# Request for Application (RFA) Round Two Indian Health Program Grants Informational Webinar

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# Background

- » Restoration of the IHP grant program
- » Program will focus on improving the health of American Indians by addressing primary care recruitment and retention in Indian health clinics.

#### **Activities to be Funded**

- » IHP will provide grant funds to support the following combined activities:
  - 1. Delivery of prevention oriented primary health care services that are responsive to the health needs of American Indian patients that are provided in a primary care clinic setting, including financial support to improve staffing recruitment and retention of primary care providers including but not limited to compensation considerations, signing or retention incentives, etc.
  - 2. Access to Traditional Indian Health that further supports the health needs of American Indian patients.

# **Funding**

- » A maximum amount of \$150,000 for each applicant is available to fund the awards resulting from round two of this RFA for the first year of funding. Total program funding is anticipated to be limited to the following amounts:
  - 1) \$2,550,000 for the budget period of 06/01/2023 through 06/30/2023
  - 2) \$11,426,000 for the budget period of 07/01/2023 through 06/30/2024
- Funding is subject to state budget appropriation. DHCS reserves the right to initiate amendments as necessary to redistribute funds between fiscal years to meet the needs of the State.

# **Eligibility Requirements**

- » If a clinic corporation is interested in participating in the second round RFA, they must submit an Indian Health Program-Letter of Intent no later than April 14, 2023. A letter of intent to apply must be on record for DHCS to accept an RFA response from the applicant.
- » To request a copy of the Letter of Intent, e-mail <a href="mailto:TribalAffairs@dhcs.ca.gov">TribalAffairs@dhcs.ca.gov</a>
- » Eligibility for this grant program is described in detail in the RFA
- » Applicants must meet all applicable requirements
- » Applicants who are deemed ineligible will not receive funding under this RFA

#### Proposed Award Schedule - Tentative Dates

- » Deadline to Submit RFA Questions April 5, 2023
- » RFA Question Responses Published April 12, 2023
- Letter of Intent Due April 14, 2023
- » Applications & Project Budget Documents Due May 15, 2023
- » Award Notices Released May 24, 2023
- » Appeals Due May 31, 2023
- Tentative grant period begins June 1, 2023
- » Grant period ends June 30, 2024

#### **Allocation Formula**

» Round two applicants will be able to request a maximum of \$150,000 to support primary care recruitment and retention efforts for Fiscal Year 2022-2023

Any remaining funds after the completion of the round two RFA process will be carried over to subsequent fiscal years

» Applicants who applied for round one are not eligible for funds in round two of this RFA

## **Budget Documentation**

»All clinic corporations that submit an application must include a detailed project budget. An example of the budget table is included in Appendix B and instructions are available in Appendix C.

# **Exhibits and Appendices**

- » All Exhibits associated with the RFA are included for informational purposes only. Please do not submit them with application packets.
- » Appendix B must be submitted with application packets. All other appendices are for informational purposes only. Please do not submit them.
- The RFA is posted online for ease of use, however, please note that you will need to contact DHCS at <u>tribalaffairs@dhcs.ca.gov</u> for the required attachments.

## **Application Submission**

- » Please submit all information required in the RFA, including all attachments and appendices.
- » Applicants must return the application package according to the format and instructions stated in the RFA.
- Failure to follow the format instructions or failure to return the required forms and materials may deem an application package as non-responsive and may cause that application to be eliminated from further consideration.

#### **Application Submission Continued**

Please use a staple, binder clip, or other means to bind your application.

#### Reminders:

- The type font size is to be no less than 12 points;
- The application should be single-spaced unless otherwise instructed in the RFA;
- Write "Original" on the front page of the original application set; and
- Write "Duplicate" on the front page of one additional copy.
- All RFA forms and attachments that require signatures may be signed electronically, unless noted otherwise. Signature stamps and scanned copies are not acceptable. The additional application set may reflect photocopied signatures.

### **Application Due Date**

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- » IHP must receive an original application package and one copy on or before May 15, 2023.
- » The package can be delivered, mailed, or electronically submitted.

#### Where to Submit Applications

#### » U.S. Mail, Hand Delivery or Overnight Express:

Department of Health Care Services

Office of Tribal Affairs

Andrea Zubiate, Acting Chief

1501 Capitol Avenue, Suite 71.4089, MS 8502

PO Box 997413

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#### » Email:

TribalAffairs@dhcs.ca.gov

#### **Questions?**

Any additional questions or comments concerning this RFA may be submitted by April 5, 2023. They can be sent by email to <u>TribalAffairs@dhcs.ca.gov</u> or by mail to the address below:

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# Thank you!

