

WAC 246-341-1005 Opioid treatment programs (OTP)—Agency certification requirements. An agency applying to provide opioid treatment program services must:

(1) Submit to the department documentation that the agency has communicated with the county legislative authority and if applicable, the city legislative authority or tribal authority, in order to secure a location for the new opioid treatment program that meets county, tribal or city land use ordinances.

(2) Ensure that a community relations plan developed and completed in consultation with the county, city, or tribal authority or their designee, in order to minimize the impact of the opioid treatment programs upon the business and residential neighborhoods in which the program is located. A community relations plan is a plan to minimize the impact of an opioid treatment program as defined by the Center for Substance Abuse Guidelines for the Accreditation of Opioid Treatment Programs, section 2.C.(4). The plan must include:

(a) Documentation of the strategies used to:

(i) Obtain stakeholder input regarding the proposed location;

(ii) Address any concerns identified by stakeholders; and

(iii) Develop an ongoing community relations plan to address new concerns expressed by stakeholders.

(b) For new applicants who operate opioid treatment programs in another state, copies of all review reports written by their national accreditation body and state certification, if applicable, within the past six years.

(3) Have concurrent approval to provide an opioid treatment program by:

(a) The Washington state department of health pharmacy quality assurance commission;

(b) The United States Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT), Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration (SAMHSA), as required by 42 C.F.R. Part 8 for certification as an opioid treatment program; and

(c) The United States Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA).

(4) An agency must ensure that the opioid treatment program is provided to an individual in compliance with the applicable requirements in 42 C.F.R. Part 8 and 21 C.F.R. Part 1301.

(5) The department may deny an application for certification when the applicant has not demonstrated in the past, the capability to provide the appropriate services to assist individuals using the program to meet goals established by the legislature.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 71.24.037, 71.05.560, 71.34.380, 18.205.160, 71.24.037 and chapters 71.05, 71.24, and 71.34 RCW. WSR 21-12-042, § 246-341-1005, filed 5/25/21, effective 7/1/21. Statutory Authority: 2018 c 201 and 2018 c 291. WSR 19-09-062, § 246-341-1005, filed 4/16/19, effective 5/17/19.]