

Notice of Funding Opportunity
Application due 07/13/2026

HRSA

Health Resources & Services Administration

HIV/AIDS Bureau

Supporting Interventions with Technical Assistance

HRSA-26-101



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Before You Begin

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All activities proposed in your application and budget narrative must align with applicable law, including but not limited to statutes, executive orders, federal regulations and applicable judicial holdings. Accordingly, discretionary awards shall not be used to fund, promote, encourage, subsidize, or facilitate racial preferences or other forms of racial discrimination by the recipient, including activities where race or intentional proxies for race will be used as a selection criterion for employment or program participation; denial by the recipient of the sex binary in humans, or the belief that sex is a chosen or mutable characteristic; illegal immigration; or any other initiatives that compromise public safety. If an application does not align, the application will not receive funding to the extent permitted by law and applicable court orders.

Step 1: Review the Opportunity

Basic information

Summary

The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) will fund one organization to provide and evaluate tailored technical assistance (TA) to Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program (RWHAP) recipients. The purpose of this initiative is to support the uptake of interventions by providing tailored, needs-based TA to RWHAP recipients and providers by addressing barriers to intervention start-up. By providing tailored TA and small one-time funding to cover start-up costs, RWHAP recipients and providers will adopt and integrate new interventions in their settings to improve HIV health outcomes and reduce transmission of HIV. This funding opportunity is supported by the HRSA RWHAP Part F: Special Projects of National Significance (SPNS) Program.

Have questions? Go to [Contacts and Support](#).

Key facts

Opportunity name: Supporting Interventions with Technical Assistance

Opportunity number: HRSA-26-101

Announcement version: initial

Federal assistance listing: 93.928

Key dates

NOFO issue date: 6/11/2026

Application deadline: 07/13/2026

Expected award date is by: 09/01/2026

Expected start date: 09/01/2026

See [other submissions](#) for other time frames that may apply to this NOFO.

Funding details

Application Types: New

Expected total available funding in FY: 2026: \$1,500,000

Expected number and type of awards: 1 CA (Cooperative Agreement)

Funding range per award: amount varies.

You can request up to \$1,500,000 (year 1) and up to \$2,000,000 each year (years 2-3).

We plan to fund awards in three (3) 12-month budget periods for a total 3- year period of performance from 09/01/2026 to 08/31/2029.

Eligibility

You can apply if you are eligible for funding under [Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Parts A – F of Title XXVI of the Public Health Service \(PHS\) Act](#). These entities include:

Types of eligible organizations

These types of *domestic organizations may apply:

State governments

County governments

City or township governments

Special district governments

Independent school districts

Public and State controlled institutions of higher education

Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)

Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments)

Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education

Nonprofits without 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education

Private institutions of higher education

Faith-based organizations

Individuals are not eligible applicants under this NOFO.

Completeness and responsiveness criteria

We will review your application to make sure it meets these basic requirements to move forward in the competition.

We will not consider an application that:

- Is from an organization that does not meet all [eligibility criteria](#).
- Requests funding above the award ceiling shown in the [funding range](#).
- Is submitted after the [deadline](#).

Application limits

You may not submit more than one application. If you submit more than one application, we will only accept the last on-time submission.

Cost sharing

This program has no cost-sharing requirement. If you choose to share in the costs of the project, we will not consider it during merit review. Recipients agree that once committed, cost sharing amounts are enforceable and subject to reporting and auditing requirements under 2 CFR 200.

Post-award requirements

Before you apply, make sure you understand the requirements that come with an award.

See [Step 6: Learn What Happens After Award](#) for information on regulations that apply, reporting, and more.

Program description

Purpose

The purpose of this initiative, “Supporting Interventions with Technical Assistance,” is to support the uptake of interventions by providing tailored, needs-based TA to RWHAP recipients and providers by addressing barriers to intervention start-up, such as not knowing how to adapt interventions to fit their organizational structure or client populations. By providing tailored TA and small one-time funding to cover start-up costs, RWHAP recipients and providers will be able to address these barriers and strengthen their ability to integrate and sustain innovative HIV care models.

The recipient will identify a minimum of 20 RWHAP recipient and provider sites divided into two (2) phases) to receive short-term, tailored TA to jump start efforts to adapt or replicate existing interventions. The recipient will work with the sites to understand their specific needs and organizational structure and use this information to develop tailored resources and deliver TA to adapt or replicate selected emerging, evidence-informed, and evidence-based interventions and other HIV care innovations. In addition to providing tailored TA, the recipient will develop and implement a structured application and review process to award the one-time funding to support start-up costs. The recipient will also monitor the use of funds and provide ongoing guidance to ensure alignment with program goals.

The recipient will deliver TA to the sites at one of the three following levels of support, based on site needs and organizational capacity:

- **Level 1 – Minimal Support**

This level is designed to provide broad, low-intensity support, including access to existing implementation toolkits, guidance documents, peer learning opportunities from sites that have implemented the intervention, and startup cost planning. This level supports independent implementation, but support is available as challenges arise.

- **Level 2 – Moderate Support**

This level is designed to provide moderate, structured assistance for organizations requiring focused support in specific areas, including topic-specific coaching sessions, workflow reviews, monitoring guidance, data-to-action support, and startup cost planning. Support will align with identified gaps.

- **Level 3 – Intensive Support**

This level is designed to provide intense support to organizations experiencing or anticipating significant implementation challenges or capacity limitations, including comprehensive action planning, ongoing performance monitoring, workforce coaching, systems integration planning, examining the main factors contributing to implementation issues, and startup cost planning. Engagement is frequent and proactive.

As a major focus of this initiative, the recipient will work with the sites to identify resources to sustain the interventions beyond this short-term funding period as well as strategies to integrate the interventions into routine practice.

Additionally, the recipient will create an evaluation plan to evaluate the effectiveness of the tailored TA provided (including implementation processes and service outcomes) to assess the level of support required for RWHAP recipients to adapt or replicate the interventions. The evaluation will also include a comprehensive startup cost analysis that clearly identifies, categorizes, and documents all startup cost components. This will inform other RWHAP recipients and providers as well as planning councils as they plan and implement interventions with an emphasis on sustainability. The evaluation will document the delivery of tailored TA, assess barriers and facilitators to intervention implementation, and capture lessons learned across sites. Findings from the first phase should inform the design, intensity, and cost considerations of tailored TA for the second phase.

Finally, the recipient will develop and implement a communications and dissemination plan to ensure that the tools and resources from this initiative are shared with the RWHAP community and other providers through social media, federally supported websites (i.e., HRSA), and various federally approved regional and national outlets.

The objectives of this initiative are to:

- Provide technical assistance and tools to expand the reach of effective HIV care interventions to improve outcomes for RWHAP clients, especially for individuals who are undiagnosed or out of care.
- Evaluate the effectiveness of tailored TA in facilitating the uptake of interventions, including a cost analysis of this approach.
- Develop and disseminate user-friendly, multimedia technical assistance resources, toolkits, and other public-facing materials, when relevant and necessary, to facilitate intervention implementation.

Funding Opportunity Goals

- Reduce the new HIV infections in the U.S. by focusing on HIV care and treatment strategies so that people with HIV reach viral suppression and therefore do not sexually transmit HIV.
- Reach people with HIV who are out of care by leveraging partnerships, focusing interventions, and engaging communities.

