

## ADDENDUM #1

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New York State Department of Health AIDS Institute and HRI

### Questions and Answers for Request for Applications (RFA) Ending Epidemics Education, Training and Technical Assistance Services Request for Applications (RFA) RFA #20760/Internal Program #25-0003

The following are official modifications, which are hereby incorporated into the Question and Answer Document for **RFA #20760 Internal Program #25-0003 for all Components**.  
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Deleted language appears in strikethrough (“~~xxx~~”) and added language appears in **red** text. The information contained in this addendum prevails over the original RFA language. **Applicants should review all documents in their entirety to ensure all amended language is incorporated into their applications.**

The following modifications are made to **the Question and Answer Document**.

**Question 27:** Can we access a list of current contractors so that we can see what services currently already exist?

**Answer 27:** [Currently funded providers and their regions/topics are listed below.](#)

<b>Contractor</b>	<b>Region/Topic</b>
<b>Component A - Regional Training Center</b>	
Cicatelli Associates, Inc.	New York City - Mid-Hudson
Research Foundation of SUNY/Stony Brook University, Center for Public Health Education	New York City - Long Island
University of Rochester – Center for Community Practice	Upstate New York
<b>Component B - Topic Specific Centers of Expertise</b>	
University of Rochester – Center for Community Practice	Promoting Health for LGBTGNC people
ACR Health	Promoting Health for People Who Use Drugs
ACR Health	Opioid Overdose Prevention Training and Capacity Building
The Family Center	HCV Mono-infection and HIV/HCV Co-infection
Research Foundation of SUNY/ University of Buffalo, Institute for Trauma and Trauma Informed Care	Trauma-Informed Care
The Albany Damien Center	Expanding Employment Opportunities for People Living with HIV
The Family Center	Improving Health Outcomes Among Older Adults Living with HIV
The Legal Action Center	Legal Issues Impacting People Living with HIV/STI/Viral Hepatitis

<b>Component C - Centers of Expertise in On-Line Training</b>	
Cicatelli Associates, Inc.	Statewide
<b>Component D - Peer Certification Academic Center</b>	
Research Foundation of SUNY/ University of Buffalo, Institute for Trauma and Trauma Informed Care Stony Brook University, Center for Public Health Education	Statewide
<b>Component E - Leadership Training Institute for HIV, Hepatitis, Drug User Health and PrEP</b>	
Cicatelli Associates, Inc.	Statewide

The following additions are made to **the Question and Answer Document**.

**Question 39:** Given that best practices and systems-level approaches continue to evolve, particularly for Components A and B, does the Department encourage or prioritize applications that include formal collaborations, partnerships, or subcontracting arrangements? If so, are there specific expectations or limitations regarding these structures? How should such partnerships be reflected in the application (e.g., letters of support, defined scopes of work)?

**Answer 39:** All Funded Applicants within this initiative are expected to participate in a collaborative process. As stated in Section III. Project Narrative/Work Plan Outcomes, B. Requirements for the Program, Component A: Regional Training Center of the RFA, funded applicants for Component A are expected to work with New York State Department of Health AIDS Institute-funded agencies, community planning bodies and other providers within the region to assess training needs and priorities; contribute to ensuring training curricula remain up-to-date and reflective of evidence-based practices; and facilitate expert review of new or revised training materials. Additionally, Component A funded applicants are expected to facilitate at least one (1) regional networking event to identify emerging needs and share resources, as outlined in the **Work Plan - Component A: Attachment 6**, Performance Measure 5.3.1.

As described in Section III. Project Narrative/Work Plan Outcomes, B. Requirements for the Program, Component B: Topic-Specific Training Centers of Expertise, funded applicants for Component B are expected to meet regularly with designated New York State Department of Health AIDS Institute program offices and partners to guide development of a semi-annual training plan to meet identified training needs, emerging priorities, best practices and lessons learned. Additionally, funded applicants for Component B are expected to participate in professional conferences, coalitions or other workgroups to remain abreast of the latest developments related to their designated topic area.

Funded Applicants may subcontract components of the scope of work. For those Applicants that propose subcontracting, it is preferable to identify subcontracting agencies during the application process. Applicants that plan to subcontract are expected to state in the application the specific components of the scope of work to be performed through subcontracts. Applicants should note that the lead organization (contractor) will have overall responsibility for all contract activities, including those performed by subcontractors, and will be the primary contact for the New York State Department of Health AIDS Institute. All subcontractors should be approved by the New York State Department of Health AIDS Institute.

**Question 40:** How does the Department define success for this initiative beyond required deliverables, particularly in terms of systems change, sustainability, or impact on Ending the

Epidemic goals?

**Answer 40:** As stated in Section III. Project Narrative/Work Plan Outcomes, A. Program Model Description, Anticipated Outcomes, the overall initiative activities will align and coordinate with specific objectives outlined in each of the following New York State strategic plans: Ending the Epidemic Blueprint and Beyond 2020; NYS Hepatitis C Elimination Plan; the NYS Prevention Agenda; plans to combat the opioid epidemic; as well as any other related future public health plans and will contribute to achieving these goals. Additionally, initiative program evaluation activities will include at least one (1) small scale mixed method study each year to evaluate the impact of capacity building training provided on the quality of care and specific outcomes, to be determined in conjunction with the AIDS Institute.

**Question 41:** What relationship does the Department play with grantees once awards are provided?

**Answer 41:** All Funded Applicants within this initiative are expected to participate in a collaborative process with the AIDS Institute and its partners. As outlined in the objective on **Program Monitoring and Evaluation Objective of the Work Plan** for each Component, funded applicants will participate in initiative-related calls with the AIDS Institute. These include quarterly contractor workgroup meetings, training-of-trainers sessions, and routine meetings with the assigned AIDS Institute Contract Manager to support program implementation, address any barriers encountered and share successes.