



**STATE OF WASHINGTON**  
**DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES**  
**Aging and Disability Services Administration**  
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January 18, 2013

Dear Tribal Leaders:

The Department of Social and Health Services, Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery (DBHR) is in the process of submitting its 2014-2015 Uniform Application for the Mental Health Block Grant and the Substance Abuse Block Grant for federal funding of behavioral health services, which was announced on January 4, 2013. The application is due to the federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) by April 1, 2013.

We will be providing opportunities for public comment, including tribal input and consultation, on the grant application as it develops. With the short timeline available, we propose to use a portion of the ADSA subcommittee meeting on February 12, 2013, as an initial roundtable to begin discussions with tribes. We are also proposing a second roundtable with tribes on February 26, 2013, and a final consultation on March 5, 2013. Specific details on times and locations for the second roundtable and final consultation on our application will be mailed to you within the next couple of weeks.

As a courtesy, we also want to invite you to participate in two upcoming webinars where DBHR will solicit public comment.

We will present our needs assessment data at the first Go-To-Webinar on January 23, 2013, from 8:00 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. Public comment will help determine priorities for the state plan.

**Webinar Agenda**

8:00 to 9:15	Substance abuse prevention and mental health promotion
9:30 to 10:45	Chemical dependency treatment
10:45 to 12:30	Break
12:30 to 1:45	Mental health

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Each topic will include:

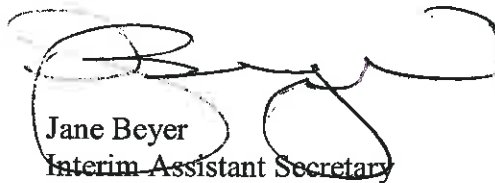
- Introduction: 10 minutes
- Data Presentation: 30 minutes
- Q/A and Discussion: 30 minutes
- Closing: 5 minutes

You may register now at <https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/769056722> for the January 23 Webinar.

A second Go-To-Webinar will be held February 22, 2013, to share the priorities for 2014 and 2015. Please save this date until further details are provided.

Please direct any questions to Michael Langer, Behavioral Health Administrator, at 360-725-3740 or by email at [michael.langer@dshs.wa.gov](mailto:michael.langer@dshs.wa.gov).

Respectfully,



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