

Questions and Answers – 12/18/2015

Funding Opportunity Announcement CDC-RFA-GH16-1640

Assisting the Ministry of Health and Social Services (MOHSS) in Providing Critical Human Resources for Health to Achieve HIV Epidemic Control in Namibia under the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR)

	Question	Response
1.	<p>On page 33, the FOA states that the funding limit for any single partner organization is no more than 8% of Namibia's FY 2016 PEPFAR program funding. Our organization currently holds a new five year cooperative agreement that is funded with PEPFAR FY 2013 funding. Should this FY 2013 funding be counted in determining whether our organization is eligible for this award? In addition, would CDC please clarify the estimated dollar value of 8% of the PEPFAR budget in Namibia each year of the anticipated award in order to determine our organization's eligibility for this award?</p>	<p>All applicants are encouraged to apply for the FOA. The 8% rule is detailed on pages 33 of the FOA. The limit does not apply to application or pre award. In the event that the ceiling of 8% or \$2million is exceeded when the award is made, CDC will seek a waiver from the 8% rule.</p>
2.	<p>Will CDC please confirm our understanding that the awardee is expected to provide technical assistance to the MOHSS to hire staff on Ministry contracts rather than directly hire health care workers on private contracts?</p>	<p>The FOA clearly describes the Project Description and activities in Part II – Funding Opportunity Description – 2. CDC Project Description starting on page 7. The awardee is expected to provide technical assistance and a variety of direct services.</p>
3.	<p>On page 16 of the FOA, it states that \$8,867,471 is the approximate total fiscal year funding, but it is also listed as the approximate average award amount and the award ceiling. Given that the total project period length is stated at 5 years (also on page 16), will CDC please clarify whether the \$8,867,471 budget for the first year or for all five years?</p>	<p>The Approximate Total Fiscal Year Funding, the Approximate Average Award, and the Award Ceiling are all year one funding levels for the first 12 month budget period. The amount is \$8,867,471.</p> <p>The Total Project Period Length is 5 years and the Approximate Project Period Funding is None. Throughout the project period, CDC will continue the award based on the availability of funds, the evidence of satisfactory progress by the awardee (as documented in required reports), and the determination that continued funding is in the best interest of the federal government.</p>