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NOFO Qs & As

Q1a. We noted that the NOFO states that organizations “should submit separate proposals for each line of effort/sub-section/project identified in the NOFO” (p. 15). We also understand that Organizations can submit “multiple applications to this NOFO” (p. 16) and that “Applicants cannot submit multiple applications in a single entry on SAMS Domestic. Each application has to be submitted independently”.

A1a. When applying for multiple countries, you must submit a separate application per country. Organizations can submit multiple applications to this NOFO, and each could be awarded, but each application must have a distinct application number (SAPP000XXXXX)

Q1b. In light of all of this, we wanted to confirm then whether the 12 page limit and related requirements apply to each separate application or does it apply to one overall package of proposals that an entity may submit. Overall, it might be useful to have greater clarity on what the terms “proposals” and “applications” mean in these contexts.

A1b. The application consists of all the required documents submitted in the SAMS Domestic system. The proposal is a document within the application – please see page 17. Section 2: Content Form and Application Submission for the list of required content.

Q2. We wanted to understand whether the instruction on page 3 (. . . proposals should also demonstrate how the program will further engagement in underserved communities and with individuals from underserved communities. . .) is separate and in addition to the categories listed on page 17 related to the DEIA Plan.

A2. Yes, it is separate and in addition to the categories listed on page 17 related to the DEIA Plan. The support of underserved communities will be part of the review criteria for this opportunity. Therefore, proposals should clearly demonstrate how the program will support and advance equity and engage underserved communities in program administration, design, and implementation.