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Dear Potential Applicant:

You are invited to submit an application to the Pennsylvania Department of Health in accordance with the enclosed Request for Applications (RFA) # 67-28.

A pre-application conference will be held on Wednesday, March 19, 2014 at 9:30 AM in Room 129, Health and Welfare Building, 625 Forster Street, Harrisburg, PA. Since facilities are limited, it is requested that you limit your representation to two individuals. The Health and Welfare Building is a secure building. In order to enter the building you must sign in with the front desk and present identification. Applicant attendance is optional.

All questions regarding this RFA must be directed in writing to Belinda Williams, Public Health Program Administrator, Bureau of Health Planning, Division of Health Professions Development, Pennsylvania Department of Health, Room 1033, Health and Welfare Building, 625 Forster Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120-0701, or by e-mail at belwilliam@pa.gov, no later than Tuesday, March 11, 2014. All questions must include the specific section of the RFA about which the potential applicant is questioning. Answers to all questions will be posted at www.emarketplace.state.pa.us. Click on 'Solicitations' and search for the above RFA number.

Please submit one original and nine copies of your application, (Part 2 of this RFA) in a sealed package to the address below. Your application must arrive in the designated room at the following address no later than 2:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 9, 2014

RFA # 67-28

Director, Division of Contracts
Bureau of Administrative and Financial Services
Pennsylvania Department of Health
Room 824, Health and Welfare Building
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LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED REGARDLESS OF THE REASON.

FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE GRANT ELIGIBLITY REQUIREMENTS AS DEFINED IN RFA #67-28, PART 1, SECTION A. 3, GRANT ELIGIBILITY, PAGES 7-8, WILL RESULT IN REJECTION OF THE APPLICATION. THE APPLICATION WILL NOT BE EVALUATED AND THE APPLICANT WILL BE NOTIFIED IN WRITING OF SAME.

Failure to include a copy of an Internal Revenue Service 501(c)(3) Tax Exempt Verification Letter issued in the name of the applicant organization as proof the applicant's nonprofit status may result in rejection of the application. The application may not be evaluated and the applicant would be notified in writing of same. Refer to RFA #67-28, Part 1, Section B. 1. b), page 8.

Please write "APPLICATION ENCLOSED RFA #67-28" in large block letters on the envelope or overnight/priority mail label.

We expect that the evaluation of applications and the selection of grantees will be completed within eight weeks of the submission due date.

Sincerely,

Terri A. Matio

Director

Bureau of Administrative and Financial Services

Enclosure

Request for Application

Community-Based Health Care Program

RFA Number 67-28

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PART ONE

Community-Based Health Care Program

General Information

Community-Based Health Care Program

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Any grant resulting from this RFA will include certain standard terms and conditions, which will either be attached as paper appendices or incorporated by reference and may be found at http://www.health.state.pa.us/vendors. These terms and conditions are listed below:

- Payment Provisions (Rev. 5/12)
- Standard General Terms and Conditions (Rev. 7/13)
- Audit Requirements (Rev. 7/13)
- Commonwealth Travel and Subsistence Rates (Rev. 4/12)
- Minimum Personal Computer Hardware, Software, and Peripherals Requirements (Rev. 4/12)
- Federal Lobbying Certification and Disclosure (Rev. 12/05)
- Pro-Children Act of 1994 (Rev. 12/05)

A. Information for Applicants

1. Introduction

In May 2013, Act 10 of 2013 became law and established the Community-Based Health Care Program (Program) within the Pennsylvania Department of Health (Department). The purpose of the Program is to expand and improve health care access and services, reduce unnecessary utilization of hospital emergency services and to encourage collaborative relationship among community-based health care clinics, hospitals and other health care providers.

Through this RFA process the Department is soliciting Program applications for grant funding categorized as follows:

- a) Grant Category 1: The development of a new community-based health care clinic.
- b) **Grant Category 2:** The expansion of primary health services at an existing community-based health care clinic.
- c) **Grant Category 3:** The addition or expansion of prenatal, obstetric, postpartum and new born care services at an existing community-based health care clinics.
- d) **Grant Category 4:** The development of alternate health care delivery systems administered by community-based health care clinics to improve services and access to reduce hospital emergency room utilization.
- e) **Grant Category 5:** The implementation of collaborative relationships to enhance transitions of care for patients to ensure timely follow up care for health care clinic patients seen in or admitted to the hospital and to develop referral mechanisms to establish a health clinic medical home for patients seen in the hospital and specialty clinics.

