

**Questions and Answers to APS-OAA-15-000004 (Integrating Community Health) and
Addendum #1 -APS-OAA-15-000005 (Community Health Workers)**

- 1. (a) We are a small non-profit that partners with the Ministry of Health. However, we are an independent organization, not an affiliate of the government. Would we be eligible to apply for this grant?**
(b) We would like to know the possibilities of a National NGO applying alone for the grant.
 - o Please review Section III - Eligibility Information in both APS-OAA-15-000004 and APS-OAA-15-000005. Note that APS-OAA-15-000005 (Addendum #1) has two Categories. Category 1 is open to local Applicants meeting the definition provided therein. Category 2 is open to all Applicants meeting the eligibility requirements as indicated in APS-OAA-15-000004 and requires 1:1 resource leverage. Individuals and governments are not eligible to apply. Partnership with governments does not make an organization ineligible to apply.
- 2. Could you please kindly let me know if public international organizations (PIOs) such as the World Health Organization (WHO) can apply to this call for concept papers? Or should we submit a proposal together with an NGO?**
 - o Amendment #1 to APS-OAA-15-000004 and APS-OAA-15-000005 addressed the eligibility of PIOs under the “Eligibility” Section (Question #1). In addition, NGOs that are eligible to apply (see Section III - Eligibility Information in both funding opportunities) are encouraged to collaborate with diverse organizations, (including but not restricted to WHO), to support high quality programming in countries.
- 3. Can we apply in a consortium with other national NGOs? Can national NGOs partner with international NGOs?**
 - o Amendment #1 to APS-OAA-15-000004 and APS-OAA-15-000005 addresses strategic partnerships under the “Eligibility” Section (Question #3). Partnerships (including consortia or networks of organizations) are eligible and encouraged to apply.
- 4. How much minimum and maximum ceiling can National NGO apply for?**
 - o For APS-OAA-15-000005 (Addendum #1), Applicants to Category 1 may receive USAID funding up to \$1 million for projects up to 4 years in duration. Applicants to Category 2 may receive USAID funding up to \$2 million for projects up to 4 years in duration. (See Section II - Federal Award Information, pg. 11). National NGOs may apply in either category, but please review the eligibility information for each category (see Section III - Eligibility Information).
- 5. What is the period for this project?**
 - o Under APS-OAA-15-000004, applicants may propose a period of performance of up to five years. Under APS-OAA-15-000004 (Addendum #1), applicants may propose a period of performance of up to four years.

6. What does APS mean?

- o APS stands for Annual Program Statement.

7. Where should applications be submitted?

- o Applications should be submitted to ICH-APS@usaid.gov. Please review Section IV - Application and Submission Information for more information on requirements.

8. I'm writing in regards to the ICH APS Pre-Submission Conference that was held yesterday, June 16th. I was on the call, and am hoping you can clarify what was said related to the cost share and leverage requirement for Addendum 1: Community Health Workers Programming (APS-OAA-15-000005). On the call, we were told: (1) Cost share and leverage proposed for this project (Addendum 1: Community Health Workers Programming) must have been specifically committed for this project. (2) That means that we could not use ongoing or future funding, even if it meets the requirements outlined in 2 CFR 200.306 and the USAID Cost Share Standard Provision for U.S. or Non-U.S. NGOs. (3) However, on page 14 of Addendum 1, it says to follow 2 CFR 200.306 and the USAID Cost Share Standard Provision for U.S. or Non-U.S. NGOs. Can you please confirm that we should follow what is said in the Addendum related to cost share and leverage?

- o Funding to be counted as cost share and leverage should be new. Please continue to follow the guidance as stated in the Addendum (2 CFR 200.306 and USAID Cost Share Standard Provisions for U.S. or Non-U.S. NGOs).

9. Could I please confirm that applicants do NOT need to be registered with System for Award Management (SAM) AND have a valid DUNS number for the initial concept paper stage?

- o An organization must be registered in SAM and provide a valid Dun and Bradstreet Universal Numbering System (DUNS) Number before submitting a Full Application, as required in ADS 303.3.5.2(d)(3).