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Questions and Answers for the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) Request for Proposals (RFP) RFP Application Due Date: 3:00pm – August 30, 2023

Question: We just received notification for the HOPWA RFP – I just want to make sure that this is the RFP for the current contract we have that is expiring 12/31/2023. I just want to be sure this is not additional funding!!

Answer: Current HOPWA contracts have an end date of 12/31/23. Awards made as a result of this Request for Proposals will fund contracts that will commence on January 1, 2024, and terminate on December 31, 2028. All existing HOPWA contractors must apply to this RFP to be considered for a contract commencing January 1, 2024.

Question: Can you clarify the percentage for the Indirect and administrative costs in the HOPWA RFP? These sentences on page 11 seem to conflict: Indirect Cost rates of up to 7% of the grant request are permissible for agencies that have a federally approved rate. For this RFP, an indirect or administrative rate of up to 10% may be charged with a federally approved rate.

Answer: Administrative and indirect cost rates are allowable for up to 7% of the grant request. Note that federal indirect cost rates require supporting documentation for approval.

Question: I have a question regarding the funding allocation for the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) RFP. Would an agency solely operating in NYC be eligible for funding?

Answer: This answer serves as a clarification to Section II. Eligible Applicants. OTDA's priority is those applications that come from areas of the State that do not currently receive a direct HOPWA allocation from HUD. Funding may be awarded to applicants in areas of the state which receive a direct federal allocation only after all viable proposals in areas of the state that do not receive a direct allocation from HUD or are prohibited from applying for funds from a jurisdiction that receives a direct allocation from HUD, have been funded.

Question: We are located in the City of Rochester, Monroe County. If awarded funding, can we serve individuals outside of Monroe County? Specifically, Ontario, Livingston, and Wayne Counties.

Answer: Yes, an agency located in the City of Rochester, Monroe County can serve areas outside of Monroe County.