10.1 FINAL SELECTION

After initial screening for eligibility and Application completeness, and initial evaluation against the criteria listed in **Section 9.4**, **Evaluation Criteria**, the System Agency may apply other considerations such as program policy or other selection factors that are essential to the process of selecting Applications that individually or collectively achieve program objectives. In applying these factors, the System Agency may consult with internal and external subject matter experts. The funding methodology for issuing final Grant Agreements will include funding allocated by Program Type at the Region level as determined by a formula that uses poverty-weighted population (80 percent), population density (5 percent), and need (15 percent). The System Agency will make final funding decisions based on Applicant eligibility, evaluation rankings, Region served, and the funding methodology above. To ensure programmatic statewide coverage, HHSC will allow each organization one award per Region according to the following parameters:

- A. One (1) Prevention Resource Center (PRC);
- B. One (1) Community Coalition Partnership (CCP) with up to four (4) Coalitions. HHSC will only fund one (1) coalition to serve one (1) county, except in counties with a population of over 2 million, where up to three (3) coalitions may be funded (more information on county size: <u>https://www.texas-demographics.com/counties_by_population</u>); and
- C. One (1) Youth Prevention Program Type (YP) with up to four (4) different curricula across the three (3) Programs (YPU, YPS, YPI). A fifth curriculum may also be allowed if it is Family-Focused. No organization is eligible to receive funding for more than two (2) curricula per Program (YPU, YPS, YPI) unless at least one (1) of them is Family-Focused. The same curriculum cannot be selected more than once per Program. Refer to Exhibit O. Approved Curriculum List.

Multiple organizations may be awarded in the same Region for CCP and YP. Only one organization will be awarded for PRC per Region. A single organization may receive awards for multiple Regions. One application is required per Region per organization.

After applications are scored:

- A. The application will be ranked against other applications within the same Region and Program Type;
- B. As outlined above, a single application may be considered for funding for numerous Program Types within a single Region;
- C. Ranking within each Program Type and Region group will be weighted according to the domains applicable to each Program Type; and
- D. Applications will be considered for funding based on score and availability of funds within each Region and Program Type group.

All funding recommendations will be considered for approval by the HHSC Program Deputy Executive Commissioner, or their designee.

Actual award amounts by Region may vary from the targeted allocation amount depending on the application received through the RFA process. Funds not awarded within a Region as allocated may be re-allocated to other Regions and Program types or may be reallocated to another Region(s) with demonstrated need and capacity.