

End Hep C SF Request for Proposals (RFP): Assessment of Individuals with Short Stays In San Francisco County Jails Emailed Questions and Answers

Question 1: I work with [a community-based organization], and we are interested in applying to this funding opportunity. Before we do, I see that a component of the assessment is to analyze HCV surveillance data and county admin data. Do you anticipate, then, that the County would be the only applicant who'd be able to do this, or do you expect that the County would enter a data use agreement with an outside organization?

The applicant does not need to be a County agency. However, the applicant must have the capacity to enter into a data use agreement with the San Francisco Department of Public Health and obtain research approval to access the necessary surveillance and administrative data. This may include entering into a data sharing agreement accessing de-identified data. We anticipate that a community-based organization, an individual contractor, a research-based agency, or other non-County applicant could lead this work—provided they have the infrastructure and experience to manage data sharing securely and in compliance with applicable privacy protections.