

## INTRODUCING THE GPRA INTAKE

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) awarded the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services the **State Opioid and Stimulant Response (SOS) Grant**. Subaward recipients who deliver treatment and recovery support services are required to use the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) Tool to collect client-level data. This handout includes two sample scripts. The one below describes the background, purpose and procedures for the evaluation. The script on the back page includes sample language for use when the client has been referred from another agency. Feel free to use these to help introduce the SOS Health Study to clients.

### Background & Purpose

You were selected as a possible participant in this evaluation because you have been referred to and enrolled in LOCAL SOS PROJECT NAME. The evaluation will collect information to determine if the services you will receive in LOCAL SOS PROJECT NAME are effective and improve your health and well-being. The Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services/ LOCAL BOARD OR LOCAL AGENCY received a grant from the federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMSHA) to offer these enhanced services.

### Procedures

If you agree to be a participant in this evaluation, you will be interviewed for about twenty-minutes three times: at beginning of LOCAL PROGRAM AT LOCAL AGENCY OR PROGRAM NAME, six-months after enrollment, and at the end of the LOCAL AGENCY program. These interviews will include questions about your drug and alcohol use, past and current treatment, general health, employment, housing status, criminal justice involvement, and social connectedness. Before I get started do you have any questions that I can answer for you?

***All clients need to sign a consent to share contact information and be part of the “health study.”***

## GPRA INTAKE TIPS

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### Refer to the GPRA data collection as the “SOS Health Study”

*Using client-friendly terms will encourage participation.*

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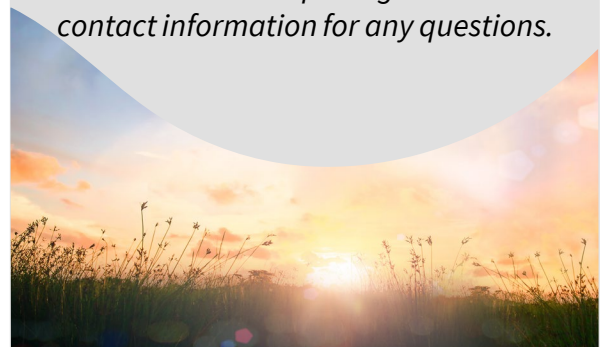
### Explain the impact and importance of participating

*Clients participating in the study helps the State of Ohio collect the data needed to improve and fund future treatment and recovery services. Information that clients share during the interview is confidential.*

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### Offer clients a flyer about the GPRA

*Create a flyer to describe the GPRA interviews. Include a reminder about the GPRA follow-up interview and \$30 incentive for completing it. Provide contact information for any questions.*



## SOS Program Introduction Script – Referral from Another Agency

Good Morning/Afternoon,

My name is FILL IN and one of the Assessors, Probation Officers or Case Managers may have mentioned that I would be meeting with you to ask you some questions (or mention the referral source). You were selected as a possible participant in this evaluation because you have been referred to and enrolled in SOS grant program here at LOGCL AGENCY NAME. The evaluation will collect information to determine if the services you will receive in SOS LOCAL PROGRAM NAME are effective and improve your health and well-being. Your agreement to participate in the study is voluntary and confidential. If you choose not to participate in the evaluation your ability to receive any and all SOS services are the same. No services will be affected if you do not participate.

If you agree, I am now going to ask you a few questions and get some contact information from you for our follow-up interviews (about 6-months from now and when you are done with your SOS program.) Please remember you will receive a \$30 gift card after you complete your 6-month follow-up interview. Before I get started do you have any questions? I am happy to answer any questions you may have.

### GPRA INTERVIEW OVERVIEW

The Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) is a federal mandate that requires all SAMHSA grantees to collect and report on data related to the clients served by the SAMHSA grant. SAMHSA requires SOS grantees to administer the GPRA Client Outcome Measures Tool (GPRA Tool) to fulfill this reporting requirement.

GPRA data collection is required for many SAMHSA grants; therefore, it is possible that you might be familiar with the GPRA Tool or have heard of the GPRA data collection before related to a different grant. Please be aware that the process for collecting GPRA data varies by grant. For the **SOS grant**, providers are required to complete the **GPRA intake, follow-up, and discharge interviews**. Under the SOS grant, completing a GPRA Intake includes the following steps:

1. GPRA Client Consent Form
2. GPRA Intake Interview
3. GPRA Client Locator Form
4. GPRA Gift Card Information Form

To learn more about the steps required to complete a GPRA Intake, visit: [www.OhioSOSEvaluation.org](http://www.OhioSOSEvaluation.org)