

The Department of Behavioral Health and Intellectual disAbility Services (DBHIDS)

Provider & Program Management (PPM) Unit

#### Summer Camp Guidelines for Participation 2024

## General Information and Eligibility Criteria

- The Madeline Moore Summer Camp Grant is offered by the Department of Behavioral Health and disAbility Services (DBHIDS) and administered by the Provider & Program Management (PPM) Unit.
- The grant offers up to \$400 to offset the cost of camp.
- Children must reside in Philadelphia and be receiving behavioral health services.
- Children must be between the ages of 6 to 17.
- Camps must offer 75% recreational activity to participate. The grant cannot be applied to therapeutic camps, day care, or education enrichment camps.
- PPM staff as well as behavioral health staff who support the campers visit during the summer.
- Applications are accepted from March 11 through May 31, on a first come, first served basis.

## Personnel

Camps must maintain the following:

- 1. Current clearances for all staff. (Child abuse, FBI fingerprint, Criminal record check)
- 2. Written procedures for discipline of campers. Staff should be trained in these procedures.
- 3. Statement of personnel policies and practices. Staff should be trained in these policies.
- 4. Staff should have basic First Aid training.
- 5. We encourage Mental First Aid training for staff. Virtual trainings are available. This training is free. http://healthymindsphilly.org/mhfa

# Safety Guidelines

- 1. COVID guidelines that follow state and local requirements must be posted and adhered to.
- 2. Camp shall establish written emergency procedures that address evacuation of the camp in case of fire, disasters, serious accidents, illness or injury.
- 3. Camp shall inform each staff member of his/her duties in case of an emergency.
- 4. Camp shall ensure that security measures are in place and that facility is secured from unwelcomed visitors.
- 5. Camp shall report to PPM any significant incidents within 24 hours.

# Facilities

- 1. Camp must take proper precautionary measures regarding hazardous areas, including fences and warning signs, to eliminate accidents.
- 2. Camp facility must remain sanitary to ensure a safe site for children.
- 3. Equipment used in the camp facilities must be of good quality as not to present risk of injury.

## Application-Agreement

Participating camps sign an agreement with DBHIDS which includes but is not limited to the following:

- Be ready to accept grant applications by Monday, March 11.
- Understand that the grant approval letter is a guarantee of payment.
- Agree to admit those children who have been approved for grant funding even when payment has not yet been received.
- Attendance sheets should be submitted no later than 2 weeks after camp has ended.
- Refund grant funds for children who did not attend.

## General Business Requirements

The following documentation must be submitted through the SummerCamp website.

- 1. Signed Application/Agreement
- 2. Certificate of Occupancy or DHS Certificate of Compliance
- 3. Proof of Insurance (covering accidents, negligence and appropriate employee malpractice)
- 4. Established Emergency Protocol
- 5. Camp Brochure
- 6. Camper Registration Form
- 7. Request for W-9
- 8. American Camp Association membership certificate (if affiliated)

#### Camp Brochure/Flyer

#### Must include the following:

- Camp name
- Site location(s)
- Encampment year
- Encampment dates
- Camp activities
- All applicable camp fees

## **Camper Registration Form**

Must include the following:

- 1. Camp name
- 2. Current Year
- 3. Camper's name

#### Completing Grant Application

When grant application is presented, complete the following fields:

- 1. Insert dates child will attend camp.
- 2. Enter all camp fees.
- 3. Enter discounts or subsidies as a (-) in Other field.
- 4. All fields should equal the total cost of camp.
- 5. Camp director or designated camp staff must sign grant application.

#### Approvals, Payments, Attendance Sheets

- PPM processes grant applications through June.
- The grant approval letter is your camp's guarantee of payment.
- Payments are issued between June through August.
- View all approvals via the SummerCamp website.
- Attendance sheets will be emailed prior to the start of camp.
- Completed attendance sheets should be returned no later than 2 weeks after camp has ended.

#### SummerCamp Website and Contact Info

• Register to participate at:

https://dbhidsapps.phila.gov/SCCamp/SummerCamp/Account/LogOn

- Review the *Camp Registration Instructions* document for complete procedures.
- We are always available via email at: *SummerCamp\_DBHIDS@Phila.gov.*