AMENDMENT 0016

BROAD AGENCY ANNOUNCEMENT (BAA)
Number DHAPP-BAA-15-002

"FY15 – FY16 Department of Defense HIV/AIDS Prevention Program: Military Specific HIV/AIDS Prevention, Care, and Treatment Program for PEPFAR (President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief) Funded Countries"

The purpose of this Amendment 0016 is to incorporate the following:

NHRC/DHAPP is accepting "Concept Papers" for Multi-Country as described below through 25 July 2016.

NOTE: Each narrative is a standalone effort and should not be combined with another narrative and all the program elements (tasks) in each specific narrative must be addressed in that concept paper submission.

E-mail address for submission of Concept Papers: usn.nhrc.dhapp@mail.mil

The full solicitation is available at: http://www.grants.gov/

Eligible Applicants are requested to submit **Concept Papers** following the guidelines and format provided in the DHAPP BAA-15-002, Section IV.

All respondents must demonstrate the active support of the in-country military and the DoD representative in the corresponding U.S. Embassy in the planning and execution of their proposals. The selected Grantee is the Implementing Partner and will be referred to as IP in this document.

Multi-Country: Support for HIV Surveillance and Research Studies.

HVSI Total: $1,895,000

Concept Papers are requested to support DHAPP and its partner militaries in conducting HIV surveillance studies among military in various DoD/PEPFAR countries.
Anticipated period of performance: 24 months per country.

Research topics will include HIV Seroprevalence and Behavioral Epidemiology Risk Surveys (SABERS).

Typical study sizes are 500 – 1,000 participants at multiple sites within the same country. Data collection methods will be electronic surveys using tablets and will be interviewer or self-administered, depending on the military context. Studies may include collection and testing of biological samples including but not limited to HIV, syphilis, gonorrhea, chlamydia, HBV and CD4. The implementing partner will work in collaboration with DHAPP, partner militaries, and in-country program partners. DHAPP will lead research efforts. The successful bidder will provide technical research support for the projects and the following:

- Demonstrate research capability to support the development of protocols, comply with IRB rules and regulations, produce and deliver surveys and training manuals, collect biological samples, create databases, and provide other support, as needed, per project.

- Order and deliver study materials including testing materials and reagents.

- Support training for study data collection, data entry, biological data collection, dissemination and other training needs as necessary.

- Coordinate and support regular email and telephone communication between all stakeholders.

- Prepare a final activity report. Project specific Scopes of Work and budgets will be determined per study. Up to ten studies per year may be supported through this grant.

Multi-Country as follows:

Guyana: $195,000
SABERS to be conducted on approximately 700 military members; electronic survey data will be collected using tablets. Official language of Guyana is English, but many speak Guyanese Creole, so it is possible some materials may need translation for clarity of the survey questions. Biological specimens collected to include HIV rapid test, NAAT for gonorrhea, chlamydia and possibly HBV.

Lesotho: $300,000
SABERS to be conducted on approximately 1000 military members; electronic survey data will be collected using tablets. Official country language is English, but many speak the local language of Sesotho, so some limited translation may be necessary for clarity of survey items. Biological specimens collected to include HIV rapid test, NAAT for gonorrhea, chlamydia and CD4 count.

Niger: $350,000
SABERS to be conducted on approximately 1000 military members; electronic survey data will be collected using tablets. Niger is a French-speaking country so all materials will need to be translated including the survey, protocol, and final report. Biological specimens collected to include HIV rapid test, NAAT for gonorrhea, chlamydia and possibly HBV.

Western Africa (TBD): $350,000
SABERS to be conducted on approximately 1000 military members; electronic survey data will be collected using tablets. This would be a French-speaking country so all materials will need to be translated. Biological specimens collected to include HIV rapid test, NAAT for gonorrhea, chlamydia and possibly HBV.

Central Africa (TBD): $350,000
SABERS to be conducted on approximately 1000 military members; electronic survey data will be collected using tablets. This may be a non-English country so all materials may need to be translated. Biological specimens collected to include HIV rapid test, NAAT for gonorrhea, chlamydia and possibly HBV.

Southern Africa (TBD): $350,000
SABERS to be conducted on approximately 1000 military members; electronic survey data will be collected using tablets. Biological specimens collected to include HIV rapid test, NAAT for gonorrhea, chlamydia and possibly HBV.

WORK PLANS

Awardee must submit annual, programmatic and financial, work plans to DHAPP Program Manager and DHAPP HQ (Budget breakdown per activity and for program management is required). Work plans include activities implementation timeline, including the M&E ones. Funding amount in year 1 is related to start-up costs need to initially build the program. All materials and equipment purchased for this grant will be turned over to the SAF at the completion of the period of performance.

REPORTING

- Quarterly Fiscal Reports: Grantee must submit quarterly programmatic and financial reports to DHAPP in order to monitor expenditures according to the program area(s)

[HVAB; HVOP; etc]. The report template will be provided by DHAPP. Submit 30 calendar days after each reporting period (3/31, 6/30, 9/30, and 12/31).

- Interim Progress: Indicator Report: This report shall summarize progress in relation to the approved Work Plan as well as monitor grant deliverables. The Grantee shall submit quarterly indicator reports in accordance with the format provided by the Program Office within 45 calendar days following the end of the reporting period: 12/31, 3/31, 6/30 and 9/30. The Recipient shall provide reports in accordance with the template provided by NHRC.
- Reports will follow DHAPP Headquarters and Country Team Templates
- The IP will be expected to submit strategic information reports on quarterly basis for all activities that are being conducted under this agreement.