

Conference Sponsorship Guidelines

ABOUT THE TRUST

The Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority is a state corporation that administers the Alaska Mental Health Trust, a perpetual trust, to improve the lives of beneficiaries. The Trust operates much like a private foundation, using its resources to provide leadership in advocacy, planning, implementing, and funding of a Comprehensive Integrated Mental Health Program.

Beneficiaries of the Trust include the following broad groups of Alaskans with:

- mental illness
- developmental disabilities
- chronic alcoholism and other substance related disorders
- Alzheimer’s disease and related dementia
- traumatic brain injuries

The Trust also works in prevention and early intervention services for individuals at risk of becoming beneficiaries. The Trust considers prevention of these conditions, where possible, to be part of its mandate.

CONFERENCE SPONSORSHIP GRANTS

WHAT?	<p>The Trust sponsors conferences, seminars and training partnership grants to organizations that serve Trust beneficiaries for a specific purpose or need that is consistent with the Trust’s mission and current funding priorities.</p> <p>Conference sponsorships typically range between \$2,500 and \$5,000.</p>
WHO?	<p>Eligible organizations for conference sponsorship grants are foundations, government agencies, tribal entities, nonprofits and corporations who serve Trust beneficiaries.</p>

WHY?	The Trust provides conference sponsorships to provide opportunities for Trust beneficiaries in the community, develop a strong workforce and to promote cross agency dialogue.
GENERAL FUNDING GUIDELINES	
How to Apply	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete and submit a Letter of Interest form, located at: http://mhtrust.org/grants/conferencesponsorships. • Once the Letter of Interest is received, you will be contacted and notified within three weeks if the sponsorship is approved or not.
To be considered, all funding requests MUST:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide an agenda that clearly identifies the topics and trainings specific to Trust beneficiaries. • Provide a clear and strong connection for how the conference will improve the systems, provider skills and competencies, and service delivery for beneficiaries in their communities.
QUESTIONS	
What other funding is available from the Trust?	Complete details and application procedures for all grants can be found under “Grants” on the Trust’s website (www.mhtrust.org).
Who can provide additional information?	Call Luke Lind, Grants Administrator, at 907-269-7999 or email lucas.lind@alaska.gov .