

**Targeted Hispanic/Latino Outreach HIV Testing and Associated Prevention Services  
 FY 2021 Grant Year  
 Questions in Response to the Request for Grant Applications # FY2021–RFGA-HV-916  
 Submitted as of 5:00 PM, October 9, 2020**

1	Q	How should we address some of the requirements included in the application if we are an organization that can do the work, but not currently CLIA certified -- or may need to be trained in HIV and other STI testing capabilities?
	A	Applicants must meet the minimum eligibility requirements in order to be considered as responsive to the RFGA. An organization that does not meet those requirements may choose to partner with an agency that <i>does</i> meet the requirements. However, the agency meeting the requirements would then become the applicant. A partnering organization would be considered a potential sub-awardee of the primary applicant organization. Any consideration of funding to the sub-awardee of the primary applicant would have to be approved by DHEC, if the primary applicant is awarded funding.
2	Q	If we partner with another organization, do they apply for the entire amount listed on the RFGA and subcontract with us?
	A	Yes, the applicant may apply for full amount of available funding and then subcontract (with DHEC prior approval) with another entity to provide a portion of the services. However, it should be noted that the applicant organization must be the primary provider of the required services identified in the RFGA.
3	Q	Can the administrative fee be used for the contractor and subcontractor?
	A	Yes, the administrative fee may be budgeted to be used by both the grantee and the subgrantee. The total amount of the administrative fee for both the grantee and the subgrantee cannot exceed the maximum allowable percentage noted in the RFGA.
4	Q	How can testing be done this upcoming year during the pandemic, especially in community settings?
	A	The applicant should describe in detail the methods of the provision of the required services, including in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic. DHEC cannot prescribe any single strategy for the provision of services. The applicant should describe its current and proposed resources and protocols that will maximize the provision of services.
5	Q	Are the funds \$120,000 per year for 2 years?
	A	The <b>annual</b> award is for \$120,000 for the full calendar year of 2021. As indicated in the Background section I on page 3, the anticipated award date is November 2. The resulting <b>initial</b> award will be for 2/12 (1/6) of \$120,000 for the budget period of November 2 - December 31, 2020.