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PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT

REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

Service Specification

Specification Title:	Services for Anti-substance Abuse
Specification:	Substance Abuse, Prevention Rehabilitation

1. Background

1.1. Population or community need

The service seeks to address social ills associated with the use, abuse and misuse of alcohol and drugs. It also seeks to empower community members by providing information on the harmful effects of substance abuse and available services at the district and service point levels.

The service provided through the helpline targets the most vulnerable population including children, youth, and adults. The target groups are also inclusive of special populations such as people with disabilities, women, LGBTIQ+ and people of low economic status. Aftercare services will target service users, families or significant others and communities.

The programme also targets communities from rural, and urban, hostel dwellers, farming areas and the homeless. The services will be implemented in the nine-five districts (22 municipalities, considering that substance abuse affect everyone in the society both directly and indirectly.

1.2 Population and community-level outcomes or results.

The use and abuse of alcohol and drugs continue to major problems around the world including in South Africa, taking a toll on health, social and economic functioning. Substance use disorder is viewed as a complex health challenge, characterised as chronic and relapsing in nature. To this end, social causes and consequences that can be prevented and treated through appropriate substance abuse programmes. This requires strengthening of aftercare, and social reintegration programmes to minimise relapse rates.

In the coming funding cycle (2024/25, 2025/26 and 2026/27) the programmes seek to reduce number of people using, misusing, and abusing alcohol and drugs in the nine provinces by provision of early intervention, reintegration, and aftercare services. In addition, the programme will provide support to families and service users who have completed treatment to assist them to maintain sobriety. Aftercare will be provided as a community service and will include but not be limited to counselling, support services and skills development. The programme furthermore seeks to reduce relapse rates amongst service users who have completed substance abuse treatment programme in nine provinces.

Service Overview

1.3 Description and objectives of the service.

Services for anti-substance develop, support, and monitor the implementation of programmes, policies, norms and standards for combating substance abuse.

Funding will be considered in line with the following **Objectives**:

OBJECTIVE 1: To facilitate the funding process of the existing organizations/NPOs, monitor the implementation of the programmes and utilization of their funds.

OBJECTIVE 2: Mentoring of emerging organizations rendering substance abuse services by providing governance oversight, capacity building, implementation and monitoring of aftercare programmes over a period of three years (2024/25, 2025/26 and 2026/27)

1.4. Components of the service/activities

Below are the activities aligned to the objectives listed above.

Objective	Activities	Financial year/s
Prevention and Promotion This refers to services and programmes aimed at raising awareness and mobilising communities against abuse of substances.	Development and distribution of information, education, and communication material on substance abuse Awareness campaigns Implementation of Prevention programmes for children, youth and adults Engaging young people in sports, arts and recreational activities and ensuring productive use of leisure time Peer education programmes Enabling parents, families and communities to recognise early warning signs to substance abuse and equipping them with information on appropriate responsive and available services. Empowering communities to understand be proactive in dealing with challenges related substance abuse and its link to crime and other social ills Referral	2024/25, 2023/26 and 2026/27
Early Intervention This refers to programmes aimed at identifying and treating potentially harmful substance use prior to onset of overt symptoms associated with dependency on substances.	Provision of information on the impact of substance abuse Identification of early warning signs for substance abuse and take appropriate signs. Group work services to identified groups at risk. Provision of life skills identifies groups at risk. Referrals	2024/25, 2025/26 and 2026/27
Community based services This refers to the provision of treatment services to persons dependent on substances whilst they remain in their communities	Provision of integrated community-based programmes to substance dependent people within the multi-disciplinary team setting	2024/25, 2025/26 and 2026/27
Inpatient treatment services This refers to centre based treatment services to substance dependent people.	This can include the buying of beds at centres managed and run by external service providers for public benefit	2024/25, 2025/26 and 2026/27

Description of the beneficiaries to be served or service users.

The beneficiaries to be served are all community members including children, youth, adult, service users and their families.

1.5. Geographic coverage of the service

Objective	Geographical Areas	Target year/s
OBJECTIVE 1: 1. To facilitate the funding process of the existing organizations/ npo's, monitor the implementation of the programmes and utilization of their funds.	The service targets 5 Districts (22 Municipalities)	Year1: 5 Districts Year2: 5 Districts Year 3: 5 Districts

OBJECTIVE 2: Mentoring of emerging organizations rendering Substance abuse service by providing governance oversight, capacity building, implementation and monitoring of aftercare programmes over a period of three years.	The service targets 5 Districts (22 Municipalities)	Year 1: Identification of emerging organizations in 5 districts. Capacitate and support organizations on governance and the implementation of aftercare programmes/Services. Year 2: Capacitate and support identified organizations on governance and the implementation of aftercare programme/service. Year 3: Provide guidance, support, and evaluate the implementation of aftercare service of the 27-emerging organization in nine Provinces
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1.6 Time-related elements applicable to the service

Implementation of the programmes including aftercare services will be done on a daily basis during working hours.

2. Quality and compliance requirements

The organization should have an understanding and knowledge of the following key documents:

Constitution of South Africa

The constitution, as the supreme law of the country, is the basis within which all legislation should be developed. The Bill of rights which is enshrined in the constitution is a cornerstone of democracy in South Africa. Among other things, it affirms the rights of the people in our country and the democratic values of human dignity, equality and freedom. This requires that service should be provided considering the spirit and purport of the bill of rights.

Prevention of and treatment for substance abuse, Act 70 of 2008

The Act provides for a comprehensive national response for the combatting of substance abuse; mechanisms aimed at demand and harm reduction in relation to substance abuse through prevention, early intervention, treatment and re-integration programmes; the registration and establishment of treatment centres and halfway houses, the committal of persons to and from treatment centres for their treatment, Rehabilitation and skills development in such treatment centres, the establishment of the National Drug Committee, and matters connected therewith.

National Drug Master Plan (2019-2024)

National blueprint which outlines the role that each department should play in addressing substance use and abuse.

3. Key performance indicators

OUTPUT INDICATORS

BENEFICIARY-LEVEL OUTCOMES

INDICATORS

1.	Objective 1: Number of people reached through community-based services	- Number of people reached through prevention, treatment and aftercare services
2.	Objective 2: Number of emerging organizations capacitated to implement aftercare services	- Number of emerging organizations implementing after care programmes /services

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