FAQs for OPA FOA Part B (CDC)

1. The two primary areas of focus for Part B seem to be: 1) training and technical assistance to support the implementation, use and evaluation of prevalence monitoring; and 2) efforts to support billing and reimbursement activities at service sites. It sounds like grantees will no longer be submitting prevalence monitoring data but will instead be providing training and technical assistance to support state, local, territorial and tribal partners with prevalence monitoring?

Yes, that is correct. Part B cooperative agreement awardees will not be collecting and reporting data.

2. The RFP references one biannual strategic planning regional meeting between STD, family planning and other interested parties, is that correct? And, is there a reason that state and local public health labs are not specifically listed like STD and family planning?

Yes, we expect that the grantees will hold one strategic planning regional meeting every other year. The FOA states that other relevant parties may be included, which may include state and local public health labs.

3. Since the scope of work is expanding for this FOA, will there be expectations for new partners to participate in the Regional Advisory Committees and will states, as part of the CSPS, be required to participate?

Yes, we expect that new partners may be included in the Regional Advisory Committees. CDC has not yet written the new CSPS FOA.

4. Are awards being made by region? Can you apply for more than one Part B region? If you apply for more than one region for Part B, is the cap still \$300,000?

Yes, awards are being made by HHS region. One organization can apply for more than one region for Part B. Each organization must submit exactly one application per region for which it is applying. The average funding award is anticipated to be \$150,000 per application or region, with a cap at \$300,000 per application or region. CDC also encourages applicants to include proposals for relevant demonstration projects, in case additional funding becomes available. Please see page 55 of the FOA for additional information.

5. Are you limited to applying for regions that your organization has historically served in the past?

No, however, the application must document that the appropriate regional connections and presence have been adequately established.

6. What is the expectation for having PTCs involved?

We would expect that STDRHPTTACs will include PTCs in their work where appropriate.

7. Can you include a table in the narrative?

Yes, 12 point font, double spaced.

8. Is this open to other agencies that are not and have not been grantees?

Yes. This FOA is open to any organization that meets the eligibility criteria listed in the FOA.

9. Is the work plan part of the 20 page project narrative and where should it be included?

Please make reference to the work plan in the 20 page project narrative in the placement order indicated. However, the actual work plan would be an attachment and counts toward the 75 page attachment limit, NOT the 20 page main narrative.

10. What happens if we go over the page limits?

If an application exceeds the 20 page limit for the response or the 75 page limit for the attachments, it will be declared ineligible and will not be reviewed.