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Reference: Strengthening Integrated Health Services Activity (SIHSA)
Notice of Funding Opportunity No.: 72063624RFA00002

Subject: Amendment No. 2

The purpose of this amendment is to:

1. Provide answers to the questions received on April 26, 2024, in response to the Strengthening Integrated Health Services Activity (SIHSA), Notice of Funding Opportunity No.: 72063624RFA00002 - Amendment 1.

All other terms of the RFA remain unchanged.

1. *In response to Question 67 under Amendment 1, USAID states that the awardee should plan and budget for CHW remuneration in all five integrated districts. However, the amended NOFO (page 6) still states that SIHSA is expected to support CHW incentives to Pujehun, Falaba, and Kailahun, where PMI has provided incentives.*

- a. *Would USAID please confirm for which districts applicants should budget CHW remuneration?*

Response: SIHSA is only responsible for remunerating CHWs in three districts: Pujehun, Falaba and Kailahun. (Please refer to the table on NOFO page 7.)

- b. *Would USAID confirm that applicants should budget for one to two years of CHW remuneration for each district receiving remuneration support from SIHSA?*

Response: Confirmed. Applicants are expected to budget for two years of CHW remuneration for each district receiving remuneration support from SIHSA.

- c. *The response to Question 67 notes that Pujehun is a malaria only district. However, on page 7 of the amended NOFO, Pujehun is categorized as an integrated district. Would USAID confirm if Pujehun is an integrated district or a malaria only district?*

Response: Pujehun is one of the SIHSA integrated districts. Please refer to table on page 7 of the amended NOFO.

CORRECTION TO Amendment 1:

2. **Question 64 of Amendment 1 :** Could USAID please clarify what support (outside of the SIHSA budget), if any, PMI will supply for malaria support in the five SIHSA 'malaria only' districts?

Response: See response to question #61 in Amendment 1.

3. **Question 160 of Amendment 1:** a. Does the 20% budget expectation for transition awards mean that each Transition Award should be for 20% of the total estimated amount, such that two Transition Awards equal 40% of the total estimated amount? Or does it mean that the sum of transition awards should total 20%? b. Should the 20% for Transition Awards in Years 3-5 be budgeted as a lump sum, given that the TransitionAwardees will not be named until after award? c. In this case, existing partners

that may become TransitionAwardees would only submit detailed budgets for Years 1-2?

Response:

- a. No.
 - b. See response to question #90 in Amendment 1. Transition awards to an approved sub-recipient will be through a direct award from USAID and funded separately from the SIHSA budget; therefore, a transition award amount should not be reflected in the SIHSA budget.
 - c. Yes, that is one possible approach.
4. **Question 154 in Amendment 1:** Should the preferred procurement management model be included in the Transition Plan after award or should it be included during the application stage in the management section of the Technical Narrative, or in should it be included during the application stage in an Annex or Cost Application (pg 33 of the NOFO)?

Response: See response to question #11 in Amendment 1.