For the purposes of this RFA comprehensive primary health services include basic primary and preventive health services related to the following specialties furnished by physicians, and where appropriate, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, and nurse midwives: family medicine, internal medicine, pediatrics, obstetrics and gynecology. Services may include prenatal and perinatal services; cancer screening; well-child services; immunizations against vaccine preventable diseases; screenings for elevated blood levels, communicable diseases and cholesterol; eye, ear and dental screenings; preventive dental services; family planning services; referrals to other providers of medical services (including medical specialists and mental and substance abuse providers). In addition to the services provided by physicians, physician assistants, nurse practitioners and nurse midwives, the following services may also be included as comprehensive primary health services: General dental services; behavioral and mental health services; pharmaceutical services; patient case management services; services that enable individuals to use health clinic services (such as transportation services, language interpreter services); patient health education services; chronic care and disease management services. For the purposes of this RFA comprehensive primary health care services do not include medical specialty services (such as, but not limited to hospice,

rehabilitation, oncology, rheumatology, endocrinology, gastroenterology, cardiology) or dental specialty services (such as, but not limited to orthodontics, endodontics, periodontics or other dental specialty services).

Organizations and clinics that do not provide basic primary and preventive health services furnished by physicians (and other providers) related to the specialties of family medicine, internal medicine, pediatrics, obstetrics and gynecology are not eligible to apply through this RFA. Examples include general dental clinics, behavioral and mental health clinics and facilities, medical and dental specialty clinics and social and human services agencies.

Funding through this Program is for initial implementation or service expansion that will be sustained by the grantee beyond the grant period. Funding may not be used to sustain existing operations. The overall goal of this funding is to expand and improve community-based health care access and services.

The anticipated grant agreement term is Oct. 1, 2014 to June 30, 2016 subject to the availability of funding.

Applicants applying for Grant Category 1 may not apply for any other grant categories for the proposed health clinic location. All other applicants may apply for funding in each of the Grant Categories 2, 3, 4 and 5 for their current community-based health care clinic. Applicants that own and operate multiple community-based health care clinics located in different communities may apply for funding in each of the Grant Categories 2, 3, 4 and 5 for each different health clinic.

Community-Based Health Centers with a current Category 1 Grant ending on June 30, 2015 are not eligible to submit an application in response to this RFA. Applicants with an existing Category 2, 3, 4 or 5 Community-Based Health Care Grant ending on June 30, 2015 are eligible to submit an application in response to this RFA for a new project only. Newly proposed projects may not expand currently funded Community-Based Health Care Grant projects.

Additional information about how to apply, relevant and specific instructions, and stated preferences regarding applicants are noted and outlined in Section B.

This RFA provides interested organizations with information to prepare and submit applications to the Department. Questions about this RFA can be directed in writing to Belinda Williams, Public Health Program Administrator, Bureau of Health Planning, Division of Health Professions Development, Pennsylvania Department of Health, Room 1033, Health and Welfare Building, 625 Forster Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120-0701 or e-mail address at belwilliam@pa.gov no later than Tuesday, March 11, 2014. Answers to all questions will be posted at www.emarketplace.state.pa.us. Each applicant shall be responsible to monitor the website for new or revised RFA information. The Department shall not be bound by any information that is not either contained within the RFA or formally

issued as an addendum by the Department.

In order to do business with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, providers are required to enroll in the SAP system. Applicants may enroll at www.vendorregistration.state.pa.us/ or by calling toll free at 1-877-435-7363 or locally at 717-346-2676.

2. Availability of Funds

Current state funding is:

- a) Grant Category 1: The development of a new community-based health care clinic: Maximum of \$500,000 for the entire 21 month project period.
- b) Grant Category 2: The expansion of primary health services at an existing community-based health care clinic: Maximum of \$200,000 for the entire 21 month project period.
- c) Grant Category 3: The addition or expansion of prenatal, obstetric, postpartum and newborn care services at an existing community-based health care clinic: Maximum of \$200,000 for the entire 21 month project period.
- **d) Grant Category 4:** The development of alternate health care delivery systems administered by an existing community-based health care clinic to improve services and access to reduce hospital emergency room utilization: Maximum of \$200,000 for the entire 21 month project period.
- e) Grant Category 5: The implementation of collaborative relationships to enhance transitions of care for patients to ensure timely follow up care for health care clinic patients seen in or admitted to the hospital and to develop referral mechanisms to establish a health clinic medical home for patients seen in the hospital and specialty clinics: Maximum of \$50,000 for the entire 21 month project period.

All Grants issued pursuant to this RFA shall include a requirement for a matching commitment of 25 percent of the grant amount which can be in the form of cash or equivalent in-kind service. The matching funds or value of in-kind services for all grant categories shall not exceed 25 percent of grant amount. The source and amount of the matching commitment (including the dollar equivalent of in-kind services) must be identified in the budget portion of the application. Fund raising may not be used for matching commitment. Matching commitment (cash or in-kind) must directly support the proposed project.

