

42 C.F.R. § 8.3

Application for approval as an Accreditation Body.

- (a) *Eligibility.* Private nonprofit organizations, State or territorial governmental entities, or political subdivisions thereof, and Indian Tribes as defined by the Federally Recognized Indian Tribe List Act of 1994, that are capable of meeting the requirements of this part may apply for approval as an Accreditation Body.
- (b) *Application for initial approval.* Electronic copies of an Accreditation Body application form [SMA-167] shall be submitted to: <https://dpt2.samhsa.gov/sma163/>. Accreditation Body applications shall include the following information and supporting documentation:
- (1) Name, address, and telephone number of the applicant and a responsible official for the Accreditation Body. The application shall be signed by the responsible official;
 - (2) Evidence of the nonprofit status of the applicant (*i.e.*, of fulfilling Internal Revenue Service requirements as a nonprofit organization) if the applicant is not a State or territorial governmental entity, Indian Tribe, or political subdivision;
 - (3) A set of the accreditation elements or standards and a detailed discussion showing how the proposed accreditation elements or standards will ensure that each OTP surveyed by the applicant is qualified to meet or is meeting each of the Federal opioid use disorder treatment standards set forth in § 8.12;
 - (4) A detailed description of the applicant's decision-making process, including:
 - (i) Procedures for initiating and performing onsite accreditation surveys of OTPs;
 - (ii) Procedures for assessing OTP personnel qualifications;
 - (iii) Copies of an application for accreditation, guidelines, instructions, and other materials the applicant will send to OTPs during the accreditation process, including a request for a complete history of prior accreditation activities and a statement that all information and data submitted in the application for accreditation is true and accurate, and that no material fact has been omitted;

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