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Questions and Answers

RFA 22-002

Programs to Reduce Severe Maternal Morbidity through Telehealth (SMMT) In Florida

DATE: May 24, 2023

TO: Applicants

FROM: Office of Minority Health and Health Equity
Florida Department of Health

SUBJECT: Questions and Answers: RFA22-002

Question #1. Where is the webinar recording? According to the RFA: Playback: "The pre-conference will be recorded and should be available within 2 business days on the Office of Minority Health website.

Department Response: The recording is available at the following links:

[Closing the Gap Grant | Florida Department of Health \(floridahealth.gov\)](https://www.floridahealth.gov/programs-and-services/antimicrobial-resistance/closing-the-gap-grant)
[Severe Maternal Morbidity | Florida Department of Health \(floridahealth.gov\)](https://www.floridahealth.gov/programs-and-services/antimicrobial-resistance/severe-maternal-morbidity)

Question #2. In the RFA, the spreadsheet of high-risk counties includes Lee County; however, the Anticipated Service Area does not include Lee County and lists Lake County twice. Does the RFA have a typo and Lee County should be included in the Anticipated Service Area? I know we are past the deadline for submitting questions, but this is an important clarification for the Southwest Florida area.

Department Response: Yes, that is a typographical error. Lee County is included in the anticipated Service Area.

Question #3. When will the pre-conference and answers to questions about this RFA be posted?

Department Response: See answer to Question #1 regarding the pre-conference recording. Questions and Answers are posted at the following links:

[Closing the Gap Grant | Florida Department of Health \(floridahealth.gov\)](https://www.floridahealth.gov/programs-and-services/antimicrobial-resistance/closing-the-gap-grant)
[Severe Maternal Morbidity | Florida Department of Health \(floridahealth.gov\)](https://www.floridahealth.gov/programs-and-services/antimicrobial-resistance/severe-maternal-morbidity)

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Question #4. Can you clarify front porch community designation for Dorsey-Riverbend?

Department Response: No, we are not aware of any front porch community designation for Dorsey-Riverbend.

Question #5. I am interested in applying for the Closing the Gap Grant for the State of Florida. How can I start my application please?

Department Response: This question is outside of the scope of this RFA.

Question #6. In the RFA, the spreadsheet of high-risk counties includes Lee County; however, the Anticipated Service Area does not include Lee County and lists Lake County twice. Does the RFA have a typo and Lee County should be included in the Anticipated Service Area?

Department Response: See response to Question #2.

Question #7. What was the distribution list for sending out the RFA by email? Was it announced on a CHD or other agency leadership call?

Department Response: The RFA was posted on the DOH web-site available at <https://www.floridahealth.gov/about/administrative-functions/purchasing/grant-funding-opportunities/index.html> as well as the VIP site available at <https://vendor.myfloridamarketplace.com/>.

Question #8. Will Program Performance Data be provided to applicants.

Department Response: No.

Question #9. Will the FDOH contract with UniteUs for their SDoH platform for referral tracking or will each funded applicant have the ability to contract with the Vendor or other similar Providers?

Department Response: This question is outside of the scope of this RFA.

Question #10. Will each funded program be provided with Program Patient Targets based on their actual funding?

Department Response: Yes

Question #11. Is \$12 million funding the amount available per year or for the entire three-year period?

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Department Response: The \$12 million is anticipated to be per year, subject to the availability of funds.

Question #12. On addendum 1, Item 2, chart – what does the second column of numbers (top of column has number 4,971) mean?

Department Response: That column of number represents the statewide program's total number of clients to be served each contract year.

Question #13. If some counties do not get enough applications to draw down all their allocated funds and there is money left over, will those leftover funds be reallocated?

Department Response: The Department will seek to identify providers for those areas.

Question #14. Can we request more than our County's allocated funding?

Department Response: No.

Question #15. Can you please post the Application Budget Forms in Excel format on the website so they may be filled in easily before converting into PDF?

Department Response: Yes, the Application Budget Form is available at the following links:

<https://www.floridahealth.gov/about/administrative-functions/purchasing/grant-funding-opportunities/index.html>;

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