines at <https://caibc.ca/grants-training/supportive-recovery/capacity-grant>.