

RFGA-HV-206

Response to Questions

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(Questions may have been paraphrased to preserve the identity of the organization asking the question)

Question #1: Are organizations required to provide services in the overall RWB service area or only in the proposed service area of the organization?

Answer #1: Organizations are only required to provide services to PLWH living in the counties of the service areas for which they are applying. For example, an organization apply for funding for Service Area 1 would be required to provide services to PLWH living in Anderson, Oconee, Pickens, and Greenville Counties.

Question #2: Are there specific award amounts for each service area?

Answer #2: Funding awards for each service area are not designated in the RFGA.

Question #3: Are organizations required to provide services to all counties in a service area?

Answer #3: Organizations must provide services to PLWH living in all counties of the multi-county service area.

Question #4: If the organization provides services in only some portion of a RWB service area and all counties of another area, can the organization apply for funding for both service areas? Would an organization in this position be required to provide services to all counties of both regions to apply for funding for each service area? If funds are available, can an organization serve clients from outside of the service area with Ryan White Part B Funds?

Answer #4: Applicants may apply for more than one service area. The applicant will be required to provide services to PLWH living in all counties of all service areas for which they are applying, if awarded. Entities may offer services outside the funded service area. As written in the South Carolina Ryan White Part B Service Standards (Page 5) found at this link: [South Carolina Ryan White Part B \(scdhec.gov\)](https://www.scdhec.gov/Portals/0/SCRyanWhitePartBServiceStandards.pdf): *“While DHEC has allocated Part B funding by service areas, clients are eligible to be served outside their service area if the Part B funded organization has funds available, and the client resides in South Carolina.”*

Question #5: What is the definition of key staff for the purpose of this grant?

Answer #5: DHEC made no designation of key staff in the RFGA. Key staff include those involved in the grant administration process (ex. CEO, CFO, Staff responsible for meeting reporting requirements) and program implementation (ex. Program Services Manager).

Question #6: Please define EIIHA?

Answer #6: EIIHA stands for Early Identification of Individuals with HIV and AIDS. EIIHA is the identifying, counseling, testing, informing and referring of diagnosed individuals to appropriate services. The goal of EIIHA is to ensure that individuals who are unaware of their HIV status are identified, informed of their status, referred to supportive services and linked to medical care.

Question #7: For determining eligibility, three (3) years of data reports as documentation of three (3) years of service history is requested. For *Provide Enterprise (PE)* users, why would the RSR Client Summary Report for 2018 show very different data run now versus run previously? How should *PE* users meet the 2018 data report requirement to show eligibility?

Answer #7: The service views that the RSR Reports run from in *PE* only include the last two full years of services and the earliest services the client received. Therefore, a 2018 RSR Client Summary Report run in 2021 may not produce an accurate reflection of services provided in 2018. The RSR Client Summary Reports from *PE* for 2019 and 2020 should not be impacted.

In order to respond to Question #2 in Section A. ELIGIBILITY DETERMINATION DOCUMENTATION section restated here,

2. Provide three (3) years of data reports as documentation of three (3) years of service history described above:
 - ***Applicants who have previously received Ryan White funding:*** Provide three annual Ryan White data reports (CY2018, CY2019, CY2020). Data may be in the form of a summary data report such as a Client Summary Report from *Provide Enterprise (PE)* or a Ryan White Data or Services Report printed directly from another RSR-ready database (include the name of database).
 - ***Applicants who have not previously received Ryan White funding:*** Indicate sources of funding and specific programs supported. If grant funds, include start and end dates of grant funding. Provide at least three annual data reports indicating RW eligible services of HIV medical care, HIV medical case management, and/or supportive services (consistent with RW eligible services) to Ryan White Part B eligible clients provided (CY2018, CY2019, CY2020). Data may be in the form of: 1) reviewed summary data reports clearly indicating provision of specific services to RW Part B eligible clients; (2) data within a site visit report from the funder; or (3) data within a funder's technical review of the applicant's annual report.

DHEC offers the following options for *PE* users:

1. If the applicant has a previously run 2018 RSR Client Summary Report from *PE* saved, please submit the report from 2018.
2. If the applicant was a DHEC funded Ryan White Part B subrecipient and submitted a 2018 RSR, the applicant may request the 2018 RSR Client Summary Report previously submitted to DHEC. Contact Leigh Oden at odenl@dhec.sc.gov to request an electronic copy of the report.
3. The applicant may run and submit a 2018 *Activity by Provider Report* run from *PE*.