All matching commitments must be committed at the time of the grant application via a signed letter(s), included in the additional appendices section of the application. Each letter must be signed by an individual with signatory authority from the organization(s) committing the matching funds or in-kind services. Each letter must state the dollar amount of the commitment (cash or in-kind equivalent) for each budget year of the grant. If the matching commitment is in-kind services, a description of those services related to the proposed project must be included in the letter. Each letter must also note any specific restrictions for the use of match funds in this grant (for example, if the organization providing matching funds requests that those funds be used only for direct

patient care and not for renovations or equipment, this must be noted in the signed letter of commitment). If the applicant is the organization committing the matching funds or in-kind services, the letter must be signed by an officer of the Board of Directors. Any letters that are sent separately from the application will be returned to the sender and will not be accepted.

Projects may not exceed 21 months.

3. Grant Eligibility

APPLICATIONS THAT DO NOT MEET THE FOLLOWING ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS WILL NOT BE REVIEWED AND WILL BE REJECTED.

- a) All applicants must be a community-based health care clinic located in Pennsylvania that provides (or proposes to provide if applying to establish a new community-based health care clinic) comprehensive primary health services as defined in Section A 1 to all patients without regard for the patient's ability to pay.
- b) All applicants must be one of the following:
 - i. Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) or FQHC-Look Alike
 - ii. Certified Rural Health Clinic (RHC)
 - iii. Hospital health clinic: A clinic owned and operated by a hospital or health system that provides outpatient comprehensive primary health services.
 - iv. Free health clinic (that provides services through volunteer and non-volunteer health care providers: A clinic that provides primary health services and does not accept reimbursement for health care services from any third-party payer, which would include reimbursement under any insurance policies or health benefits plans, including Federal or state health benefits programs. The clinic does not charge patients for services provided based on the ability to pay or otherwise. The clinic may accept voluntary donations for the provision of services.
 - v. Nurse managed health care clinic: A clinic that provides primary health services and is managed by a Certified Clinical Nurse Specialist, Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist, Certified Registered Nurse Practitioner or a Certified Nurse Midwife.
- c) All applications must document that the proposed project site location where services will be delivered either:
 - i. Is located within an area that has a **current** federal designation as defined by the U.S. Health Resources and Services Administration as a Primary Care (PC) Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA); a Medically Underserved Area/Population (MUA/P) designation; a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC)/ FQHC-Look Alike or Certified Rural Health Clinic (RHC) with a "facility PC HPSA designation", or
 - ii. Served a minimum of 30 percent low income patients at the location from January 1, 2013 to December 31, 2013. Low income patients include patients in the following categories: Medicaid (MA) patients, Discounted/sliding fee scale patients and No pay patients. (The form to document low income patient profile is found in the Project Impact Section of the Work Statement Template for each application Category

(Appendices 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 of this RFA).

In order to determine the location of the proposed project site relative to currently designated PC HPSAs or MUA/Ps, please contact the Bureau of Health Planning at (717) 772-5298 or refer to the HRSA website: www.hrsa.gov/shortage/ for current PC HPSA designations, MUA/P designations and HPSA/MUA/P criteria and definitions.

B. Application Procedures

1. General

- a) Applications must be received by the Department by the time and date stated in the cover letter.
- b) All applications must include a copy of an Internal Revenue Service 501(c)(3) Tax Exempt Verification Letter issued in the name of the applicant organization as proof of the applicant's nonprofit status. Failure to include this documentation may result in the application being rejected and not evaluated. Should this be the case the applicant will be notified in writing of same.
- c) If it becomes necessary to revise any part of the application guidelines, an amendment will be posted on DGS website.
- d) The decision of the Department with regard to selection of applicants for grant funding is final. The Department reserves the right to reject any and all applications received as a result of this request and to negotiate separately with competing applicants.
- e) Grantees whose applications are selected are not permitted to issue news releases pertaining to this project prior to official written notification of award by the Department review committee. Any subsequent publication or media release issued by the grantee throughout the life of the grant using funding from this grant must acknowledge the Department as the granting agency, and be approved in writing by the Department.

2. Evaluation of Applications

All applications meeting stated requirements in this RFA and received by the designated date and time will be reviewed by a committee of qualified personnel selected by the Department. The Review Committee will recommend applications that most closely meet the evaluation criteria developed by the Department. If the Review Committee needs additional clarification of an application, Division of Health Professions Development staff and staff from the Division of Contracts will schedule an oral presentation and/or assign a due date for the submission of a written clarification.

Grant applications will be reviewed and grant awards will be made in accordance with the following general limitations and conditions, except that the Department may reallocate funds among the grant categories if sufficient qualified grant requests in each category are not received:

a) Not more than 50 percent of available funding will be awarded for expansion of

existing community-based health care clinics and the development of new community-based health care clinics. The Department anticipates awarding approximately 14 grants for expansion of existing community-based health care clinics and the development of new community-based health care clinics.

- b) Not more than 25 percent of available funding will be awarded for improvements in prenatal, obstetric, postpartum and newborn care. The Department anticipates awarding 10 grants in this category.
- c) Not more than 20 percent of available funding will be awarded for improved access to care and reduction of utilization of hospital emergency room services. The Department anticipates awarding eight grants in this category.
- d) Not more than 5 percent of available funding will be awarded for the establishment of collaborative relationships among community-based health care clinics, hospitals and other health care providers. The Department anticipates awarding eight grants in this category.

