



GEORGIA HIV PREVENTION GRANT QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

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| <p>Q: Can the Medical College of Georgia apply for this grant?</p> | <p><i>A: This funding opportunity is open to any nonprofit agency (e.g., community-based, faith-based, hospital) that holds a federal IRS certificate verifying 501(c)(3) tax exempt status and can show sufficient evidence of experience in working with the target population(s). Applicants who are considered for funding under this announcement will be required to submit a copy of the certificate of 501(c)(3) tax exempt status.</i></p> |
| <p>Q: SisterLove Inc. would like to use its recently approved EBI "Healthy Love" as one of the options as part of the acceptable combination package of EBI even though it is not listed in Attachment 15 as an EBI eligible for funding. We have documentation that it is to be listed in the CDC's 2010 Compendium of Evidence-based HIV Prevention Interventions (EBIs) for researchers, policy decision makers, and prevention providers. It is no longer a home grown intervention and we would like to use it under the EBI category if possible.</p> | <p><i>A: Yes. "Healthy Love" will be considered an Effective Behavioral Intervention (EBI) under this funding announcement.</i></p> |
| <p>Q: Will the RESPECT Intervention NOT be considered for funding as an Effective Behavioral Intervention (EBI) since it is not listed on Attachment 21?</p> | <p><i>A: Applicants are required to propose implementing at least one EBI (and as many as two) from Attachment 21. Although the RESPECT intervention is not listed in Attachment 21, applicants may propose to implement it as part of CTR if they wish to propose the CTR complementary option. The RESPECT intervention was excluded from Attachment 21 for numerous reasons, including the fact that the Respect EBI is the foundation of HIV pre- and post-test prevention counseling, and also because it dovetails so nicely with HIV rapid testing.</i></p> |



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| <p>Q: Would the Social Network Recruitment Strategy be considered an EBI (it has core elements) or just a recruitment tool for CTR?</p> | <p>A: Technically, the Social Networks Recruitment Strategy is not an EBI because it is not packaged as a formal intervention with training and curriculum materials provided through the CDC Diffusion of Effective Behavioral Interventions (DEBI) project. However, the Department of Community Health recognizes the tremendous value of this highly-effective, proven recruitment strategy. Therefore, within the instructions for each of the project narrative sections D through J, there is discussion of the value of utilizing this strategy for recruitment of clients. Applicants are encouraged to consider utilizing the Social Networks Recruitment Strategy as part of their client recruitment plans wherever feasible and appropriate.</p> |
| <p>Q: Our agency would like to use our local health department for HIV testing and referrals, that does require a MOA with them?</p> | <p>A: Yes, that will require a MOA.</p> |
| <p>Q: On Attachment 5 -Appendix A: Proof of Eligibility- Section A3 -It states a complete copy of the applicant's organization's most recent available audit conducted by an independent auditor. We have an audit done every year by an independent CPA Firm. Our fiscal year runs July 1 thru June 30th.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Do we just send in our most recent available audit?</i> • <i>Are we also required to submit a Statement of Financial Position and Statement of Activities?</i> | <p>A: Attachment 5 states this grant application requires a copy of the applicant's organization's most recent available audit conducted by an independent auditor. If the applicant <u>does not</u> have an audit report from an independent CPA for the most recent completed fiscal year, you must also submit the following financial statements for the most recent completed fiscal year:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Statement of Financial Position (Balance Sheet) • Statement of Activities (Income and Expenses). Please provide actual as well as budgeted amounts for each budget category. • Should a current audit become available during the term of the grant DCH reserves the right to request a copy of the new audit prior to the grant completion. |



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Q: Can you provide specific examples for the difference between cost sharing and supplanted funding or provide clarity between these two abovementioned statements?

A: We define cost sharing in accordance with OMB circular A-110. That is cost sharing and/or matching refers to that portion of project or program costs not borne by the State. Supplanting is when and applicants seeks to reduce funds for an activity specifically because grant funds are available (or expected to be available) to fund that same activity. When supplanting is not permitted, funds must be used to supplement existing program activities and may not replace funds that have been appropriated or allocated for the same purpose.