

2019-2024 Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) Notice of Funding Opportunity: Fast Facts

The PHEP notice of funding opportunity (NOFO) supports strengthening the capability of public health systems to effectively prepare for and respond to public health threats and emergencies. CDC has developed PHEP strategies and activities for the next five-year period of performance (performance period) to improve the readiness of state, local, and territorial public health systems to reduce the threats to the community's health and safety and to save lives during emergencies that exceed the day-to-day capacity and capability of the public health response systems.

At-A-Glance

- Funding Opportunity Number: CDC-RFA-TP19-1901
- Performance Period Length: 5 years
- Budget Period Length: 12 months
- Performance Period: July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2024
- Budget Period 1 Funding: \$620,250,000
- Eligible Applicants: Current 62 PHEP Recipients
- Funding Application Deadline: 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time, May 3, 2019
- Application Submission: www.grants.gov
- Anticipated Award Date: July 1, 2019

Recipient Informational Calls

- Joint HPP-PHEP Call: Wednesday, March 6, 2:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. Eastern Time
- PHEP-Only Call: Wednesday, March 13, 2:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. Eastern Time
- PHEP-Only Call: Thursday, March 14, 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. Eastern Time

The PHEP NOFO and application package are available at <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=310318>. CDC has developed supplemental resources to assist PHEP recipients in developing work plans that address the strategies and activities outlined in the six domains of the PHEP logic model. The 2019-2024 PHEP Supplemental Guidance and Resources are available at <https://www.cdc.gov/cpr/readiness/phep.htm>.

Recipient Goals

CDC has updated the PHEP logic model based on the 2018 [Public Health Emergency Preparedness and Response Capabilities: National Standards for State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial Public Health](#). In July 2020, CDC plans to implement an expanded Operational Readiness Review (ORR) process to encompass all 15 capabilities.

- PHEP recipients should achieve an “established” level of MCM operational readiness on or before the end of Budget Period 3, June 30, 2022.
- PHEP recipients should demonstrate measurable progress across all six capability domains, with a goal of achieving an “established” level of operational readiness in all capabilities by the end of the performance period, June 30, 2024.



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Programmatic Changes

- **Stronger Evaluation and Accountability Measures:** Increases emphasis on programmatic, fiscal, and administrative accountability, with potential PHEP funding modifications for recipients. Includes clear, defined monitoring expectations and the implementation of the ORR across all 15 capabilities in July 2020.
- **Whole Community Planning:** Promotes planning for all populations, including those with access and functional needs.
- **Local Health Department Engagement:** Increases accountability for subrecipient monitoring, technical assistance, and guidance.
- **Tribal Engagement and Planning:** Replaces the submission of tribal concurrence letters with required descriptions of how recipients plan with and for these populations.
- **Modified Requirements for Territories and Freely Associated States:** Requirements emphasize continuous planning and modified exercise deliverables.
- **Laboratory Response Network – Chemical Equipment Replacement:** Remaining Level 2 laboratories must work toward completing nerve agent metabolites (NAM) equipment replacement by the end of Budget Period 2. CDC is designating funding for this.
- **Emphasis on Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP) Preparedness Cycle:** Promotes adoption of this methodology while planning to ensure that education and training opportunities exist to address gaps in capabilities and those that are prioritized by after-action reports, improvement plans, HHS Capabilities Planning Guide data, and jurisdictional risk assessments.
- **HPP Coordination:** Continued alignment of programmatic activities and requirements; however the cooperative agreements will be administered separately.
- **New Exercise Requirements:** Continuity of operations (COOP) and administrative preparedness plans must be tested via tabletop exercises once during the performance period. There are also additional pandemic influenza exercise requirements.
- **MCM Risk-Based Planning:** Introduces new scenario-specific requirements for MCM planning.
- **Pandemic Influenza Readiness Assessment (PIRA) Action Planning:** PIRA action plans will no longer be used; pandemic influenza planning information will be incorporated in the ORR tool.
- **Subrecipient Contracts:** No longer available.



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Application Submission Requirements

Following is a list of attachments recipients **must** upload as PDF files as part of their applications at www.grants.gov.

- Table of Contents
- Project Abstract
- Project Narrative
- Domain Work Plan
- Budget Narrative
- Application for Federal Assistance (SF-424)
- Budget Information for Non-Construction Programs (SF-424A)
- Indirect Cost Rate Agreement or Cost Allocation Plan
- CDC Assurances and Certifications (PHS-5161)
- Senior Health Official (SHO) Letter
- Local Health Department Concurrence Letter (for applicable recipients)
- Subrecipient Monitoring Plan
- Organizational Chart
- Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (SF-LLL)

Optional attachments:

- Memorandum of Agreement (MOA)
- Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)
- Bona Fide Agent Status Documentation, if applicable