The number of grants awarded in each category are subject to change.

Not more than 15 percent of available funding will be awarded to applicants within any one city, town, borough or township of this Commonwealth, and not more than 25 percent of the grants awarded pursuant to this RFA may go to FQHCs or FQHC-Look Alikes.

Evaluation criteria used by Review Committee for all Applicants:

- a) Demonstration of understanding and intent of RFA
- b) Soundness of approach
- c) Feasibility
- d) Budget and Budget Justification

3. Awards

Grants will be administered through the Department.

All applicants will receive official written notification of the status of their application from the Department. Unsuccessful applicants may request a debriefing. This request must be in writing and must be received by the Division of Health Professions Development within 30 calendar days of the written official notification of the status of the application. The Division of Health Professions Development will determine the time and place for the debriefing. The debriefing will be conducted individually by Division of Health Professions Development staff. Comparison of applications will not be provided. Applicants will not be given any information regarding the evaluation other than the position of their application in relation to all other applications and the strengths and weaknesses of their individual application.

4. Reporting Requirements

a) All Grantees shall be expected to submit a written quarterly report of progress,

issues and activities, and, at a minimum, identify if activities are proceeding according to the project plan, and explain any deviations from the project plan. The specific format for these reports shall be provided prior to the start of the Grant Agreement. Any changes to the scope or methodology of the project during the term of the Grant Agreement must be approved in writing by the Department.

- b) All Grantees shall submit a final written report within 45 days after the close of the Grant Agreement. The final report shall include the last three months of the grant period, shall provide an over-all summary of the project, and shall include the total number of patients and patient visits during the term of the grant.
- c) All Grantees shall request written approval from the Department prior to any changes in key personnel.

C. Application Instructions and Required Format

1. Application Instructions

The following is a list of requirements.

- a) The Applicant must submit an Original (<u>clearly labeled as "Original"</u>) and nine complete copies (each <u>clearly labeled as "Copy"</u>) of the application (Part Two of this RFA).
- b) The application must be in a sealed package.
- c) If Applicant is submitting more than one application each application must be submitted in a separate package.
- d) The application must be received by mail or in person at the Division of Contracts by the date and time specified in the cover letter. Applicants mailing applications should allow sufficient mail delivery time to ensure timely receipt. (Late applications will be rejected, regardless of the reason).
- e) The application must be submitted using the format described in Subsection 2, below-Application Format.
- f) The Certifications Form must be completed and signed by an official authorized to bind the organization to the application. Use the Certifications Form attached to this RFA.

Applicants are strongly encouraged to be brief and clear in the presentation of ideas.

2. Application Format

Applicants must follow the format as described below to complete Part Two of this RFA. Applications must be typewritten on 8 ½" by 11" paper, with a font size no smaller than 12 points and margins of at least 1 inch.

a) Applicant Information Form – Please complete the form in its entirety. This form is used to provide identifying information and to ensure completeness of the application. When listing the applicant's name, please make certain the full and correct legal name appears. Documentation of location of services must be included. Use the Applicant Information Form attached to this RFA.

- **b)** Certifications Form The Certifications Form must be completed and signed by an official authorized to bind the organization to the application. Use the Certifications Form attached to this RFA.
- c) 501(c)(3) Form Applicant must document its status as not-for-profit. A not-for-profit organization must submit a copy of its Internal Revenue Service 501(c)(3) Tax Exempt Verification Letter. If a not-for-profit organization is a unit of a foundation or corporation, and is not a separate legal entity, the application, the 501(c)(3) and federal Employer Identification Number (EIN) must be that of the foundation or corporation. If the applicant is a separate legal entity, even if it is a subsidiary of a parent organization, the applicantion, 501(c)(3), and federal EIN must be that of the applicant itself. The applicant for the Community-Based Health Care Program funds must have the fiscal and administrative ability to receive funds and to carry out the purpose of the grant. It will be the applicant's responsibility to execute the Grant Agreement and assume the obligations included in that Agreement.
- d) Work Statement The Work Statement may not exceed 20 single spaced pages, 12 font type, 1 inch margins, single sided, and numbered consecutively starting with Page 1 (the budget justification document and the documents in the Additional Appendices Section are not included in the 20 page limit of the Work Statement). Applications for each category must include all of the information as required in the applicable work statement format attachment. All information supplied must be separated according to work statement topic in the work statement format, clearly labeled by topic, and submitted in the order identified in the work statement format. Use the work statement format for the applicable grant category for which this application is being submitted. The following work statement formats are found in the appendices to this RFA:
 - i. Category 1 Work Statement Format Appendix 1
 - ii. Category 2 Work Statement Format Appendix 2
 - iii. Category 3 Work Statement Format Appendix 3
 - iv. Category 4 Work Statement Format Appendix 4
 - v. Category 5 Work Statement Format Appendix 5

D. APPENDICES

- 1. Category 1 Work Statement Format
- 2. Category 2 Work Statement Format
- 3. Category 3 Work Statement Format
- 4. Category 4 Work Statement Format
- 5. Category 5 Work Statement Format
- 6. Bureau of Health Planning
 Discounted Sliding Fee Requirements
- 7. Patient and Patient Visit Instructions

Category 1 Work Statement Format

Grant Category 1: The development of a new community-based health care clinic.