Background

The Ryan White HI AIDS Program

The Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program (RWHAP) has five statutorily defined Parts that provide grants to states, cities, counties, local clinics, and community-based organizations. The grants fund medical care, medication, and essential support services, to meet the needs of people with HIV and family members affected by HIV. Together these grants provide a comprehensive system of care to ensure low-income people with HIV have access to services for early diagnosis of HIV, linkage to care, medically appropriate treatment, retention in care, and sustained viral suppression (a very low or undetectable amount of HIV in the blood).

For nearly four decades, the RWHAP has funded services to provide HIV primary health care, medication, and essential support services, including mental health care, transportation, case management, nutrition, and housing. These services support clients to enter and remain in care, access medications, and reach viral suppression, reducing transmission and lowering health care costs.

Ending the HI Epidemic

Launched in 2020, the Ending the HIV Epidemic in the U.S. (EHE) initiative further expands federal efforts to reduce HIV transmission. For the RWHAP, the EHE initiative expands the program's ability to meet the needs of clients, specifically focusing on linking people with HIV who are either newly diagnosed, diagnosed but currently not in care, or are diagnosed and in care but not yet virally suppressed, to the essential HIV care, treatment, and support services needed to help them reach viral suppression.

Making America Healthy Again

The Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program helps advance the [Making America Healthy Again \(MAHA\)](#) priorities by:

- **Expanding access to primary care** for people with HIV, particularly those with low incomes, and by strengthening the health workforce.
- **Fighting the chronic disease epidemic** by providing HIV medical care, treatment, and support services to people with HIV.
- **Supporting improved nutrition** by providing patient-centered focused medical nutrition therapy and food services.
- **Supporting disease prevention** through HIV care and treatment services that help people reach viral suppression so they live longer, healthier lives and do not transmit HIV.

Key accomplishments

- **Nearly 602,000 people with HI** in the U.S. received life-saving care, medication, and essential support services in 2024, through the RWHAP, representing over half of all diagnosed with HIV in the U.S. This is an increase of nearly 26,000 clients since 2023.
- **More than 91 percent** of Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program patients receiving HIV medical care were virally suppressed in 2024. This is up from 69.5% of patients virally suppressed in 2010 and significantly higher than the 67.2% virally suppressed nationally among all people with diagnosed HIV.
- **More than 47 percent** of Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program clients are aged 50 years and older, demonstrating the program's success in supporting older clients and its commitment to addressing the unique needs of people aging with HIV.

Program requirements and expectations

To achieve the objectives stated in the purpose section, you are encouraged to propose new or improved approaches through key partnerships and collaborations to address the following:

As the funded recipient, you will be responsible for implementing the activities outlined below, organized into three areas: **Site Support to Adapt or Replicate Interventions (tailored TA), Evaluation, and Communication and Dissemination.**

1. Site Support to Adapt or Replicate Interventions (tailored TA)

You will provide tailored TA to a minimum of 20 sites to receive short-term, tailored TA to adapt or replicate emerging, evidence-informed, and evidence-based interventions using existing materials and provide small one-time funds to support start-up as needed.

Specifically, you will:

- **Develop and implement a continuous TA application process** to identify and select RWHAP recipients interested in receiving support, allowing application to be submitted and reviewed on an ongoing basis throughout the project.
- **Develop, release, and strategically promote** a funding opportunity for sites.
- **Develop and implement a generalized TA plan** to guide sites. Depending on site needs, the TA plan may include but not be limited to:
 - **Level 1 – Minimal Support**
This level is designed to provide broad, low-intensity support, including access to existing implementation toolkits, guidance documents, peer learning opportunities from sites that have implemented the intervention, and startup cost planning. This level supports independent implementation, but support is available as challenges arise.
 - **Level 2 – Moderate Support**
This level is designed to provide moderate, structured assistance for organizations requiring focused support in specific areas, including topic-specific coaching sessions, workflow reviews, monitoring guidance, data-to-action support, and startup cost planning. Support will align with identified gaps.
 - **Level 3 – Intensive Support**
This level is designed to provide intense support to organizations experiencing or anticipating significant implementation challenges or capacity limitations, including comprehensive action planning, ongoing performance monitoring, workforce coaching, systems integration planning, examining the main factors contributing to implementation issues, and startup cost planning. Engagement is frequent and proactive.
- **Provide fiscal oversight and management** of subawards to a minimum of 20 sites during the performance period. You will also monitor site compliance with federal regulations.
- **Collaborate with each site** to select an intervention that meets their specific needs.
- **Provide tailored TA and resources** to address site-specific needs, barriers, and contexts, offering practical guidance and best practices to replicate or adapt the intervention.
- **Collaborate with HAB and HAB-designated partners** to develop a workplan to support development of a TA plan to guide implementation sites.
- **Assist sites with developing sustainability plans** by helping sites identify funding sources (e.g., RWHAP funds, program income, or other sources) after the funding period

ends. You will also work with the sites to identify risks to sustainability and mitigation strategies to address the risks if they occur.

- **Monitor site progress** through check-ins, which should also serve as an opportunity to systematically collect and document detailed information on strategies used to adapt or replicate interventions, implementation barriers and facilitators, and startup costs.
- **Complete handoff (ending TA)** in alignment with program timelines, terminating site-level TA.

2. Evaluation

You will design and conduct an evaluation to assess the level and type of support required for RWHAP recipients to adapt or replicate interventions. Outcomes should include implementation processes and service outcomes (i.e., no client-level clinical outcomes). The evaluation should also include a cost analysis examining startup costs to implement interventions, especially with tailored TA.

Specifically, you will:

- **Develop and implement a mixed-methods evaluation** (qualitative and quantitative) to assess the effectiveness of tailored TA at each site.
- **Systematically track and measure** TA delivery, barriers, facilitators, associated costs, and the impact of TA on intervention uptake and integration.
- **Provide training and ongoing support** to implementation sites to ensure high-quality data collection and monitoring during the provision of TA.
- **Produce two evaluation reports** (one interim report at the end of phase 1 and one final report at the end of the initiative).
- **Present findings** to HRSA HAB twice a year.

3. Communication and Dissemination

- You will develop and implement a communications and dissemination plan to share implementation tools and products, findings, and lessons learned that will be released after each phase and at key project milestones, ensuring materials released have utility and relevance beyond the scope of this project.

Specifically, you will:

- **Develop a dissemination work plan and timeline.** The timeline will include developing and disseminating materials throughout the period of performance and not just at the end of the project. The goal is to promote real-time learning and dissemination. The timeline should incorporate the time needed for federal and subject matter expert review. This should include an outline of methods and processes that will be used to create, review, promote, and distribute materials and strategies that advance replication/adaptation of successful interventions from this project.
- **Develop and disseminate user-friendly, multimedia** technical assistance resources, toolkits, and other public-facing materials for adapted interventions.
- **Collaborate with HRSA HAB and HAB-designated partners to develop and maintain a web-based TA page** through the HIV Resource Hub. This webpage will

serve as the request portal for the tailored TA, facilitate recipient engagement with the project, and offer access to relevant materials. In addition to the TA webpage, you will create a secure, password-protected shared location (*e.g.*, SharePoint) to host the project's working files for use by implementation sites during the project.

- **Present and exhibit** at one National Ryan White Conference on HIV Care and Treatment (NRWC).

