



Webinar for Supporting Tribal Public Health Capacity in Coronavirus Preparedness and Response

CDC-RFA-OT20-2004, Supporting Tribal Public Health Capacity in Coronavirus Preparedness and Response

Application Due Date: May 31, 2020

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For more information, visit: www.cdc.gov/COVID19

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COVID-19 Response Overview

- January 20: CDC activated its Emergency Operations Center
- March 11: World Health Organization (WHO) declared COVID-19 a pandemic
- March 13: President issued a Proclamation on Declaring a National Emergency Concerning the COVID-19 Outbreak
- March 6: President signed the Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act
- March 27: President signed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act
 - Both funding packages provide funds for grants or cooperative agreements to states, localities, territories, tribes, tribal organizations, urban Indian health organizations, or health service providers to tribes to carry out surveillance, epidemiology, laboratory capacity, infection control, mitigation, communications, and other preparedness and response activities.

COVID-19 Response Overview

With this announcement:

- CDC is awarding at least \$40,000,000 of initial funding to federally recognized tribes and tribal organizations that contract or compact with the Indian Health Service under Title I and Title V of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, or consortia of these tribes, or their bona fide agents.
- All federally recognized tribes, tribal organizations, consortia of federally recognized tribes, or their bona fide agents should apply to be considered for subsequent funding through this announcement.
- Funding and future funding is intended to carry out surveillance, epidemiology, laboratory capacity, infection control, mitigation, communications, and other preparedness and response activities for COVID-19.

Funding Allocation Plan (Slide 1 of 2)

- This NOFO is comprised of two components:
- Component A: Federally recognized tribes and tribal organizations that contract or compact with the Indian Health Service under Title I and Title V of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, or consortia of these tribes, or their bona fide agents
- Component B: All federally recognized tribes, tribal organizations, consortia of federally recognized tribes, or their bona fide agents, including Component A applicants
- All applicants under Component A will be funded using the initial \$40 million committed to this funding opportunity
- Applicants under Component B should apply to be eligible for subsequent rounds of funding through this mechanism

Funding Allocation Plan (Slide 2 of 2)

- It is not possible to approximate an amount of funding without knowing the actual number of applicants
- For applicant budget planning and workplan development purposes, the following estimated award floor and ceiling amounts are proposed:
 - Award Floor: \$25,000
 - Award Ceiling: \$1,500,000
- This amount may change depending on the number of applicants for this award
- CDC anticipates additional funds that may be added to existing awards without the need for competition

Complementary and Non-Duplicative CDC COVID-19 Funding Mechanisms

- With this current Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO), CDC is awarding \$40,000,000, part of a total of \$80,750,000 to tribal entities.
- CDC-RFA-TP18-1802 Cooperative Agreement for Emergency Response: Public Health Crisis Response (Crisis Response Cooperative Agreement) for this event; *\$750,000 – Cherokee Nation*
- CDC-OT18-1803: Tribal Public Health Capacity-Building and Quality Improvement Umbrella Cooperative Agreement – \$30,000,000 – *9 Regional Tribal Organizations and 4 Tribes with a population size of 40,000 or more*
- CDC-OT18-1802: Strengthening Public Health Systems and Services through National Partnerships to Improvement and Protect the Nation's Health; *\$10,000,000 to 2 National Tribal Organizations*

Award Information

- Approximate initial supplemental funding is at least \$40,000,000
 - Budget period: 12 months
 - Initial period of performance: 12 months
 - Award Floor: Initially estimated at \$25,000
 - Award Ceiling: Initially estimated at \$1,500,000
- Award posting date was April 1, 2020, on www.grants.gov. Application due date is May 31, 2020.
- Intention is to issue initial notices of awards as applications are received prior to the application due date to address urgent COVID-19 response needs.
- Second notices of award may be released depending on number of applications received.
- Recipients are encouraged to collaborate to ensure that activities and funding are coordinated with, complementary of, and not duplicative of efforts supported under other CDC programs that support COVID-19 response.

