

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQS)

1. How can I replay the NOSLO NOFO TA webinar if I missed the session?

- a. For an audio recording of the NOSLO NOFO TA webinar, dial (866) 430-4724 and use passcode 20420. For a recording of the webinar, follow this link:
<https://hrsa.connectsolutions.com/poyfxttd3co78/>

2. Are there any corrections to the NOFOs?

- a. References to “Health Care Payment and Financing” and “health care payment and financing officials” on pages 14 and 25 of the HRSA-20-084 NOFO should instead refer to “Public Health Capacity” and “public health officials and organizations.”
- b. The phone number and website URL for the recorded TA webinar are inaccurate. Please see Question 1 for the correct information.

3. Is my organization eligible to apply?

- a. Eligible applicants include all domestic public or private, non-profit or for-profit entities, including faith-based and community-based organizations, tribes, and tribal organizations.

4. Does my organization have a good chance of being funded even though we only focus on X?

- a. All eligible applicants may apply, and we encourage people to partner with organizations that serve the same target audience, but in different ways.
- b. Pages 22-27 in the Notice of Funding Opportunity (the “Instructions” on Grants.gov) detail the review criteria. It is important to note that the “Core Activities” section of the Notice of Funding Opportunity (page 1), indicates that the award recipient will be focusing on three or four cross-agency priority initiatives each year. It’s difficult to predict what those priority initiatives will be, since they are influenced by emerging issues and the priorities of the President, the Secretary of Health and Human Services, and HRSA leadership. It is likely that they will not be limited to X, although they may intersect with X (for example, the [Secretary’s current priorities](#) are the opioid crisis, value-based care, health insurance reform, and drug pricing).

5. How do the new NOFOs differ from the previous NOFO?

- a. Previously, the NOSLO Program used one NOFO to award funding to four award recipients. In this round of funding, there are three separate NOFOs, one for each NOSLO Program track: Public Health Capacity (HRSA-20-084), Health Legislation and Governance (HRSA-20-092), and Health Care Payment and Financing (HRSA-20-093). There will be one award recipient per NOFO, for a total of three NOSLO Program award recipients.

6. I am looking for funding to support a new business or to return to school.

- a. Eligible applicants include all domestic public or private, non-profit or for-profit entities, including faith-based and community-based organizations, tribes, and tribal organizations. However, the NOSLO cooperative agreement is designed to support national organizations that can represent state and local officials. Please see pages 1 and 2 of the Notice of Funding Opportunity (click Package -> Preview -> Download Instructions on the Grants.Gov grant opportunity page) for more information on the cooperative agreement's purpose and core activities.

7. Is the NOFO focused more on the individual and family levels rather than the community and organizational levels? Is the focus for the health care safety net on direct health care services more than prevention?

- a. Community- and organization-level activities are closer to the heart of NOSLO than individual- and family-level activities. Prevention is an important part of the health care safety net. It's difficult to know for sure what the emphasis will be, however, since, as indicated in the first few pages of the NOFO, HRSA will identify three or four cross-agency priority areas each year. Right now those are things like Ending the HIV Epidemic and combatting the opioid crisis, which contain elements of prevention and direct services, but it's difficult to know what the priorities will be when the program starts.

8. Do I understand correctly from the attached synopsis that HRSA intends to make one award to an organization that represents state and local public health officials so that they can they make sub-grant awards to fulfill the RFP capacity building goals?

HRSA will be making one award for each NOSLO track, but sub-grant awards are not required. Applicants are encouraged to propose whatever methodology they believe will enable them to effectively address the relevant track's core activities.

9. Can you confirm if HRSA would allow X and Y to each submit applications to the same track, with each of us writing in the other in those applications (i.e. X submits an application with Y written-in and vice versa)?

- a. Each organization can only submit one application per track, but an organization can be written into multiple applications, especially since the NOFO talks about the importance of collaborating with other organizations that serve the same target audience.

10. Is there a suggested format for the application, specifically font size, font type, and margins?

- a. The [SF-424 Application Guide](#) addresses formatting questions (see page 35). Applicants should use 12-point font that is easily readable (e.g., Times Roman, Arial, Courier, CG Times), and margins must be at least one inch at the top, bottom, left, and right of the paper.

11. What key dates should I keep in mind?

- a. Applications are due in Grants.gov by April 10, 2020 (by 11:59 p.m. ET). The anticipated award date is August 1, 2020; and the project start date is September 1, 2020.