

Questions and Answers – 12/23/2015

Funding Opportunity Announcement CDC-RFA-GH16-1670

Capacity Building and Strengthening Implementation of HIV Combination Prevention and Treatment Services in Priority Geographic Locations and Populations at Facility, Community, District and Provincial Levels in the Republic of Zambia under the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR)

	Question	Response
1.	We would like to get more information on the HIV/AIDS funding as we are interested in applying for these grants	Your organization should review the FOA, and determine fit with eligibility and capacity to implement activities and achieve the stated outcomes when considering whether or not to apply. If you have specific questions about the FOA and of the FOAs, please submit those in writing in accordance with the Questions and Answers section of the FOA. CDC is unable to convene a call with your organization as that could provide your organization with an unfair advantage.
2.	Due to the size of the award, will all applicants be applying for a waiver of the PEPFAR 8% rule?	All applicants are encouraged to apply for the FOA. The 8% rule 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.
3.	Page 5 average one year award amount: \$20,000,000. Please clarify if this amount is for year one or for the entire 5 year period of the duration of the grant.	The approximate average award on page 38 (\$20,000,000) is the anticipated Year 1 Ceiling.
4.	Page 44 The applicant should have demonstrable institutional capacity (both management and technical) to achieve the goals of the FOA with documented good governance practices, with a proven track record of building the capacity of organizations and individuals and implementation of HIV prevention, clinical care and treatment and laboratory programs in CDC supported provinces of Lusaka, Eastern, Western, and Southern. Please clarify whether applications for this award are only limited to organization/s that have currently or previously supported CDC programs in Lusaka, Eastern, Western and Southern provinces of Zambia	This is an open competition funding opportunity announcement. Please see page 38 for more information on eligibility. Competition is not limited to organization/s that have currently or previously supported CDC programs in Lusaka, Eastern, Western and Southern provinces of Zambia