Statutory authority

[42 U.S.C. § 300ff-101](#) (section 2691 of the Public Health Service (PHS) Act)

Award information

Cooperative agreement terms

Our responsibilities

Aside from monitoring and technical assistance, we also get involved in these ways:

- Assisting with the coordination of efforts to plan, develop, and implement the various phases of the project.
- Collaborating, reviewing, and providing feedback on the activities, documentation, procedures, measures, and tools established and implemented for accomplishing the goals of the cooperative agreement throughout the duration of the project.
- Participating in the planning and development of project activities, including in-person or virtual meetings, during the period of performance.
- Facilitating the availability and expertise of other appropriate offices within HRSA, as well as other relevant federal agencies in the planning, development, and implementation of the project.
- Participate in the dissemination of project activities, products, findings, best practices, evaluation data, and other information developed as part of this project for the broader health care community. This includes dissemination of results (*e.g.*, formal or informal presentations to internal and external partners, presentations at national or regional conferences).

Your responsibilities

You must follow all relevant laws and policies. Your other responsibilities will include:

- Providing ongoing, timely communication and collaboration with the HRSA project officer, to include reviewing your activities, work plans, procedures, budget items, contracts, interagency agreements information, and products.
- Providing the HRSA project officer with adequate time to review, provide input, and clear project products, as needed. This includes information and materials to support the activities conducted through the cooperative agreement, including the review of drafts and final products prior to submission for publication or public circulation.
- Obtaining appropriate public-use intellectual property rights in all existing training and other materials, which reserves for the government a royalty-free, non-exclusive, and irrevocable right to reproduce, publish, or otherwise use the work for Federal purposes, and to authorize others to do so.
- Independently developing and administering the subaward application/selection process. The recipient will have the discretion on awarding, administering, and evaluating the

subawards. HRSA will not direct or require that the recipient use specific forms or collect specific information under this cooperative agreement.

- Providing monitoring and oversight of subrecipients in accordance with 2 CFR 200.
- Providing HRSA with a complete, updated, and accessible copy of all federally supported materials, including online content, prepared under this cooperative agreement in an electronic zip file format on an annual basis for the duration of the period of performance.
- Assisting HRSA with information dissemination to HAB stakeholders, upon request.
- Responding timely to requests made by HRSA for information related to project activities.

Funding policies and limitations

Changes in HHS regulations

As of October 1, 2025, HHS has adopted [2 CFR Part 200](#), with some modifications included in 2 CFR Part 300. These regulations replace those in 45 CFR Part 75.

Policies

- To make an award, funding must be available and allocated for this program and purpose, at which point we will move forward with the review and award process.
- Have clear policies and good financial practices to avoid spending HRSA funds on unallowable activities. Like other award rules, we may audit your policies, procedures, and controls.
- Support beyond the first budget year will depend on:
 - Appropriation of funds.
 - Your satisfactory progress in meeting the project’s objectives.
 - A decision that continued funding is in the government’s best interest.
- If we receive more funding for this program, we may:
 - Fund more applicants from the rank order list.
 - Extend the period of performance.
 - Award supplemental funding.

General limitations

- For guidance on some types of costs we do not allow or restrict, see
 - [2 CFR Part 200 Subpart E](#) - General Provisions for Selected Items of Cost.
 - Allowable and Unallowable Costs and Activities in the [HHS Grants Policy Statement](#).
 - All costs must be [reasonable](#), necessary, [allocable](#) to the award, and adequately documented ([2 CFR 200.403](#)).
 - You cannot earn profit from the federal award. See [2 CFR § 200.400\(g\)](#).

Current appropriations law includes a salary limit of \$228,000 as of January 2026 that applies to this program. You may pay salaries at a higher rate if the rate beyond the salary rate limit (Executive Level II) is paid with non-HHS funds. For help calculating salaries under this limit, read more at “salary rate limitation” in the Application Guide.

Program-specific statutory or regulatory limitations

You cannot use funds under this notice for the following:

- Charges that are billable to third party payers (e.g., private health insurance, prepaid health plans, Medicaid, Medicare);
- To directly provide medical or support services (e.g., HIV care, counseling and testing) that supplant existing services;
- Cash payments to intended recipients of RWHAP services;
- Purchase, construction, or major alterations or renovations on any building or other facility (see [2 CFR 200](#) – subpart A Definitions). Purchase or improvement to land;
- Fundraising expenses or lobbying activities and expenses;
- Development of materials designed to directly promote or encourage intravenous drug use or sexual activity, whether homosexual or heterosexual.
- PrEP or nPEP medications or the related medical services. As outlined in the updated [November 16, 2021 RWHAP and PrEP program letter \[PDF\]](#).
- International travel.

See [Manage Your Grant](#) for other information on costs and financial management.

Indirect costs

Indirect costs are costs you charge across more than one project that cannot be easily separated by project. For example, this could include utilities for a building that supports multiple projects.

To incur indirect costs, you can select one of two methods:

Method 1 – Approved rate. You currently have an indirect cost rate approved by your cognizant federal agency at the time of award.

Method 2 – *De minimis* rate. Per [2 CFR § 200.414\(f\)](#), if you do not have a current negotiated indirect cost rate, you may elect to charge a *de minimis* rate. If you choose this method, costs included in the indirect cost pool must not be charged as direct costs.

This rate is up to 15% of modified total direct costs (MTDC). See [2 CFR § 200.1](#) for the definition of MTDC. You can use this rate indefinitely for all your federal awards or until you choose to receive a negotiated rate.

Consider your indirect costs when developing your [budget](#).

Program income

Program income is money earned as a result of your award-supported project activities. You must use any program income you generate from awarded funds for approved project-related activities. Find more about program income at [2 CFR 200.307](#).

- If we receive more funding for this program, we may:
 - Fund more applicants from the rank order list.
 - Extend the period of performance.
 - Award supplemental funding.

Step 2: Get Ready to Apply

Get registered

SAM.gov

You must have an active account with SAM.gov to apply. SAM.gov registration can take several weeks. Begin that process today.

To register:

- Go to [SAM.gov Entity Registration](#) and select Get Started. From the same page, you can also select the Entity Registration Checklist for the information you will need to register.
- You must agree to the [financial assistance general certifications and representations](#) specifically. Those for contracts are different.

When you register, you will also receive your required Unique Entity Identifier (UEI).

Once you register:

- You will have to maintain your registration throughout the life of any award.
- If your organization has multiple UEIs, use the one associated with your physical location.

Grants.gov

You must also have an active account with [Grants.gov](#). You can see step-by-step instructions at the Grants.gov [Quick Start Guide for Applicants](#) and [How to Apply for Grants](#).

Find the application package

The application package has all the forms you need to apply. You can find it online. Go to [Grants Search at Grants.gov](#) and search for opportunity number HRSA-26-101.

After you select the opportunity, we recommend that you click the Subscribe button to get updates.

Application writing help

Visit [HHS Tips for Preparing Grant Proposals](#).

Visit [HRSA's How to Prepare Your Application](#) page for more guidance.

See [Apply for a Grant](#) for other help and resources.

FAQs will be posted on our TA webpage after the webinar.

Join the webinar

For more information about this opportunity, join the webinar. More information on the HRSA-26-101 webinar will be posted at a later date to the [documents tab](#) in Grants.gov.

We recommend that you “Subscribe” to the NOFO on Grants.gov to receive updates when we post documents.

We will record the webinar.

Have questions? Go to [Contacts and Support](#).

Step 3: Build Your Application

Application checklist

There are two types of forms in Grants.gov.

- Some forms allow you to upload components of your application to the form. These include components like your project narrative, budget and budget narrative, and attachments, as applicable.
- Other forms are more typical, fill-in-the-blank forms.

Make sure that you have everything you need to apply.

