

California HIV/AIDS Research Program

Request for Proposals (RFP)

LAI PrEP Applicant Webinar
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Webinar Agenda

- Brief Overview of funding opportunity
- Address questions that have been submitted
- Discuss ViiV involvement and additional processes
- Questions and next steps

Community-Centered Demonstration Projects to Support Implementation of Long-Acting Injectable (LAI) PrEP Adoption Across California

Requirements

Award Type

- Demonstration Projects
- **Multi-investigator awards**

Goal/Objectives

- Integration of LAI PrEP into new/existing community prevention strategies
- Focus on traditional (clinic) and non-traditional (pop-up) settings with a SDH focus
- Projects focused on collaborative approaches involving broad-based partnerships encouraged
- Evaluation strategies for measuring impacts and feasibility to support long-term success

Review Criteria

LOI

- Innovation and Collaboration (50%)
- Significance and Potential Impact (30%)
- Approach and Feasibility (20%)

Full Application

- Innovation and Collaboration (20%)
- Impact (15%)
- Sustainability (15%)
- Approach (50%)

Budget

- \$2,025,000 in total costs over four years**
- Direct costs up to \$1,500,000
 - Indirect costs up to 35%

Key Dates & Timeline

Key Event	Date
Questions Due	May 5, 2023
LOI Due	May 25, 2023
Second Webinar	June 20, 2023
Questions Due	June 27, 2023
Full Applications due	July 27, 2023
Award Notifications Sent Out	December 1, 2023
Award Start Date	February 1, 2024

Submitted questions and answers

Question	Answers
Assurances Required (if applicable: Human Subjects; Vertebrate Animals; Biohazards; DEA Controlled Substance Use), what does this mean?	If you are planning on using any of these as part of your study (e.g., human subjects) you must describe how you plan to adhere to existing regulations (e.g., IRB approval), in your application.
Can we edit the initial proposal to incorporate a larger population for injectable PrEP?	Yes
Do you need any SOPs from us to know more about the extent of PrEP uptake currently at our clinics?	Not necessary.
What are the milestones that you look for to consider the implementation impactful?	Those need to be addressed in your application
Is the annual funding renewal contingent to certain goals/milestones? Are there any regular reports that you would need to check the performance/progress?	Performance progress will be monitored through annual progress reports. All CHRP contracts state that further funding is contingent on successful progress towards stated goals.

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Is there a word count/character limit for all sections in the full application?	No, just a 15 page limit
The application calls to insert online AIMS on Project information TAB and then your Research Plan Template as call for the AIMS, Should we put the AIM in both areas?	Yes, needs to be in both. Note, the tab has word limit which may be shorter than what you want to write for your application.
The application requirements list in FOA calls for Community Engagement Plan if required but I cannot locate any addition guidance on the item which we may like to include. Can you provide more guidance on this item	This is optional, we do not require a separate community engagement plan document, but recommend discussing such a plan as part of your overall response when discussing collaborations
If we have a Co-PI from a community organization, will CHRP desire to issue a separate NOA or would this organization be treated as a subaward?	This is a multi-investigator award, but the division of workshare is up to you.

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if the application, has 2 Co-I can the 10% requirement be split between to 2 so each could have 5%?	Any designated PI/CO-PIs needs to have 10% LOE. This is not required for Co-I.
Could the project include issuing TBD fiscal support to pilot sites for start-up / research activities?	Please write us more info.
If study drug is to be provided, would ViiV consider a reimbursement method versus providing study drug for distribution which will be challenging to implement in the community environment?	This you will have to work out with ViiV directly

Communications with ViiV

- Upon funding notification (Dec 1) we will schedule a ViiV kickoff meeting
- After kickoff grantees will work directly with ViiV to:
 - Discuss drug needs for your study
 - Sign contracts if needed
 - Provide documents to receive necessary approvals
 - Discuss timelines and next steps for implementation
- ViiV will work with grantees to fast-track internal approval processes

when possible

Additional Questions?

For programmatic questions:

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