Frequently Asked Questions for Notice of Special Interest (NOSI): Administrative Supplement Opportunity to Study the Impact of COVID-19 on Global Cancer Prevention and Control

This list of Frequently Asked Questions is meant to help investigators better understand requirements and special circumstances related to the submission of an application to this NOSI. It is not meant to be a comprehensive list. As such, investigators are encouraged to contact their respective Program Officer if they have additional questions.

Eligibility

Q1. Does the parent award need to be cancer-related to be eligible?
A1. Yes, the parent award must be cancer-related and NCI-funded.

Q2. Must the lead PI of the parent grant be the applicant for the supplement?
Q2. No; any PI on an eligible parent award may apply for this supplement, but the application must come from the primary institution.

Q3. Must the lead PI be from a U.S. institution?
A3. No; the lead PI may be from a foreign institution if that is also the institution of the parent grant.

Q4. Is it possible to apply within the first year of the parent grant?
A4. Yes; but it is recommended to discuss this with the program official of the parent grant prior to application submission.

Q5. Are grants with large unobligated balances eligible to apply?
Q5. Grants with large unobligated balances may be eligible. These should be discussed on a case-by-case basis with the Program Officer, grants specialist, and the NCI Center for Global Health scientific contacts for this NOSI before application submission.

Research Scope

Q6. Will projects be considered that focus on cancer sites not included in the parent grant?
A6. Projects with a focus on cancer sites not included in the parent grant will be considered as long as they still meet the requirements of being within the scope of the parent award and an extension of the logical aims. It is strongly recommended that questions of scope be discussed with the program official of the parent grant and NCI Center for Global Health scientific contacts for this NOSI before application submission.

Q7. What is included in the eligibility definition of low-and-middle income countries (LMICs)?
Q7. This definition is inclusive of low-income, lower-middle-income, and upper-middle income countries as defined by the World Bank: https://datahelpdesk.worldbank.org/knowledgebase/articles/906519-world-bank-country-and-lending-groups.

Q8. Can foreign performance sites be added to a project if they are not already included in the parent award?
A8. Foreign performance sites may be added if a letter of support form the institution is included in the application, and inclusion of the new site is feasible within the one-year timeframe of the award. Prior approval

is required from the parent grant's program official if applicant is proposing an additional foreign site in the supplement request.

Application Information
Q9. Which grant application forms should be used for this NOSI?
A9. New NIH F-Forms grant application forms should be used, rather than E-forms as written in the NOSI.

Q10. Which S424, Version F should be reviewed?
A10. All S424 R&R application form instructions are available here: https://grants.nih.gov/grants/how-to-apply-application-guide.html. You may find it helpful to review both the general application instructions (G) as well as the filtered application instructions that align with the award type of your parent grant, if applicable.

Q11. Should applications include an overview of the scope of the parent award?
A11. The scope of the parent award does not need to be detailed in the application, but applications must establish how the project extends the aims of the parent award.

General
Q12. How many supplements will be awarded under this opportunity?
A12. The number of awards issued will depend on the scientific merit of the applications, programmatic priorities, and availability of funds.

Additional links and resources
NIH Grants Application Guide: https://grants.nih.gov/grants/how-to-apply-application-guide.html

PA-20-272 Administrative Supplements Overview and Application Information:
https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/pa-20-272.html

Tips for Success: Accessing the application forms needed for submission:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C5_mio9U0oY&t

Applying Electronically Frequently Asked Questions: https://grants.nih.gov/faqs#/applying-electronically.htm?anchor=question52102

New NIH "FORMS-F" Grant Application Forms and Instructions Coming for Due Dates on or after May 25, 2020: https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-20-026.html

Implementation science definitions and resources: https://cancercontrol.cancer.gov/is

NCI Center for Global Health funding page: https://www.cancer.gov/about-nci/organization/cgh/research-training