Recipients are encouraged to use funds:

- To support tribes, tribal organizations, urban Indian health organizations, or health service providers to tribes to prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19.
- For their highest priority response needs including the following:
 - To carry out emergency operations and coordination, health information, technology, surveillance and epidemiology, laboratory capacity, communications, countermeasures and mitigation, recovery activities, and other preparedness and response activities related to COVID-19
 - For the construction, alteration, or renovation of non-federally owned facilities to improve preparedness and response capability
 - To reimburse costs for these purposes incurred on or after January 20, 2020, with CDC approval.

COVID-19 Emergency Funding Provided to Conduct the Following Public Health Activities

- Emergency operations and coordination
- Health information technology
- Surveillance and epidemiology
- Laboratory capacity
- Communications
- Countermeasures and mitigation activities
- Recovery activities
- Other preparedness and response activities to COVID-19

Funded recipients are expected to identify appropriate strategies and activities based on local priorities and need to rapidly mobilize and respond to COVID-19.

Evaluation and Performance Measurement Strategy

- CDC will utilize recipient progress reporting data to address evaluation questions pertaining to use of funds and results associated with the grant.
- CDC will collect information from recipients biannually, once at six (6) months, and once at the end of the period of performance.

Monitoring and Reporting Activities

- CDC will conduct a virtual compliance visit after six months, but prior to the end of the year, from date of the award.
- The virtual compliance visit will be a telephone call and/or video conference to ensure the recipient's compliance with using funds for the approved activities and to identify technical assistance needs.
- There is not a standard set of CDC required outcomes; funded recipients are expected to identify and achieve outcomes based on local priorities and need to rapidly mobilize and respond to COVID-19.

Application Requirements

- Initiate **required registrations** (see next slide)
- Submit **SF-424 and SF-424A forms**
- Upload **organizational capacity statement**
- Upload completed **work plan** (template provided)
- Upload **budget narrative** with approximate numbers

Application Submission Readiness

- **Completed these steps to be eligible prior to submitting your application.**
- **Obtain a Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS)**
 - For additional help, contact SAMHelp@dnb.com or call 1-866-705-5711.
 - It can be created within 1 business day
- **Register for a System for Award Management (SAM) account**
 - Organization's DUNS number and Tax ID number or Employer Identification Number (EIN) are needed
 - For help, contact the supporting Federal Service Desk (FSD) at <https://www.fsd.gov/> or call 1-866-606-8220.
 - If already registered, please ensure that your account is active at least through June 2020
 - Applicants are not required to have an active SAM registration at the time of application but are encouraged to complete at the earliest
- **Register your organization on Grants.gov**
 - Before applying for a funding opportunity, you need to register for an account with Grants.gov
 - Reference the [Grants.gov Online Help Portal](#) for additional information.
 - For help, contact support@grants.gov or call 1-800-518-4726

Anticipated Award Dates

- Applicants will have up to 60 days, or May 31, 2020, to respond.
- Applicants are encouraged to apply early; CDC plans to review applications and issue awards as applications are received.
- Recipients will receive an initial Notice of Award (NOA) shortly following the review and approval of their award application.
- Anticipated award dates are approximately 10 calendar days after application receipt, up to June 10, 2020.
- CDC anticipates additional funds that may be added to existing awards without the need for competition.
- Once the application period ends and all applications have been received, recipients will receive a final NOA with the total amount they will be awarded.

Timelines

- **Announcement published:**
April 1, 2020
- **Application due date is:**
May 31, 2020
- **Anticipated award date:**
June 10, 2020
- CDC intends to issue initial notices of award as applications are received
- **Total Period of Performance Funding:** \$40,000,000
- **Initial period of performance:**
12 months
- **Estimated award floor:** \$25,000
- **Estimated award ceiling:**
\$1,500,000

CDC Notice of Funding Opportunity CDC-RFA-OT20-2004, *Supporting Tribal Public Health Capacity in Coronavirus Preparedness and Response* can be found at www.grants.gov

Question-and-Answer Session

- Please send additional questions not discussed here to TribalCOVIDnofo@cdc.gov
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