

Request for Proposals Supplement (REVISED)

Supporting Community-Based Organizations

Implementing Strategies to Increase Equitable Vaccine

Access for People with Disabilities

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Failure to comply with any amended requirements and instructions included in this Supplement may result in a proposal being deemed non-responsive and ineligible for consideration for funding.

Please note that only communication received in writing from the RFP Contact on behalf of the CDC Foundation shall serve to supplement, amend, or alter in any way, this RFP released by the CDC Foundation. Any other communication is not binding and should not be relied upon by any party in interpreting or responding to this RFP.

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Revisions to the RFP

The changes listed below are made to the RFP (REVISED November 29th, 2021):

Accessibility

- Updated formatting with the goal of improving content accessibility
- Added phone number as additional method of contact for questions and assistance
 - Applicants may submit additional questions related to the RFP via email to the <u>heprograms@cdcfoundation.org</u> or calling (213) 475-6342
- Added ability to request alternative method of proposal submission if needed
 - Applicants may request alternative method of proposal submission by emailing <u>heprograms@cdcfoundation.org</u> or calling (213) 475-6342 to coordinate an alternative method.

RFP Requirements

- Updated budget requirements to include reasonable accommodations as an allowable direct cost
- Updated funding categories to distinguish program site selection

	Maximum Amount
Category	per Award
Level 1: Programs serving 3 sites across 3 distinct U.S.	\$517,000
states and/or territories. Sites do not have to be	
statewide.	
Level 2: Programs serving 4 sites across 4 distinct U.S.	\$689 <i>,</i> 000
states and/or territories. Sites do not have to be	
statewide.	

• Corrected RFP evaluation and selection criteria to reflect RFP application

- Extended RFP Inquiry period to 5:00pm ET on Friday, December 3rd, 2021
- Extended RFP due date to 7:00pm ET on Friday, December 10th, 2021

Questions and Answers

Q: Do the partnering states/territories have to be in close proximity of each other or can they be scattered (i.e. a partnership in Florida and Pennsylvania and another state)?

A: The partnering sites can be in any distinct U.S. state and/or territory. They do not have to be in proximity to each other. **Sites do not have to be statewide**.

Q: Are indirect/facilities and administrative (F&A) costs allowable?

A: To claim indirect costs, the applicant organization must have a current approved indirect cost rate agreement established with the cognizant federal agency. A copy of the most recent indirect cost rate agreement must be provided with the application. If the applicant organization does not have an approved indirect cost rate agreement, costs normally identified as indirect costs (overhead costs) can be budgeted and identified as direct costs.

All budgets should conform with the CDC Budget Preparation Guidelines

Q: Is July 31st, 2022 the last day we can allocate funds in the budget (7 month period)?

A: Expected implementation period is **January 1st, 2022, through July 31st, 2022**. If the proposed implementation period will start later, please develop your budget to accurately reflect activities based on your proposed start and end dates. Please note that budgets may not run past July 31st, 2022.