

Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program (RWHAP) Part B

HIV Emergency Relief Grant Program

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- 1. When will the National Monitoring Standards be available on the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) HIV/AIDS Bureau (HAB) website?**

Answer: The updated National Monitoring Standards are in the process of being finalized and will be published soon. Notification will be sent to RWHAP Part B recipients once they are published.

- 2. Will the updated National Monitoring Standards documents include an appendix of the changes that were made, particularly related to the expectations/interpretations of the previous guidance?**

Answer: The Executive Summary of the National Monitoring Standards contains a brief summary outlining key changes from the previous version. Furthermore, the expected use of the National Monitoring Standards has not changed. The National Monitoring Standards were established as a technical assistance resource to support RWHAP Part A and Part B recipients and subrecipients in meeting federal requirements for program and fiscal management, monitoring, reporting, and oversight of the RWHAP Part A and Part B, and provide a compilation of all major RWHAP documents used for compliance, oversight, and expectations.

- 3. Should we anticipate further major changes to the National Monitoring Standards following the webinar?**

Answer: Further major changes to the National Monitoring Standards beyond what was outlined during the webinar are not anticipated. The major change to the National Monitoring Standards was around formatting. It is now more user friendly. The other updates were around policy changes; for example, changes to reflect policy clarification notice (PCN) 21-02.

- 4. How should discrepancies in National Monitoring Standards guidance across the RWHAP Parts be addressed?**

Answer: If a discrepancy is noted, please let your designated project officer know as soon as possible.

- 5. Would it be possible to involve frontline staff directly during the manual update process?**

Answer: Recipient engagement is part of the manual review and update process. In addition, if you have feedback following receipt of the National Monitoring Standards or have questions, please reach out to your project officer.

6. Can recipients and subrecipients with RWHAP Part A and Part B funding combine the Program and Universal Monitoring tools?

Answer: The Universal Monitoring Standards cover both fiscal and program requirements that apply to both the RWHAP Part A and Part B. There are some similarities in the Program Monitoring Standards between RWHAP Part A and Part B, but there could be different performance measures or methods, which can result in different recipient and subrecipient responsibilities. Recipients should ensure they are referencing their part-specific National Monitoring Standards.

Note: Questions pertaining to specific RWHAP policies should be submitted to RWHAPPolicy@hrsa.gov.