

# DSME Mini-Grant

## Q & A Conference Call

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### Q&A

**Q:** We are not accredited, would I apply for accreditation for our main campus and for our Ocala site? Or do I do the main campus first then do a satellite?

**A:** You may be able to apply for a multi-site accreditation or recognition. A mentor can help in deciding what will work best for your organization.

**Q:** Can you define the training in Attachment 3? What would the training be to train one of the RNs?

**A:** Training can be used in different ways; you can train more staff and do continuing education for staff members that already have their CDE. We want to make sure that the training is approved or provided by the AADE or ADA, or helps the organization move toward ADA recognition or AADE accreditation. Training funds can be used for medical providers if they are teaching the DSME. Training funds cannot be used to pay for the CDE exam fee.

**Q:** What would be the steps to establish a DSME program? Pharmacists provide our DSME education, which goal would we go for?

**A:** Choose what you feel most comfortable with and feel is appropriate for your organization. After applications are submitted we will help to guide you toward what might be most appropriate for your organization.

If you do receive funding and are granted a mentor, you will have a call with the mentor and work together on a work plan towards reasonable goals and the mentor will help you accomplish your goals. A mentor can be very helpful in identifying specific courses and materials for your goals.

**Q:** Who will be sending the email regarding the FQHC?

**A:** We will post all answers on the Hub websites on 7/22/16.

**Q:** Is this grant applicable for school health nurses to provide Diabetes Self-Management Education to school children with Type 2 Diabetes?

**A:** The mini-grants target adults, and programs targeting children and adolescents would not be eligible for this funding.

**Q:** We are in the process of obtaining our AADE accreditation. What is the difference between the initial accreditation fee per site vs. satellite accreditation fees? We (our DSME team) will provide education at multiple sites within our organization. How should we budget?

**A:** You may be able to apply for a multi-site accreditation or recognition. A mentor can help in deciding what will work best for your organization. Please contact the ADA or the AADE for current fees.

**Q:** For an FQHC, does a CDE have to teach the DSME course?

**A:** No. The following professionals may teach the DSME course: RN, RD, PHARMD, CDE or provider who bills Medicare. (Source: Billing and Reimbursement for Diabetes Self-Management: A Local Perspective NACCHO Webinar: Monday, June 17, 2013.)

According to the Agency on Aging, "FQHCs can bill the AIRR [All-Inclusive Reimbursement Rate] for all individual visits with a licensed professional who works with individual class participants." (Source: AoA Diabetes Self-Management (DSMT) Toolkit. p.36. Retrieved from:

[http://www.aoa.gov/AoA\\_Programs/HPW/Diabetes/docs/AoA-DSMT-Toolkit-2015.pdf](http://www.aoa.gov/AoA_Programs/HPW/Diabetes/docs/AoA-DSMT-Toolkit-2015.pdf))

Keep in mind that funding can be used for training on reimbursement provided by the ADA or the AADE. A free webinar on DSME reimbursement will be held on August 23. Information will be provided as soon as available on the Department of Health website: <http://www.floridahealth.gov/diseases-and-conditions/diabetes/type-2/dsme.html>

**Q:** I am still confused on the training as this is where the bulk of the money seems to be with the grant. I know you said we can use it for CEU's for a current educator but when I spoke to the credentialing board they said there are no online classes to have one of our RN's certified. They have to work in that role and document 1,000 hours show proof and then sit for the accreditation. The AADE (which is the one we wanted to choose) has some online classes to help staff become familiar with diabetes education and CDE certification but that has nothing to do with them becoming certified or our facility to become accredited.

**A:** Mini-grant funding may be used to participate in ADA and AADE courses, online and face-to-face. The person receiving the training is not required to have a CDE. Mini-grant funding may also be used to become members of the AADE, which provides no-cost and reduced-cost access to many training opportunities online.

**Q:** Can any monies be paid to our current educator to help prepare all of the paperwork/application and for writing our plan in order to be considered and approved for credentialing? This is a big job and she would be most qualified to do this.

**A:** Mini-grant funding may be used for a part-time, temporary, data-entry person, who can also assist with the paperwork related to applying for accreditation or recognition. However, funds may not be used for salaries or to supplant existing funds.

**Q:** Can any monies be used for fees to sit for the test?

**A:** Mini-grant funding may be used for training, but not for the cost of testing fees.

**Q:** On the budget form I see where it asks us to write in how much we are requesting on each line item. Do we have to break that down further and explain? Example xxx amount for current educators CEU's xx amount for staff to take online class?

**A:** Only the amount for each line item needs to be included on the budget form. Budget details will be discussed during the applicant interviews. A detailed budget will be required as part of the first deliverable.

**Q:** There is a training in Pensacola that we would like to send staff to and I was wondering if travel and hotel accommodations can be part of the training funding category?

**A:** Yes. Please include the total amount for training expenses (registration) and travel (hotel, rental car, etc.) in the request. Budget details will be discussed during the applicant interviews. A detailed budget will be required as part of the first deliverable.