Narratives

Component	Grants.gov form	Included in page limit*?
<input type="checkbox"/> Project narrative Use the Project Narrative Attachment form.	Project Narrative Attachment form.	Yes
<input type="checkbox"/> Budget narrative Use the Budget Narrative Attachment form.	Budget Narrative Attachment form.	Yes

Attachments

Insert each in the Attachments Form in this order.

Component	Included in page limit*?
<input type="checkbox"/> 1. Work plan	Yes
<input type="checkbox"/> 2. Staffing plan and job descriptions	Yes
<input type="checkbox"/> 3. Biographical sketches	No
<input type="checkbox"/> 4. Agreements with other entities	Yes
<input type="checkbox"/> 5. Project organizational chart	Yes
<input type="checkbox"/> 6. Other relevant document	Yes
<input type="checkbox"/> 7. Other relevant document	Yes
<input type="checkbox"/> 8. Other relevant document	Yes
<input type="checkbox"/> 9. Other relevant document	Yes
<input type="checkbox"/> 10. Other relevant document	Yes
<input type="checkbox"/> 11. Other relevant document	Yes
<input type="checkbox"/> 12. Other relevant document	Yes
<input type="checkbox"/> 13. Other relevant document	Yes
<input type="checkbox"/> 14. Other relevant document	Yes
<input type="checkbox"/> 15. Other relevant document	Yes

Other required forms

Upload using each required form in Grants.gov.

Forms	Submission requirement
Application for Federal Assistance (SF-424)	With application.
Project Abstract Summary Form	With application.
Grants.gov Lobbying Form	With application.
Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (SF-LLL), optional	With application.
Project/Performance Site Location(s)	With application.
Budget Information for Non-Construction Programs (SF 424A)	With application.
Key Contacts	With application.

*Only what you attach in these forms counts toward the page limit. The forms themselves do not count.

Application contents and format

This section includes guidance on each component found in the application checklist.

Application page limit: 60 pages

Submit your information in English and express whole number budget figures using U.S. dollars.

Required format

Required format for project summary, project narrative, budget narrative, and attachments.

Font: A readable font like Arial, Courier, CG Times, or Times New Roman

File format: We only accept the following document formats:

- .PDF - Adobe Portable Document Format
- .DOC/.DOCX - Microsoft Word
- .RTF - Rich Text Format or .TXT - Text
- .WPD - Word Perfect Document
- .XLS/.XLSX - Microsoft Excel
- .VSD - Microsoft Visio

Size: 12-point font

Footnotes, charts, graphics, and budget tables may be 10-point or higher.

Ink color: Black

Spacing: Single-spaced, including all text and tables

Alignment: Left

Headings: Bold all headings and align left.

Size: 8.5 x 11 (Make sure the print area is set and allows printing to 8.5 x 11.)

Margins: 1-inch on all sides

Footer: On each page as the footer, include your organization's name and page numbers. If a competing continuation or competing supplement, also include your 10-digit award number.

Page numbering:

- Do not number the standard OMB-approved forms.
- Number each attachment page sequentially (that is, 1, 2, 3).
- Reset the numbering for each attachment.
- Treat each attachment as a separate section.

File names: You can find guidance for naming your files in the [Application Guide](#).

Project narrative

Introduction

See merit review criterion 1: [Need](#)

- Briefly describe the purpose of your project and explain how it aligns with the goals and objectives in the NOFO.
- Provide a clear and succinct description of your ability to successfully meet and carry out program requirements and expectations.
- Describe your experience with the RWHAP.
- Describe the barriers, gaps, and challenges that recipients and potential implementation sites face in adapting, implementing, and sustaining interventions.
- Discuss how this project will address the identified needs and contribute to improving outcomes under the interventions (i.e., why tailored TA and one-time funding is needed).
- Describe how your project will support long-term solutions to HIV, including but not limited to strategies to optimize the delivery, uptake and adoption of novel long-acting therapeutic options, interventions to achieve viral suppression, and practices that integrate and sustain evidence-based HIV prevention and care in a variety of settings.
- Briefly summarize the following areas of your proposal:
 - TA services and associated products that you will provide to the sites.
 - Your plan to evaluate the effectiveness of the TA provided, including a cost analysis plan.
 - Your plan for dissemination and communication activities.
- When appropriate, cite literature and publications.

Need

See merit review criterion 1: [Need](#)

- Describe the need to conduct a project to provide technical assistance to support recipients to adapt or replicate interventions to improve HIV health outcomes.
- Describe challenges associated with providing TA for intervention implementation start-up across different types of settings.

Approach

See merit review criteria 2: [Response](#) and 4: [Impact](#)

Site support

- Describe how you will develop and implement an application process for the three tiers of TA that will be conducted on a continuous, rolling basis, outlining eligibility criteria, application requirements, review and selection procedures, and how the one-time funds will be integrated and awarded.
- Describe how you will develop and implement a process to identify, select, and award subrecipients.
- Describe how you will assess sites' organizational capacity, level of TA needed, and address gaps in capacity through TA.
- Explain your plan to assess the TA and training needs of sites, triage the level of TA needed, and deliver TA and trainings that are tailored to the selected intervention and site.
- Describe how you will work with each site to select an appropriate intervention. At a minimum, your description should address:
 - **Sources for interventions.** Explain how you will prioritize interventions drawn from HRSA HAB-supported resources, including the RWHAP or SPNS-funded interventions, and under what circumstances, if any, sites may propose other evidence-informed or emerging interventions.
 - **Selection criteria and decision process.** Describe the criteria and structured process you will use with sites to select interventions, such as alignment with the site's needs, fit with existing service models and workflows, feasibility within available resources, and consistency with the site's strategic priorities.
 - **Staffing and infrastructure readiness.** Explain how you will assess each site's staffing mix, leadership support, data capacity, and other infrastructure to determine readiness to adapt or replicate the selected intervention, and how you will use this assessment to guide TA content, sequencing, and intensity.
 - **Documentation of decisions.** Describe how you will document intervention selection decisions, including rationale, readiness assessments, and any adaptations planned at the site, to inform ongoing TA and the evaluation. Describe your process for identifying risks early and how you will implement corrective actions.
- Tell us how you will conduct all fiscal, administrative, and programmatic monitoring to ensure sites remain on track with implementation activities and compliant with federal regulations and program expectations.
- Describe how you will use findings and lessons learned from phase 1 to inform the design and delivery of TA for phase 2, and how you will review and respond to ongoing evaluation results to refine, adapt, or modify TA. Describe how you will assist sites with developing sustainability plans, including budget projections for continued program integration and ongoing activities after the funding period ends.

Communications and dissemination

- Describe your plan to create and disseminate user-friendly, accessible, and engaging multimedia technical assistance resources, toolkits, and other public-facing materials.
- Describe how your plan will ensure that materials reflect consideration of diverse audiences (e.g., clinicians, administrators, community partners) and varied learning preferences.
- Tell us what you will do to disseminate products and implementation materials according to your plan, making sure materials and reports are disseminated in real-time, throughout the project lifecycle.
- Describe how you will collaborate with HRSA to develop and maintain project-specific webpages.
- Describe your understanding of HRSA communication requirements and processes.
- Explain steps you will take to create user-friendly tools, multimedia dissemination materials that have utility and relevance beyond this project.
- Describe how the proposed strategies will support broader national dissemination and uptake of successful practices beyond the implementation sites, including how products and lessons learned will be shared with relevant audiences and the likely impact on people with HIV and the organizations that serve them.
- Describe how you will exhibit and plan and coordinate a presentation, possibly with the implementation sites, in collaboration with HRSA HAB, at the biennial National Ryan White HIV/AIDS Conference (NRWC).