The Work Statement may not exceed 20 single spaced pages, 12 font type, 1 inch margins, single sided, and numbered consecutively starting with Page #1 (the budget justification document and the documents in the Additional Appendices Section are not included in the 20 page limit of the Work Statement). Application must include all of the information as required in the subsections below. All information supplied must be separated according to topic, clearly labeled by topic, and submitted in the order identified in the RFA.

1. Topic: Project Abstract (maximum of one page):

Summary of entire application must include:

- a) Succinct description of applicant organization
- b) Succinct description of population to be served
- c) Succinct description of proposed new community-based health care clinic and services to be provided
- d) Succinct description of how state funds and matching commitment will be applied in the project
- e) Geographical location of proposed new health care clinic with either:
 - i. Identification of PC HPSA or MUA/P to be served or
 - ii. Identification of significant low income population that the health care clinic will serve

2. Topic: Map of Service Area (maximum of one page):

A map of the proposed clinic service area identifying the HPSA or MUA/P to be served (or the poverty levels of the population residing within the service area) must be included. Ensure that map is legible on all copies of the application.

3. Topic: Delivery of Primary Health Services:

A narrative description of the proposed project must include:

- a) Description of community need for new community-based health care clinic
- b) Description of comprehensive primary health services to be provided by new health care clinic
- c) Description of the population to be served
- d) Description of how the expanded services will increase access to care for the community to be served
- e) Description of how total budget request (grant funds and matching commitment) will be used
- f) Identification of the proposed director for this project including a brief description of the director's competencies related to the project

- g) Description of new and existing staff positions to be utilized in implementing this project as well as any specialized training or licenses or both required for the specific positions
- h) Resumes of staff persons or position descriptions for vacant positions working directly on the proposed project must be included in the Additional Appendices section of the application

4. Topic: Workplan:

The workplan included in the application should be reflective of the proposed project for the entire grant term from Oct. 1, 2014 through June 30, 2016:

Use the following format for the project workplan

- a) Identify Measurable Objectives
- b) Identify the Methodology of Measure for each Objective
- c) Identify activities to achieve each Objective
- d) Identify the person and the title of the position responsible for each activity

| TIME PERIOD | MEASUREABLE OBJECTIVE (S) | METHOD OF MEASURE | ACTIVITIES TO ACHIEVE OBJECTIVES | RESPONSIBLE PERSON/POSITION (FOR EACH ACTIVITY) |
|----------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|--|---|
| Oct, Nov, Dec 2014 | | | | |
| Jan, Feb, March 2015 | | | | |
| Apr, May, June 2015 | | | | |
| July, Aug, Sept 2015 | | | | |
| Oct, Nov, Dec 2015 | | | | |
| Jan, Feb, March 2016 | | | | |
| Apr, May, June 2016 | | | | |

5. Topic: Access:

- a) The narrative must include a statement of intent to provide services to all, regardless of ability to pay and a written policy to this effect <u>must</u> be included in the Additional Appendices section of the application
- b) The narrative must include a statement that the organization is enrolled in (or will enroll) and remain enrolled throughout the grant period in:
 - i. Medicare
 - ii. Medical Assistance (MA)
 - iii. Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)
- c) A discounted/sliding fee scale and a Board approved policy to implement the discounted/sliding fee scale <u>must</u> be included in the Additional Appendices section of the application

- i. The discounted/sliding fee scale <u>must</u> be developed using current Federal poverty guidelines with discounts to those with income up to 200 percent of poverty
- for those unable to pay, provisions that assure no patient will be denied service based on inability to pay, a full discount or only a nominal charge for individuals or families at or below 100 percent of the poverty rate, the process for the Board to review and update of the discounted/sliding fee scale and the policy and process for how patients are made aware of the discounted/sliding fee scale and the process for determining nominal fees
- iii. The only exception to the requirements that the applicant be enrolled in public insurance (Medicare, MA, and CHIP) and include with the application a discounted/sliding fee scale is for clinics that provide services to patients at no charge (free clinics), in which case the application shall include a statement that individuals having MA or Medicare insurance but who document having no access to a primary health care provider accepting these insurances will receive primary health services at the free clinic until such time that a provider participating in the applicable insurance program (MA or Medicare) is available. A Board approved policy regarding the provision of primary health services at no charge to MA and Medicare covered individuals who do not have access to participating primary health care providers must be included in the Additional Appendices Section of the application.

