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**Connecticut Block Grant Recovery Program**  
**Assistance with Furniture / Appliances and Telehealth Equipment**

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The DMHAS CT Block Grant Recovery Program grant provides funding to assist DMHAS-funded private, non-profit treatment providers and contracted sober houses, with accessing new/replacement furniture and appliances and telehealth equipment. Advanced Behavioral Health, Inc., the DMHAS administrative services agency, will process requests and, if approved, pay invoices on behalf of the provider.

- 1. Who is eligible for assistance with furniture and appliances?**

Effective January 10, 2022 all **DMHAS-funded Substance Use Disorder (SUD) providers\*** (residential treatment, withdrawal management, recovery houses, and Supported Recovery Housing Services (SRHS)) are eligible to apply for assistance with new furniture and appliances.
- 2. What types and amount of furniture and appliances can be requested?**

Eligible **DMHAS-funded SUD providers\*** can request any type of furniture and appliances – this may include, for example, bed frames, washing machines, vacuum cleaners, etc. A brief description of the items being requested and the rationale is required on the request form.
- 3. Who is eligible for assistance with telehealth equipment?**

**DMHAS-funded SUD or Mental Health (MH) service providers\*** are eligible to apply for assistance with telehealth equipment.
- 4. What types and amount of telehealth equipment can be requested?**

**DMHAS-funded SUD or MH providers** can request any type of telehealth equipment. The equipment is primarily for a provider’s clients to engage in telehealth appointments and may include tablets/iPads, smartphones, and web cameras. Purchased equipment is the property of the provider, who will distribute it directly to clients.
- 5. How will requests be processed and paid?**

Eligible providers will submit a request form to ABH, Inc. The request form must include all material (invoice, W-9) required to complete payment and a **rationale of how this request would assist in maintaining operations during the pandemic or help mitigate Covid-19 at your site.**

A review committee, including DMHAS staff, will make a determination on every request and will notify the requestor in writing within 30 days of receipt.

The request form(s) contain additional details including the fax number for submission.

**6. Is there a maximum amount of funding available?**

The maximum amount of reimbursement available, subject to change, per provider is:

- \$5,000 per agency for furniture; and
- \$5,000 per agency for telehealth equipment

Exceptions may be made for providers with multiple service locations.

***\* DMHAS is allocated different SUD and MH Block Grants amounts, hence there are different resources available to SUD and MH providers***

***If you have any question regarding this Alert, please contact  
The CT Block Grant Recovery Program at ABH 1-860-638-5333***