High-level work plan

See merit review criteria 2: [Response](#)

- Describe how you'll achieve each of the objectives during the period of performance.
- Provide a timeline that includes each activity and identifies who is responsible for each. The timeline should include the provision of tailored TA, evaluation, and dissemination.
- Describe how key stakeholders, including subrecipients and people with HIV, will help plan, design, and carry out these activities.

You will also include a more detailed work plan in [attachment 1](#).

Please note that goals for the work plan are to be written for the entire proposed three-year period of performance, but objectives and action steps are required only for the goals set for year one. At a minimum, first-year objectives should describe key action steps or activities that you will undertake.

Resolving challenges

See merit review criterion 2: [Response](#)

- Describe potential implementation challenges or risks (e.g. staffing, data collection, coordination with subrecipients, site readiness) could affect project success and how you propose to mitigate them.
- Describe how you will monitor progress, including that of subrecipients, to identify implementation issues early and how will TA be adjusted to resolve issues.

Performance management

See merit review criterion 3: Performance reporting and evaluation

Evaluation

- Describe the methodology that you will use to guide your evaluation.
- Describe the framework you will use to assess implementation processes outcomes, services outcomes, and cost analysis. Provide the rationale for the selection and the methodology and analysis plan.
- Discuss your anticipated evaluation questions, data collection methods, and analysis plan to evaluate the effectiveness of tailored TA in the adaptation or replication of interventions, inclusive of as well as barriers, facilitators, and costs (inclusive of labor, training, structural, and other relevant costs associated with intervention startup with tailored TA).
- Describe any other data measures you propose that are relevant to the evaluation of tailored TA. Specify their sources and cite references in the literature to support their validation.
- Describe your plan to analyze all outcome data while ensuring the security, confidentiality, and integrity of data, including processes to protect against cybersecurity threats, breaches, or loss of data.
- Describe your plan to collect and manage data accurately, completely, and on time, consistent with program expectations.
- Describe how you will rapidly assess, document, and share implementation strategies, barriers and facilitators to implementation, and intervention adaptations from implementation of the first phase to facilitate implementation among the second phase.
- Describe how you will rapidly assess, document, and share these items from the second phase and integrate them into public-facing dissemination resources.

See the [reporting](#) section for more information.

Sustainability

See merit review criterion 4: **Impact**

Propose a plan to support the sites in developing a sustainability plan, which should include identifying allowable RWHAP funds, future program income, and other sources to sustain the intervention beyond the TA.

- Discuss how you will support sites in identifying which elements are most critical to continue improving practices and outcomes.
- Discuss how you will assist sites in identifying and leveraging allowable RWHAP funds, program income, and other sources to sustain the intervention.
- Address challenges that you may encounter when assisting sites to develop a sustainability plan. Include how you will resolve these challenges.

Organizational information

See merit review criterion 5: [Resources and capabilities](#)

Briefly describe your mission, structure, and the scope of your current activities. Explain how they will help you carry out the program requirements. You'll include a [project organizational chart](#) in your attachments.

- Discuss how you'll follow the approved project workplan, keep track of all federal funds, and record all costs to avoid issues during the project audit.
- Describe your organizational profile, budget, partners, key processes, and your key staff's experience, skills, and knowledge.
 - Include a staffing plan for proposed project staff and brief job descriptions to include the roles and responsibilities, and qualifications, including who will manage/oversee the various project activities, and include it as Attachment 2. See also Section 4.1. of HRSA's SF-424 Application Guide for additional information. Include short biographical sketches of key project staff as Attachment 3. See also Section 4.1. of HRSA's SF-424 Application Guide for information on the content for the sketches.
- Describe your organization's experience with RWHAP and how people with HIV are meaningfully involved in informing your programs or services.
- Describe your organization's capacity, expertise, and past work with similar projects, to include work in the following areas:
 - Providing HIV-related TA on to HIV care and treatment organizations.
 - Selecting, funding, and monitoring subrecipient awards.
 - Evaluating implementation and process outcomes and costs.
 - Developing and disseminating implementation products.
 - Collaborating with partners, including people with HIV.
 - Managing a federal award.
- Describe any other resources and infrastructure (e.g., trainings, data collection and reporting systems, protocols, tools) you will use in your approach to adapt implementation materials, deliver TA, and evaluate the tailored TA and costs.
- Explain how you will manage communication with any partners and subrecipients.

Budget and budget narrative

See merit review criterion 6: [Support requested](#)

Your **budget** should follow the instructions in budget narrative: detailed instructions section of the Application Guide and the instructions listed in this section. Your budget should show a well-organized plan.

HHS now uses the definitions for [equipment](#) and [supply](#) in 2 CFR 200.1. The new definitions change the threshold for equipment to the lesser of the recipient's capitalization level or \$10,000 and the threshold for supplies to below that amount.

The total project or program costs are all allowable (direct and indirect) costs used for the HRSA award activity or project. This includes costs charged to the award and non-federal funds used to

satisfy a matching or cost-sharing requirement (which may include maintenance of effort, if applicable).

The **budget narrative** supports the information you provide in Standard Form 424-A. It includes an itemized breakdown and a clear justification of the costs you request. The merit review committee reviews both.

As you develop your budget, consider:

- If the costs are reasonable, allowable and allocable, and consistent with your project's purpose and activities.
- The restrictions on spending funds. See [funding policies and limitations](#).
- Including travel to the biennial National Ryan White Conference on HIV Care and Treatment, to be held in the Washington, DC metropolitan area.
 - For the NRWC, each site is responsible for its own travel costs, ground transportation, per diem, and hotel accommodations.
- Including travel to the Washington, DC metropolitan area for the biennial Division of Policy and Data Administrative Reverse Site Visit.

To create your budget narrative, see budget narrative detailed instructions in the Application Guide.

Attachments

Place your attachments in this order in the Attachments Form. See [application checklist](#) to determine if they count toward the page limit.

Unless the instructions below require it, do not submit organizational brochures or other promotional materials (for example, slides, films, clips).

Attachment 1: Work Plan

Attach the project's work plan. Make sure it includes everything required in the [project narrative](#) section.

Attachment 2: Staffing plan and job descriptions

See **Section 3.1.7 of the [Application Guide](#)**.

Include a staffing plan that shows the staff positions that will support the project, and key information about each. Justify your staffing choices, including their education and experience. Explain your reasons for the proportion of time you request for each staff position.

For each key staff member, attach a one-page job description. It must include their role, responsibilities, and qualifications.

Attachment 3: Biographical sketches

Include biographical sketches for people who will hold the key positions you describe in Attachment 2.

Each biographical sketch should be no more than two pages. Do not include non-public, [personally identifiable information](#). If you include someone you have not hired yet, provide a letter of commitment from that person along with the biographical sketch.

Attachment 4: Agreements with other entities

Provide any documents that describe working relationships between your organization and others you mention in your project narrative. If you include documents that confirm actual or pending contracts or agreements, the documents should clearly describe the roles of subrecipients and contractors and any deliverables. It is not necessary to include the entire contents of lengthy agreements, so long as the portions you include describe the working relationship between you and the other organization. Make sure letters of agreement are signed and dated.

Attachment 5: Project organizational chart

Provide a one-page diagram that shows the full project’s organizational structure.

Attachment 6-15: Other relevant documents

You may use attachments 6 through 15 to add other relevant documents.

Other required forms

You will need to complete some other forms. Upload the following forms at Grants.gov. You can find them in the NOFO [application package](#) or review them and any available instructions at [Grants.gov Forms](#).