6. Topic: Project Impact:

Complete the tables below. Use definitions of "patient" and "patient visits" and instructions for counting both that are found in Appendix 7.

TABLE 1 – PATIENT NUMBERS: Provide projections of the total number of unduplicated patients during each year of the project period by coverage type in the following format.

| Coverage Type | Proposed # Patients (10/01/14- 6/30/15) | Proposed # Patients (7/01/15- 6/30/16) |
|---|---|--|
| Number of patients served with Medicare | | |
| Number of patients served with Medical Assistance (MA) | | |
| Number of patients served with Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) | | |
| Number of patients served not charged due to inability to pay | | |

| Number of patients served that could not | |
|--|--|
| pay full amount but paid something | |
| (discounted/sliding fee scale) | |
| Number of patients with full | |
| pay/commercial insurance | |
| TOTAL Number of Patients | |
| | |

TABLE 2 – PATIENT VISITS: Provide projections of the total number of patient visits during each year of the project period by coverage type in the following format.

| Coverage Type | Proposed # Patient Visits (10/01/14- 6/30/15) | Proposed # Patient Visits (7/01/15-6/30/16) |
|--|---|---|
| Number of visits for patients with Medicare | | |
| Number of visits for patients with Medical Assistance (MA) | | |
| Number of visits for patients served with Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) | | |
| Number of visits for patients not charged due to inability to pay | | |
| Number of visits for patients that could not pay full amount but paid something (discounted/sliding fee scale) | | |
| Number of visits for patients with full pay/commercial insurance | | |
| TOTAL Number of Patient Visits | | |

7. Topic: Capacity to Implement:

Description of applicant's capacity to implement project:

- a) Description of applicant's governance structure
- b) Description of applicant's organizational structure
- c) Description of proposed clinical staffing at new clinic
- d) Description of proposed administrative and support staffing at new clinic
- e) Description of applicant's fiscal status demonstrating capacity to implement (Note: Grant funds provide reimbursement for expenditures; applicant must describe plan to pay for costs incurred prior to reimbursement.)
- f) Description of Project Director's role in the supervision and administration of the project
- g) Description of proposed site to include:
 - i. Address of proposed site
 - ii. Ownership of property
 - iii. Status of any lease agreement (or potential lease agreement)

- iv. Conditions necessary for the site to be operational
- v. Proposed date for opening clinic
- h) Identification of renovations or building modifications required, if applicable. Provide contractor estimated cost, and proposed timeline for completion of renovations (see Allowable Use of Funds on pages 18, 19 and 20 of this Attachment)
- i) Detailed plan for practitioner recruitment and retention

8. Topic: Sustainability Plans:

Description of plans to sustain project beyond the grant period to include:

- a) **<u>Detailed</u>** plans for maintaining long-term operation of the project:
- b) Project growth projections (facilities, personnel, services)
- c) Funding sources
- d) Fiscal plan

9. Additional Appendices (Attachment X):

The following must be included:

- a) Letters of financial commitment for matching requirement (cash or dollar equivalent in-kind services)
- b) Letter of approval to use other grant funds as matching funds, if applicable
- c) Resumes of key staff for the project
- d) Position description for new or vacant key positions
- e) Copy of discounted/sliding fee scale and board approved policy to ensure services to those unable to pay
- f) Contractor estimate for office renovations, if applicable

DO NOT INCLUDE LETTERS OF SUPPORT.

10. Budget Template (Attachment XI):

Use the downloadable format to present your budget request. Instructions regarding completion of the budget can be found in the last worksheet of the downloadable Excel budget file.

The anticipated Grant Agreement term is Oct. 1, 2014 to June 30, 2016. The overall 21 month budget for the application shall not exceed \$500,000. Your budget needs to contain an Overall Summary in addition to a Summary with Budget Details for each year.

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| | | Amounts |
| Overall Summary | Oct. 1, 2014 to June 30, 2016 | \$500,000 |
| Year 1 Summary | Oct. 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015 | \$250,000 |
| Year 2 Summary | July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016 | \$250,000 |

11. Budget Justification (Attachment XII):

The Budget Justification must be a narrative of the budget, by category, justifying budget requests and explaining in detail the method which was used to arrive at specific budget amounts. The Budget Justification must relate to the workplan objectives and activities (Section 4 above) to include:

- a) explanation of personnel expenses
- b) explanation and justification for equipment, supplies, and office renovations
- c) written estimates for equipment, supplies, and for any renovations included in this project
- d) identification of consultants and contractors with written estimates

