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Subject: Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) No. 72044023RFA00001

Activity Title: Inclusion III-b

The purpose of this amendment is to provide responses to the questions received during the questions-answers period, as specified in Attachment 1 of this Amendment.

All information in the original NOFO remains unchanged and in full effect.

Thank you for your interest in USAID programs.

Sincerely,

/s/

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Attachment 1: Questions-Answers_NOFO No.72044023RFA00001_Inclusion III-b

Attachment 1: Questions & Answers
NOFO No. 72044023RFA00001 – Inclusion III-b

Q1. If an organization applies as a prime on one submission, can that same organization also apply as a sub grantee on another application?

USAID Response: Yes, they can. Refer to Section C.3 Limitations on Submission of the NOFO “Each applicant is limited to one application submission under this NOFO. There is no limitation on being included as a potential sub-recipient across multiple applications. The use of exclusive teaming arrangements is discouraged”.

Q2. Under the Result 1-Objective 2: “Institutional care, home care and psychological support/mental health care provided to about 7,875 persons with disabilities resulted in improved outcomes. [This group of beneficiaries might or might not be the same as the group that benefited from rehabilitation services depending on the beneficiaries’ need]” - Can USAID please confirm if double counting of project participants is allowed across different objectives?

USAID Response: Yes, USAID confirms that such double counting is allowed.

Q3. Under the section “Proportion of fund for direct assistance to persons with disabilities”, funding for training targets and rehabilitation system strengthening is not counted under the proportion of 55%. Is the training program for service providers (health staff attending formal training from six months etc.) eligible to be counted as direct assistance (and counted under the 55% of the total budget on direct assistance to persons with disabilities and their families)?

USAID Response: No, it is not unless the training has a direct linkage to other direct assistance activities in the project sites. In other words, INCLUSION III-b support for service provider training activities can be counted as direct assistance if that training is assisting providers shown to be providing services to specific target beneficiaries. Please note that all funding for training for persons with disabilities and their family members can be counted as “direct assistance.”

Q4. Under Objective 1, are the 23 rehabilitation units targeted included from Inclusion IIIa or meant to be distinct?

USAID Response: No, the targeted 23 units are not necessarily meant to be distinct. USAID will consider any reasonable targeting criteria for unit selection during annual work plan approval.

Q5. The NOFO mentions that a theory of change will be agreed upon during the start-up workshop - Do applicants need to submit a Theory of Change as part of the technical application?

USAID Response: No, the Applicant does not need to submit a Theory of Change as part of the technical application.

Q6. Do all key personnel listed in the NOFO need to be costed at 100% Level of Effort (LOE) across the life of the project?

USAID Response: No. As instructed in the NOFO, page 21, Management Plan, “The management plan should include a Recipient staffing plan (both full-time and part-time) with staff responsibilities including identifying those responsible for making and managing sub-awards, financial management, MEL, quality assurance, and capacity building. The staffing plan should also identify positions

designated by the Applicant as key personnel.” LOEs of proposed key personnel need only to align with their proposed responsibilities. The implementing partner’s request for key personnel approval with LOEs will be reviewed and approved after the award is made.

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