Forms	Submission requirement
Application for Federal Assistance (SF-424)	With application.
Project Abstract Summary Form	With application.
Grants.gov Lobbying Form	With application.
Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (SF-LLL), optional	With application.
Project/Performance Site Location(s)	With application.
Budget Information for Non-Construction Programs (SF 424A)	With application.
Key Contacts	With application.

Form instructions

The application guide has detailed instructions for:

- The [Application for Federal Assistance \(SF-424\)](#).
- The [Budget Information for Non-Construction Programs \(SF-424A\)](#).

Project abstract summary form instructions

Complete the information in the Project Abstract Summary form. Include a short description of your proposed project. Include the needs you plan to address, the proposed services. For more information, see Section 3.1.2 of the [Application Guide](#).

Important: Public information

When filling out your SF-424 form, pay attention to Box 15: Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project.

We share what you put there with [USAspending](#). This is where the public goes to learn how the federal government spends their money.

Instead of just a title, insert a short description of your project and what it will do.

[See instructions and examples.](#)

Step 4: Understand Review, Selection, and Award

Application review

Initial review

We will review your application to make sure that it meets [eligibility](#) criteria, and the requirements in this NOFO. If your application does not meet eligibility criteria, it will not be funded. If your application does not meet other criteria, we will not fund it.

Merit review

A panel reviews all applications that pass the initial review. You can find more about the merit review process in the [Application Guide](#). The members use these criteria.

Criterion	Total number of points = 100
1. Need	10 points
2. Response	40 points
3. Performance reporting and evaluation	15 points
4. Impact	15 points
5. Resources and capabilities	15 points
6. Support requested	5 points

Criterion 1: Need (10 points)

See the project narrative [Introduction](#) and [Need](#) sections.

The panel will review your application for the strength, clarity, and relevance of how well it:

- Describes the purpose of the proposed project and clearly explains how it aligns with the overall goals and objectives of this NOFO.
- Demonstrates the recipient's experience with the RWHAP and organizational readiness to successfully meet and carry out all program requirements and expectations.
- Describes the barriers, gaps, and challenges that recipients and potential implementation sites face in adapting, implementing, and sustaining interventions.
- Describes how the proposed project will support long-term solutions to HIV care, including but not limited to strategies to optimize the delivery, uptake and adoption of novel long-acting therapeutic options, interventions to achieve viral suppression, and practices that integrate and sustain evidence-based HIV prevention and care in a variety of settings.
- Justifies how the proposed project will address the identified needs, contribute to improving outcomes under the interventions, and why tailored TA and one-time funding is needed.
- Provides a summary of their proposed tailored TA services, evaluation plan, which should include a cost analysis, and their dissemination plan.
- Describes the need for a project that supports recipients in adapting or replicating interventions to meet their site-specific needs.
- Identifies key challenges associated with delivering TA across different settings.

Criterion 2: Response (40 points)

The panel will review your application for the strength, clarity, and relevance of how well it:

Approach- Site Support (20 points)

- Clearly describes a process to develop and implement an application process for the three tiers of TA that will be conducted on a continuous, rolling basis, outlining eligibility criteria, application requirements, review and selection procedures, and how the one-time funds will be integrated and awarded.
 - Clearly describes a process to identify, select and award subrecipient funding.
 - Demonstrates how organizational capacity, readiness, level of TA needed, and experience will be assessed.
 - Explains how gaps in capacity will be addressed through targeted TA.
 - Clearly describes a collaborative process for working with sites to select appropriate interventions.
 - Prioritizes interventions drawn from HRSA HAB dissemination resources, including other RWHAP or SPNS-funded interventions).
 - Clearly explains under what circumstances sites may propose alternative evidence-informed or emerging interventions and how these will be assessed.
 - Describes clear, structured criteria for intervention selection, including alignment with site-identified needs, fit with existing workflows, feasibility, and consistency with organizational and strategic priorities.
 - Describes a comprehensive readiness assessment process examining staffing mix, leadership engagement, data systems, and infrastructure and how this assessment will guide TA.
 - Demonstrates how documentation will inform ongoing TA and evaluation.
 - Describes capacity to identify risks early and implement corrective actions as needed.
 - Clearly outlines processes for fiscal, administrative, and programmatic monitoring to ensure timely implementation, evaluation progress, and compliance with federal regulations.
 - Describes a structured process for assessing site-specific TA and training needs, including the level of TA needed.
 - Explains how TA and trainings will be tailored to the selected intervention, site readiness, and stage of implementation.
 - Clearly explains how lessons learned and evaluation findings from phase 1 will inform the design and delivery of TA for phase 2 and describes how they respond to ongoing evaluation results.
 - Describes a clear approach to supporting sites in developing sustainability plans, including budget projections and strategies for integrating interventions into routine operations.

Approach- High-level work plan (10 Points)

- Presents a high-level work plan that clearly describes objectives for the performance period.
- Presents a timeline, including proposed activities and staff responsible for each activity, that is realistic and achievable within the period of performance and funding levels, and that the timeline is appropriate to support intervention adaptation, implementation, evaluation, and dissemination.
- Describes how key stakeholders, including implementation sites and people with HIV, will be engaged in planning, designing, and carrying out project activities.

Resolving challenges (10 points)

- Identifies potential challenges and risks to successful implementation (for example, staffing, data collection, coordination with subrecipients, or site readiness) and describe practical and feasible strategies for addressing them.
- Describes methods to monitor progress and that of subrecipients, identify implementation issues early, and adjust TA and project activities to address issues.

Criterion 3: Performance reporting and evaluation (15 points)

Evaluation

See the Project narrative [Performance management](#) section.

The panel will review your application for the strength, clarity, and relevance of how well it:

- Describes the overall approach and methodology to evaluate project results and gain insights into program outcomes and impact.
- Describes the framework the applicant will use to guide the evaluation of implementation process outcomes, services outcomes, and costs.
- Provides justification for the selected approach and details the methodology and analytical framework.
- Describes their proposed evaluation questions, data collection methods, and analysis plan to assess the effectiveness of tailored TA in the adaptation or replication of interventions, inclusive of barriers, facilitators, and costs (inclusive of labor, training, structural, and other relevant costs associated with intervention startup and tailored TA).
- Presents an evaluation plan that identifies evaluation questions, methods, data sources, and a timeline to assess implementation processes, outcomes, and the effectiveness of TA and support provided to implementation sites as well as a cost analysis.
- Describes additional data measures proposed to assess intervention uptake (applicants should include cite literature and publications as appropriate).
- Describes a clear plan to collect, and manage data accurately, completely, and on time, consistent with program expectations.
- Explains how well the applicant will ensure the security, confidentiality, and integrity of data, including processes to protect against cybersecurity threats, breaches, or loss of data.
- Describes your plan to rapidly capture and share implementation strategies, barriers, and facilitators across phases, and translate these insights into public-facing dissemination resources.

- Describes the capacity and experience of the organization (the applicant) and key staff to carry out performance reporting and evaluation activities, as applicable to the NOFO (see attachment 2).
- Describes how well the applicant outlines the implementation and process outcomes to be evaluated, including the structural barriers and facilitators, and other measures the project will use to assess adaptation or replication.
- [if measures are defined by the applicant] Evidence that the measures assess how well program objectives have been met and to what extent the results are attributed to the project.

