

FY24 Notice of Funding (NOFO) Questions and Answers

1. Please clarify on this funding opportunity 2 questions:

- a. Is there a cap on Facilities & Administrative, indirect expenses?
- b. Is there a maximum allowed for subcontracted dollars?

Answer: There is no cap, but all expenses should be reasonable and necessary for the accomplishment of the research. Intramural researcher at capped at 30% for subcontracts unless they have requested a waiver during the proposal process.

2. When we open the FY24_MHSR_LOI Template.pdf file from our PCs, the form is not active. We are unable to fill in any data when we click on the form items.

Answer: The template is not a fillable template.

3. The LOI template is missing the "Opening Paragraph," required in paragraph 3)iii., of the NOFO instructions.

Answer: This should be the first paragraph of the narrative.

4. Can you clarify the maximum grant amount and the performance period - 2 or 3 years?

Answer: There is no budget limit for each submission. However, a total \$10 million of FY24 Research and Development funding (2-year funding) is anticipated for approximately 10-20 proposals.

5. On page 8 of the NOFO, #2 is Collaborators and Key Personnel, with a limit of 1 page. No mention of biographical sketches can be found in this section of the NOFO.

Answer: We are requesting a one-page description of the research team, their expertise, and roles. Personnel biographical sketches for the PI and Co-PI can be submitted as supporting documents. Most people use the NIH format since this is required for the proposal.

6. Will awardees be expected to obtain access to the MHS data themselves; or will MHS facilitate data access to awardees; or will MHS directly provide the data to awardees?

Answer: Awardees will be expected to obtain access to the MHSR data. The MHSR Program will guide awardees through the process. You must also have systems that meet the NIST standards for housing DoD data (NIST 800-171).