**Who May Apply:**
Private institutions of higher education; Public and state-controlled institutions of higher education

**Why Apply:**
Receive funding to create a regional drug data research center to reduce fatal and nonfatal overdoses, promote public safety, and support prevention, harm reduction, treatment, and recovery services.

**Maximum per Award:**
- Up to $1,980,000

BJA encourages the following entities to apply:
- Agencies that have not received BJA funding before.
- Convening or governing bodies that can apply on behalf of one or more entities.

**Examples of strategies/activities that can be funded:**
- Work with the University of Alabama to build knowledge and capacity for the field in the area of regional drug data research centers.
- Expand existing statewide drug data repository into a regional data center.
- Support collaboration among public health, behavioral health, criminal justice, and first responder agencies.
- Encourage the sharing of additional information from law enforcement, prosecutions, jail stays, corrections, and public health across states.
- Expand research to address the overdose crisis, particularly in marginalized populations.
- Document utilization of regional drug data for policy and strategy development.

**Where to get more information about this opportunity:**
Visit [bja.ojp.gov/funding/opportunities/o-bja-2023-171649](http://bja.ojp.gov/funding/opportunities/o-bja-2023-171649) for the program’s full funding information.
Tips for Success:

• **Start early!** To apply, you must first have a valid registration in the System for Award Management (SAM). **Registration and renewal can take up to 10 business days** to complete. Register at: [sam.gov/content/home](http://sam.gov/content/home).

• For **questions** about the program’s requirements or the application process, see the full solicitation’s cover page at: [bja.ojp.gov/funding/O-BJA-2023-171649.pdf](http://bja.ojp.gov/funding/O-BJA-2023-171649.pdf) for information on who to contact.

• Visit **BJA Funding Webinars** at: [bja.ojp.gov/events/funding-webinars](http://bja.ojp.gov/events/funding-webinars) and review the “Federal Funding Process: First Steps to Applying, How to Prepare Now, and Other Considerations.”

• **Subscribe** for email notifications from BJA about funding opportunities and other news at [bja.ojp.gov/subscribe-newsfrombja](http://bja.ojp.gov/subscribe-newsfrombja).

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How to apply and when:

Submit a two-step application.

1. Register in [Grants.gov](http://Grants.gov) and follow the prompts to submit two forms by by May 1, 2023.

2. Then complete the full application in [JustGrants.usdoj.gov](http://JustGrants.usdoj.gov) by May 10, 2023. The application’s major elements are:

   a. The **proposal abstract** that summarizes the problem you wish to address with your project (no more than 400 words).

   b. The **proposal narrative** that describes your project’s strategies, activities, and major deliverables as well as your capacity to address the problem.

   c. The **web-based budget** form that details how you will allocate the grant funds by task, date, and responsible person.

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