Criterion 4: Impact (15 points)

The panel will review your application for how well it:

Approach-Communications and dissemination

- Describes thoughtful steps to create and disseminate user-friendly, accessible, and engaging multimedia technical assistance resources, toolkits, and other public-facing materials.
- Demonstrates consideration of a variety of audiences (e.g., clinicians, administrators, community partners) and varied learning preferences.
- Clearly explains how reports, products, and implementation materials will be disseminated in real time and throughout the project lifecycle.
- Describes a clear plan to collaborate with HRSA to develop and maintain project-specific webpages.
- Demonstrates understanding of HRSA communication requirements and processes.
- Clearly describes how site staff will be engaged in the development of public-facing dissemination activities.
- Explains how the proposed strategies will support broader national dissemination and uptake of successful practices beyond the initial implementation sites, including how products and lessons learned will be shared with relevant audiences and the likely impact on people with HIV and the organizations that serve them.

Sustainability

- Describes approach to supporting sites in identifying and prioritizing the most critical element of the interventions needed to sustain improvements in practices and outcomes.
- Describes the applicant's TA strategy for assisting subrecipient sites in identifying and leveraging allowable RWHAP funds, future program income, and other sources to sustain the intervention.
- Describes anticipated challenges in supporting sites to develop sustainability plans and describes practical strategies to address and resolve these challenges.

Criterion 5: Resources and capabilities (15 points)

See the project narrative [Organizational information](#) and [Performance reporting and evaluation](#) sections.

The panel will review your application to determine the extent to which it:

- Describes the applicant organization's mission, structure, governance, and current activities, and explains how this supports successful implementation of this NOFO's requirements and description of the Project staff who have the training or experience to carry out the project.
- Demonstrates organizational experience and capacity to manage federal awards; select, fund, and monitor subrecipients; provide TA; and manage complex, multi-site or multi-partner projects.
- Describes the qualifications, roles, and responsibilities of key staff and partners, including experience with intervention adaptation, implementation support, TA, and evaluation relevant to this initiative.
- Describes the applicant organization's experience with the RWHAP and how people with HIV are meaningfully involved in informing and guiding programs or services.
- Identifies additional organizational resources and infrastructure (e.g., data systems, protocols, tools, training resources) that will support the implementation, monitoring, and evaluation of the project.
- Describes how the applicant will manage communication with partners and subrecipients.

Criterion 6: Support requested (5 points)

See the [Budget and budget narrative](#) section.

The panel will review your application to determine:

- How reasonable and well-justified the budget aligns with the proposed project narrative, work plan, and period of performance.
- Demonstrates that requested costs are allowable, allocable, reasonable, necessary, and consistent with federal requirements and program expectations.
- Shows that the distribution of funds across budget categories and, if applicable, across implementation sites and partners, supports the proposed activities, timelines, and anticipated outcomes.
- How clearly the budget describes:
 - Subawards and/or contracts for proposed sub recipients (implementation sites), contractors, and consultants in terms of scope of work.
 - How costs were derived.
 - Payment mechanisms and deliverables that are reasonable and appropriate.

We do not consider **voluntary** cost sharing during merit review.

Risk review

Before making an award, we review your award history to assess risk. We need to ensure all prior awards were managed well and demonstrated sound business practices. We:

- Review any applicable past performance.

- Review audit reports and findings.
- Analyze the budget.
- Assess your management systems.
- Ensure you continue to be eligible.
- Make sure you comply with any public policies.

We may ask you to submit additional information.

As part of this review, we use SAM.gov Entity Information [Responsibility/Qualification](#) to check your history for all awards likely to be more than \$250,000 over the period of performance. You can comment on your organization's information in SAM.gov. We'll consider your comments before making a decision about your level of risk.

If we find a significant risk, we may choose not to fund your application or to place specific conditions on the award.

For more details, see [2 CFR 200.206](#).

Selection process

When making funding decisions, we consider:

- The amount of available funds.
- Assessed risk.
- Merit review results. These are key in making decisions but are not the only factor.
- The larger portfolio of HRSA-funded projects, including project type and geographic distribution.
- [Alignment with HRSA Mission and Strategic Priorities](#).

We may:

- Fund out of rank order.
- Fund applications in whole or in part.
- Fund applications at a lower amount than requested.
- Decide not to allow a recipient to subaward if they may not be able to monitor and manage subrecipients properly.
- Choose to fund no applications under this NOFO.

Additionally, we may not make an award if you are delinquent on two or more Single Audit Reports.

You cannot appeal a denial, or the amount of funds awarded.

Funding priorities

This program includes a funding priority based on an administrative priority. A funding priority adds points to merit review scores if we determine that the application meets the listed criteria. Qualifying for a funding priority does not guarantee that your application will be successful.

HRSA staff, not the merit review panel, will determine the funding priority.

Priority 1: Alignment with Ending the HIV Epidemic in the U.S. (EHE) initiative (2 points)

We will give you funding priority if the following is met:

Your proposal is in an EHE priority state.

There are priority points for the EHE states rather than all EHE jurisdictions because those states have a substantial share of the nation's HIV rural burden. They have fewer large Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program funded programs and persistent gaps in HIV infrastructure, making it difficult for residents in these states relative to other states with more robust HIV infrastructure. Priority points for EHE states are designed to ensure resources explicitly prioritize rural states to achieve nationwide HIV incidence reduction goals.

Award notices

We issue Notices of Award (NOA) on or around the [start date](#) listed in the NOFO. See “how we make awards” in the [Application Guide](#) for more information.

By drawing down funds, you accept the terms and conditions of the award.

Step 5: Submit Your Application

Application submission and deadlines

Your organization's authorized official must certify your application. See the section on [finding the application package](#) to make sure you have everything you need.

Application deadline

You must submit your application by 07/13/2026, at 11:59 p.m. ET.

Grants.gov creates a date and time record when it receives applications.

If you need a deadline extension, see "requesting a waiver" in the [Application Guide](#).

Submission method

Grants.gov

You must submit your application through Grants.gov. You may do so using Grants.gov Workspace. This is the preferred method. For alternative online methods, see [Applicant System-to-System](#).

For instructions on how to submit in Grants.gov, see the [Quick Start Guide for Applicants](#). Make sure that your application passes the Grants.gov validation checks, or we may not get it. Do not encrypt, zip, or password protect any files.

If Grants.gov rejects your application due to errors, you must correct and resubmit before the deadline.

If you want to know more about correcting errors or tracking your application, you can refer to the [Application Guide](#).

Have questions? Go to [Contacts and Support](#).

Other submissions

Intergovernmental review

This NOFO is not subject to [Executive Order 12372](#), Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs. No action is needed.

Step 6: Learn What Happens After Award

Post-award requirements and administration

Administrative and national policy requirements

There are important rules you need to know if you get an award. You must follow:

- All terms and conditions in the Notice of Award (NOA). We incorporate this NOFO by reference.
- The regulations at [2 CFR Part 200](#), Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, modifications at [2 CFR Part 300](#), and any superseding regulations.
- The [HHS Grants Policy Statement](#). Your NOA will reference this document. If there are any exceptions to the GPS, they'll be listed in your NOA.
- All federal statutes and regulations relevant to federal financial assistance, including those highlighted in [HHS Administrative and National Policy Requirements](#).
- The requirements for performance management in [2 CFR 200.301](#).
- All anti-discrimination laws: By applying for or accepting federal funds from HHS, you certify compliance with all federal antidiscrimination laws and these requirements. Complying with those laws is a material condition of receiving federal funding streams. You are responsible for ensuring subrecipients, contractors, and partners also comply.