12. Budget Definitions:

- a) **Personnel:** The personnel section shall identify each position by job title, hourly rate, and the number of hours per year allocated to the project. Fringe benefits are to be shown as a separate line item by percentage and shall include a detailed listing of the benefits being covered
- b) **Consultant Services:** This budget category shall identify each consultant by classification, hourly rate and number of hours to be utilized under this grant
- c) Subcontractor Services: This budget category shall identify each subcontractor to be utilized under this grant. If the subcontractor is not known at this time, please indicate by saying "To Be Determined" along with a description of work to be performed.
- d) Patient Services: This budget category is not applicable to this RFA.
- e) **Equipment:** This budget category shall reflect the actual or projected cost of any equipment equal to or greater than \$5,000 needed to support this project. Justification for the purchase of any equipment must be included. Requested equipment must be directly related to the proposed project.
- f) **Supplies:** This budget category shall reflect expected costs for medical or dental supplies or both, as well as for general office supplies including personal computers and facsimile machines valued at less than \$5,000, needed to support this project.
- g) **Travel:** This budget category shall only include anticipated expenditures for mileage between clinical sites included in this project for the provision of direct patient services.
- h) Other: This budget category shall be used to anticipate expenditures that do not fit into any of the other budget categories such as telephone, printing, postage, office renovations, malpractice insurance and rental costs. Indirect costs are also listed in this category; however, they may not be paid for from grant funding and therefore should not be included.

13. Allowable Use of Funds:

Requested funding must be **directly** related to the specified goal of the project which is to expand and improve health care access and services at community-based health care clinics serving underserved populations. Moreover, requested funding, as itemized in the Budget Justification, must relate directly to workplan

objectives and activities (Section 4 above.)

Grant funds may only be used for the following:

a) Primary Health Care Practitioner, Administrative and Support Salaries and Fringe Benefits:

Physician Specialties: Family Medicine, General Internal Medicine,

General Pediatrics, Psychiatrist, Obstetrics/Gynecology

Physician Assistant-Certified (PA-C)

Certified Registered Nurse Practitioner (CRNP)

Certified Nurse Midwife (CNM)

Registered Nurse (RN)

Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)

Dentist

Registered Dental Hygienist (RDH)

Expanded Function Dental Assistant (EFDA)

Public Health Dental Hygiene Practitioner

Dental Assistants

Psychologists (Licensed)

Licensed Professional Counselors

Licensed Clinical Social Workers

Marriage and Family Therapists (Licensed)

Pharmacists (Licensed)

Pharmacy Technicians

Medical Assistants

Medical Interpreters

Executive Director

Project Director

Project Coordinator

Outreach or Education Coordinator

Office Manager

Accountants

Billing Office staff

Front Office staff

Maintenance staff

- b) Medical, Dental, Pharmacy, Behavioral Health Equipment and Supplies (consistent with proposed services)
- c) Other Costs Directly Related to the Provision of Services

Travel-mileage between clinical sites for the provision of services detailed in the workplan

Public transportation expenses that enable patients to utilize community-based health care clinic services

Office renovations (modification of interior office space to accommodate more equipment; additional patient exam rooms/dental operatories)

External additions or modifications to an existing building to accommodate a health clinic

Copier
Computer/Printer
Telephone/Fax Machine
Rental Costs
Office Supplies
Electronic medical record technology and equipment

In order to ensure the most appropriate use of funds, there are certain categories of **costs that will not be funded**:

- a) Continuation of a project funded with state funds or from other Department of Health grants or contracts.
- b) Funding to supplant funds currently being used to support similar activities.
- c) Salaries for existing positions unless the funds requested are to provide new or expanded services by an existing position and there will be an increase in the salary and hours for that position.

The Department recognizes that certain costs such as those listed below, may be a necessary part of the project, and although these costs cannot be paid with grant funds, they may be included in the budget and paid for by a Community-based Health Care Program grantee from its matching funds or in-kind commitment. This must be explained in detail in the budget narrative, and directly related to the work statement objectives. Matching funds and in-kind commitments must be used for costs directly incurred to support the proposed project.

Applicants may not use Grant Funds for the following:

- a) Loan Repayment/Scholarships
- b) Real Estate purchases
- c) Construction of new buildings
- d) Ambulance/ Medical Transportation services
- e) Advertising costs
- f) Costs for direct patient care, i.e. hospital bills, lab fees, pharmacy fees, x-ray fees, phlebotomy fees, prosthodontic fees, etc.
- g) Vehicle purchases
- h) Attendance at conferences, symposiums, meetings
- i) Purchase of journals, magazines, other publications
- i) Provider recruitment costs

14. Matching Commitment Requirements:

- a) Matching commitment must be in the ratio of one dollar of matching commitment for each four dollars of Commonwealth funding and **shall not exceed this ratio**.
- b) Matching commitment may be in the form of cash or dollar equivalent in-kind services.
- c) Matching commitment requirement applies to each budget year as well as the overall grant period.

