

Public Health Emergency Preparedness Budget Period 2 Informational Call Questions and Answers (January 22, 2020)

1. QUESTION: Does a five-year training plan need to be submitted with this application?

ANSWER: No. The 2019-2024 PHEP notice of funding opportunity (NOFO) requires recipients to develop, update, and submit annually multiyear training and exercise plans (MYTEPs) that specify at least two years of trainings and exercises. Unlike programmatic requirements of prior NOFOs, the MYTEP does not have to cover a five-year period.

2. QUESTION: What is required for submitting the pandemic influenza plan?

ANSWER: PHEP recipients meet the requirement for pandemic influenza planning through their participation in CDC's operational readiness review (ORR) process, which evaluates select pandemic influenza and mass vaccination elements. In addition, PHEP recipients must address pandemic planning gaps as part of their technical assistance action plans.

3. QUESTION: When will the work plan templates be available to recipients?

ANSWER: Templates from Budget Period 1 are unchanged and are now available in the Budget Period 2 folder in the PERFORMS Resource Library.

4. QUESTION: How do the Pandemic and All Hazards Preparedness and Innovation Act (PAHPAI) requirements outlined in the continuation guidance document get included in the application? Where are they submitted?

ANSWER: The PHEP continuation guidance identifies new programmatic requirements required by the PAHPAI legislation. As they plan Budget Period 2 activities, PHEP recipients should address these requirements within their regular domain work plan activities. A separate narrative is not required.

5. QUESTION: How will PHEP jurisdictions be selected for the PHEP ORR pilot?

ANSWER: This has not been fully determined yet.

6. QUESTION: Under what line item should consultant costs be included?

ANSWER: The PHEP program typically requires that consultant costs be included under the "Other" line item. However, some states have business policies and procedures that require them to assign the consultant costs in the "Contractual" line item category. Those states should adhere to their state policies and assign these costs to the "Contractual" line item and work with their PHEP specialists to ensure appropriate budget cost allocation for consultant costs. Recipients should ensure they use the same category in both PERFORMS and the Grants Management Module in GrantSolutions.