There are important rules you need to know if you get an award. You must follow:

- All terms and conditions in the Notice of Award (NOA). We incorporate this NOFO by reference.
- The regulations at [2 CFR 200](#), Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for HHS Awards, modifications at 2 CFR 300, and any superseding regulations.
- The HHS [Grants Policy Statement \(GPS\) \[PDF\]](#). Your NOA will reference this document. If there are any exceptions to the GPS, they'll be listed in your NOA.
- All federal statutes and regulations relevant to federal financial assistance, including those highlighted in [HHS Administrative and National Policy Requirements](#).
- The requirements for performance management in [2 CFR 200.301](#) (before October 1, 2025: [45 CFR 75.301](#)).

Required Alignment with HRSA Mission and Strategic Priorities

Recipients must use funds awarded under this NOFO to implement program goals or agency priorities in accordance with the HRSA [vision, mission, core values, and strategic priorities](#), where authorized by law.

In administering programs under this and all funding announcements, HRSA prioritizes:

- **Evidence-based healthcare:** Funding activities supported by rigorous scientific evidence, particularly for programs serving children and adolescents, where HRSA is committed to approaches that reflect the highest standards of clinical care and child safety.

- **Biological and physiological integrity:** Recognizing the relevance of biological sex to health outcomes, HRSA encourages applicants to account for sex-based health factors in program design, data collection, and service delivery where scientifically appropriate.

HRSA will implement these priorities consistent with applicable laws, regulations, court orders, and all required administrative procedures. Applicants are encouraged to describe how their proposed programs align with these priorities in their project narratives.

Funded activities must advance HRSA’s vision of protecting and improving the health and well-being of Americans. The particular focus is on those who are medically vulnerable or live in areas with limited access to care. HRSA’s duty is to serve wisely, effectively, and with measurable results that justify every taxpayer dollar invested.

Consistent with HRSA’s priorities, in carrying out any project funded under this NOFO, the recipient must adhere to the following principles, where they are consistent with the authority and scope of the award and its activities:

- **Gold standard science:** Design and deliver services using gold standard evidence-based and evidence-informed approaches, establish measurable performance goals, and use data to monitor outcomes and drive continuous improvement.
- **Program integrity and fiscal stewardship:** Recipients must:
 - Administer funds in accordance with all applicable federal statutes, regulations, and award conditions.
 - Maintain strong internal controls.
 - Prevent waste, fraud, and abuse.
- **Partnership and local leadership:** Coordinate with state, tribal, territorial, local, and community partners, as appropriate, and tailor services to meet community-identified needs while respecting local decision-making authority.

Recipients must manage any project awarded under this NOFO in accordance with the following objectives in programs authorized to advance them:

Make America Healthy Again (MAHA): HRSA prioritizes the health and well-being of all Americans by supporting common-sense, evidence-based health policies that promote:

- Personal responsibility.
- Strong families and communities.
- Proper nutrition.
- The prevention and management of chronic disease, while ensuring access to high-quality, affordable physical and mental health care.

Child protections, biological integrity, parental rights, and lawful use of funds: HRSA prioritizes safeguarding children’s health and safety by:

- Not supporting medical interventions for gender dysphoria in minors that lack a strong evidence base.
- Applying sex-based definitions grounded in biological reality.

- Supporting parental authority, transparency, and choice in education, including school-based health centers that respect parental rights and religious upbringing.
- Ensuring taxpayer funds are not used to promote or support elective abortions, consistent with federal law and the Hyde Amendment.

Advancing evidence-based, merit-driven, and ethically grounded health care: HRSA will prioritize unbiased, transparent science; merit-based workforce opportunities; and programs that demonstrate measurable outcomes, while deprioritizing organizations with:

- Conflicts of interest.
- “Harm reduction” models.
- Housing-first approaches.
- Activities that facilitate illegal drug use or unsafe medical practices.

Promoting public safety, lawful use of federal funds, and national health priorities: To the extent permitted by law, HRSA will align funding with administration priorities by:

- Supporting ending the HIV epidemic through authorized, evidence-based care.
- Reserving benefits for eligible individuals.
- Discouraging illegal immigration and unsafe community practices.
- Prioritizing recipients that enforce public safety, address serious mental illness and substance use through treatment and recovery, and reduce homelessness responsibly.

To the extent allowable by law, under awards, HRSA will give priority to states and municipalities for programs to:

- Enforce prohibitions on open illicit drug use.
- Enforce prohibitions on urban camping and loitering.
- Enforce prohibitions on urban squatting.
- Enforce, and where necessary, adopt, standards that address individuals who are a danger to themselves or others and suffer from serious mental illness or substance use disorder, or who are living on the streets and cannot care for themselves. The approach must be through assisted outpatient treatment or by moving them into treatment centers or other appropriate facilities through civil commitment or other available means, to the maximum extent permitted by law.

HRSA will implement these priorities consistent with applicable laws, regulations, court orders, and any required procedures.

The recipient must demonstrate ongoing compliance with these priorities, in all programs that are authorized to advance them, through program design, implementation, reporting, and evaluation.

Failure to meaningfully align funded activities with the applicable requirements may result in corrective action, additional reporting requirements, or other actions consistent with federal grant regulations at [2 CFR Part 200](#) and the terms and conditions of this award. This includes termination under [2 CFR § 200.340\(a\)\(4\)](#) if an award no longer effectuates the program goals or agency priorities.

Cybersecurity

- If awarded, you must develop plans and procedures, modeled after the NIST Cybersecurity framework, to protect HHS systems and data. See [details here](#).

Successful applicants under this NOFO agree that:

Where award funding involves:	Recipients and subrecipients are required to:
Implementing, acquiring, or upgrading health IT for activities funded by any entity	Use health IT that meets standards and implementation specifications adopted in 45 CFR 170, Subpart B, if such standards and implementation specifications can support the activity. Visit to 45 CFR 170, Subpart B learn more.
Implementing, acquiring, or upgrading health IT for activities by eligible clinicians in ambulatory settings, or hospitals, eligible under Sections 4101, 4102, and 4201 of the HITECH Act	Use health IT certified under the ONC Health IT Certification Program if certified technology can support the activity. Visit https://www.healthit.gov/topic/certification-ehrs/certification-health-it to learn more.

If standards and implementation specifications adopted in [45 CFR part 170, Subpart B](#) cannot support the activity, recipients and subrecipients are encouraged to use health IT that meets non-proprietary standards and implementation specifications developed by consensus-based standards development organizations. This may include standards identified in the ONC Interoperability Standards Advisory, available at <https://www.healthit.gov/isp/>.

Reporting

If you are funded, you will have to follow the reporting requirements in “reporting” section of the [Application Guide](#). The NOA will provide specific details.

You must also follow these program-specific reporting requirements:

- Progress report(s) each year
- Annual Performance reports.
- Progress reports each year.
- Annual performance reports.
- You will submit a final report after the project ends.

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Call: 877-464-4772 / 877-Go4-HRSA

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[Electronic Handbooks Contact Center](#)

Help with systems

Grants.gov

Grants.gov provides 24/7 support. You can call 800-518-4726, search the [Grants.gov Knowledge Base](#), or [email Grants.gov for support](#). Hold on to your ticket number.

SAM.gov

If you need help, you can call 866-606-8220 or live chat with the [Federal Service Desk](#).

Helpful websites

- [Application Guide](#)
- [HRSA Grants page](#)
- [HHS Tips for Preparing Grant Proposals](#)
- [Frequently Asked Questions](#)
- [Applicant Training](#)
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