

LOUISIANA MUSIC AND MEMORY PROGRAM

Frequently Asked Questions

Who can apply?

Any Louisiana nursing facility certified for Medicaid and/or Medicare and who was not awarded M&M equipment and certification in the first round are eligible to apply.

How Does A Nursing Facility Apply?

Facilities interested in participating in the Music & Memory Program must submit an Application and Participation Agreement to:

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Quality Improvement Manager
Louisiana Dept. of Health
628 N.4tyh St., Cubicle 237-21
Baton Rouge, LA 70802

NOTE: Applications must contain all four signatures as required on page 3 of the application.

What is the deadline for the application?

Applications must be **mailed and postmarked** by December 9, 2016. **Faxed and emailed applications will not be accepted.**

What is the project period?

Facilities must become certified for Music & Memory no later than June 30, 2017. Facilities will then complete a short, electronically submitted survey every 3 months for one year past the facilities certification date.

What is the anticipated date for notice of selection?

We anticipate announcing selected facilities by December 23, 2016.

How many facilities will be selected?

We anticipate selecting up to 80 nursing homes.

What equipment and supplies will selected facilities receive?

Selected facilities will receive 15 iPod shuffles, 15 pairs of headphones, 2 splitters, 1 speaker, 15 AC adaptors and a \$150 iTune library gift card.

What training will selected nursing facilities be required to undertake for certification?

Each of the selected nursing facilities will be required to designate at least two staff to attend three consecutive day ninety minute certification webinars taught by the Music & Memory staff. Certification webinars are held monthly at no charge for those nursing facilities who wish to train additional staff.

What if a selected nursing facility want to involve more than fifteen residents in Music & Memory?

Nursing facilities are encouraged to involve as many residents as possible in Music & Memory. Once a facility has completed the Music & Memory certification course, additional equipment may be purchased at a discount from Music & Memory, Inc.

How will facilities be selected?

Facilities will be selected to achieve a balance in type of ownership and geographic distribution. Preference will be given to facilities with higher rates of antipsychotic use.

Can a facility/corporation appeal if a nursing home is not selected for participation?

No.

Who do facilities contract for more information or with questions about the Music & Memory program?

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