

Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) PS19-1906: Strategic Partnerships and Planning to Support Ending the HIV Epidemic in the United States

Component A: National Network to Enhance Strategic Communications, Partnerships, Policy Analysis and Interpretation-

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Award

Q: How many awards will be awarded under Component A?

A: Component A will have one award.

Q: Is Component A for 5 years?

A: Yes, Component A is for 5 years.

Eligibility

Q: On page 27, under Component A, it states that applicant must have ongoing access to a partnership system that represents state and local health department programs and staff. One example of a partnership system listed was a membership roster. Is membership required and how do we demonstrate regular and on-going communication?

A: As a requirement of Component A, applicants must submit proof of an existing partnership system that represents state and local health department HIV programs and staff. Examples of membership include, but are not limited to: membership rosters, organization bylaws or policies and procedures that include language that is supportive of an established partnership system, etc. Examples of on-going communication can be demonstrated through newsletters, meeting minutes, etc.

Q: How many contractual partnerships can an applicant submit in their application?

A: Applicants may propose to execute contractual partnerships with up to two national partners to support the implementation of the NOFO requirements.

Q: Does contractual partnership mean monetary compensation?

A: Contractual can mean monetary compensation or agreement for exchange of services.

Q: How is CDC defining strategic partnerships?

A: Examples of strategic partnerships include, but are not limited to: federal agencies (e.g., the Health Resources and Services Administration, the Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration) and their recipients; public health departments; tribal governments and/or tribally designated organizations; local and state education agencies; colleges and universities; non-CDC funded CBOs; capacity building assistance organizations; faith-based organizations; for-profit organizations; clinics and hospitals; non-governmental organizations; state and local governments; community advocates; community members; and other stakeholders that may have a vested interest in promoting health through HIV prevention, care, and treatment.

Q: Are MOAs/MOUs required at submission?

A: MOAs/MOUs are not required at the time the application is submitted.

Q: Does the table of contents, project abstract summary, and project narrative have to be in separate documents?

A: No, but all sections need to be labeled accordingly. The requirements need to be easily identified in the document. Please ensure you follow the guidance provided in GrantSolutions specific to uploading of the required documents.

Q: Can a for-profit partner apply with another applicant?

A: No, the applicant and all contractual partnerships must have an established 501(c)(3) IRS status, other than institutions of higher education.

Submission Requirements

Q: Is the Letter of Intent (LOI) required?

A: The LOI is requested, not required.

Q: Can the work plan be included as an attachment and not count toward the page limit of 20 pages?

A: Yes, the work plan can be uploaded as a separate attachment under "Other Documents" and labeled "Work Plan".

Budget and Funding Requirements

Q: What is the amount of the award for Component A?

A: The approximate award amount for Component A is \$1.5 million per year and is subject to the availability of funds.

Q: When should the proposed budget period begin?

A: The budget period begins on September 30, 2019.

Additional Questions

Q: Where are the FAQs? The link is not working.

A: All questions received via the PS19-1906 mailbox and during the informational calls will be posted on the PS19-1906 website under the FAQ tab. We will post questions that applicants are asking from the webinar and the PS19-1906 mailbox in the FAQ link.

Q: Is a data management plan (DMP) required for Component A?

A: Yes, A Data Management Plan (DMP) is required for Component A.

Q: Can an organization submit an application and also be a contractual partner on someone else's application?

A: Yes, an organization can submit an application and be listed as a contractual partner on another organization's application.

Q: What National stakeholder planning meetings will we be expected to host?

A: Awardees will collaborate with DHAP to host meetings relevant to advancement in HIV and STI prevention. Example are, but not limited PrEP, Mathematical modeling, and Data-to-Care.

Q: In the NOFO it states that we are expected to analyze, and interpret national and jurisdictional – level data in areas of HIV prevention and surveillance policies and programs. Is the expectation for us to just work with Phase I HDs or all CDC-funded HDs?

A: The expectation is for the recipients to work with all CDC-funded HDs; however, there will be certain activities that will be specifically for the PS19-1906, Component B: Phase I funded jurisdictions.

Q: Are PS19-1906: Component A applicants required to provide an evaluation and performance measurement plan?

A: Yes, a Data Management Plan (DMP) is required for PS19-1906-Component A.