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To: All HAP and Prospective ATR Providers

From: John Viernes Jr
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Re: ATR/SAPT Block Grant Issues Regarding Supplanting

The Division has received clarification regarding supplantation under the SAPT Block and ATR grant requirements. According to the information received Jun 10, 2008 from the Center for Substance Abuse Treatment, the authorizing legislation and implementing regulation governing the SAPT Block Grant program **does not specifically prohibit or authorize the expenditure of SAPT Block Grant funds for recovery support services.**

"In the case on Indiana, the State described its service array for substance using pregnant women and women with dependent children. In theory, the State may expend Federal SAPT Block Grant and Access to Recovery (ATR) funds for the same target population, e.g., substance using pregnant women and women with dependent children. For example, a State may expend SAPT Block Grant funds for services for such women as described in the implementing regulation (45 CFR 96.124(e)) **and** expend ATR funds to provide an enriched array of recovery support services for such women **or** it may only expend ATR funds to provide the services described in the implementing regulation and an enriched array of recovery support services for additional women."

This clarification allows HAP providers to serve the targeted persons under the ATR grant proposal using either block grant funds singly (client would not be registered and counted toward ATR client goals), using only ATR vouchers (recognized as an ATR client), or using a combination of Block Grant funds and ATR vouchers (also recognized as an ATR client) for services identified in the implementing regulation with an enriched array of recovery support services. This clarification allows HAP providers who have been reluctant to enroll individuals into the ATR program because of SAPT Block Grant requirements to do so.

If there are any questions to this change in policy please contact Diana L. Williams, Deputy Director, Office of Addiction and Emergency Services, at (317) 232-7843 or email at diana.williams@fssa.in.gov .

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