- d) The source and amount of the matching commitment (including the dollar equivalent in-kind services) must be identified on the Budget Summary form for the overall grant period and each budget year.
- e) Fund raising may not be used for matching commitment.
- f) Matching commitments (cash or dollar equivalent in-kind services) must be committed at the time of the grant application via a signed letter of financial commitment from an individual with signatory authority from the organization(s) providing the matching funds or dollar equivalent in-kind services. Letters must state the dollar amount of the commitment (cash or in-kind equivalent) for each budget year of the grant. If the matching commitment is in-kind services, a description of those services related to the proposed project must be included in the letter. Letters must also note any specific restrictions for the use of match funds in this grant (for example, if the organization providing matching funds requests that those funds be used only for direct patient care and not for renovations or equipment, this must be noted in the signed letter of commitment).
- g) If the applicant is the organization providing matching commitment the letter of commitment <u>must</u> be signed by an officer of the Board of Directors.
- h) Matching commitments must be used for direct costs incurred to support the proposed project and may not be used to allocate existing expenses to this project. For example, if the salary of the Executive Director will be funded at \$1,000 per year from matching funds, the \$1,000 must represent a sum of money being paid to the Director over and above the Executive Director's current salary and must correspond to work related to the project being funded.
- i) Federal, state, foundation or other grant funds may be used **to meet the matching commitment requirement.** However, a letter from the entity supplying the other grant funds approving the use of those funds for the matching commitment requirement of this grant must be included in the Additional Appendices section of the application.

Category 2 Work Statement Format

Grant Category 2: The expansion of primary health services at an existing community-based health care clinic.

The Work Statement may not exceed 20 single spaced pages, 12 font type, 1 inch margins, single sided, and numbered consecutively starting with Page #1 (the budget justification document and the documents in the Additional Appendices Section are not included in the 20 page limit of the Work Statement). Application must include all of the information as required in the sub-sections below. All information supplied must be separated according to topic, clearly labeled by topic, and submitted in the order identified in the RFA.

1. Topic: Project Abstract (maximum of one page):

Summary of entire application must include:

- a) Succinct description of applicant organization
- b) Succinct description of population served
- c) Succinct description of proposed expanded primary health services at an existing community-based health care clinic
- d) Succinct description of how state funds and matching commitment will be applied in the project
- e) Geographical location of health care clinic with either:
 - i. Identification of PC HPSA or MUA/P located in or serving, or
 - ii. Identification of significant low income population that the health care clinic serves

2. Topic: Map of Service Area (maximum of one page):

A map of the clinic service area identifying the HPSA or MUA/P served (or the poverty levels of the population) must be included. Ensure that map is legible on all copies of the application.

3. Topic: Delivery of Primary Health Services:

A narrative description of the proposed project must include:

- a) Description of current primary health services provided by health care clinic
- b) Description of community need for expanded health care access and services
- c) Description of expanded services to be added through proposed project
- d) Description of the population served
- e) Description of how the expanded services will increase access to care for the population served
- f) Description of how total budget request (grant funds and matching commitment) will be used
- g) Identification of the proposed director for this project including a brief description of the director's competencies related to the project

- h) Description of other existing staff positions to be utilized in administering this project. Resumes of existing staff persons or position descriptions for vacant positions working directly on the proposed project must be included in the Additional Appendices section of the application
- i) Description of the job responsibilities of each new position proposed in the project as well as any specialized training or licenses or both required for the specific positions. Position descriptions of proposed staff positions must be included in the Additional Appendices section of the application

4. Topic: Workplan:

The workplan included in the application should be reflective of the proposed project for the entire grant term from Oct. 1, 2014 through June 30, 2016: Use the following format for the project workplan

- a) Identify Measurable Objectives
- b) Identify the Methodology of Measure for each Objective
- c) Identify activities to achieve each Objective
- d) Identify the person and the title of the position responsible for each activity

| TIME PERIOD | MEASUREABLE OBJECTIVE (S) | METHOD OF MEASURE | ACTIVITIES TO ACHIEVE OBJECTIVES | RESPONSIBLE PERSON/POSITION (FOR EACH ACTIVITY) |
|----------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|--|---|
| Oct, Nov, Dec 2014 | | | | |
| Jan, Feb, March 2015 | | | | |
| Apr, May, June 2015 | | | | |
| July, Aug, Sept 2015 | | | | |
| Oct, Nov, Dec 2015 | | | | |
| Jan, Feb, March 2016 | | | | |
| Apr, May, June 2016 | | | | |

5. Topic: Access:

- a) The narrative must include a statement of intent to provide services to all, regardless of ability to pay and a written policy to this effect <u>must</u> be included in the Additional Appendices section of the application.
- b) The narrative must include a statement that the organization is enrolled in (or will enroll) and remain enrolled throughout the grant period in:
 - i. Medicare
 - ii. Medical Assistance (MA)
 - iii. Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)

- c) A discounted/sliding fee scale and a Board approved policy to implement the discounted/sliding fee scale <u>must</u> be included in the Additional Appendices section of the application.
 - i. The discounted/sliding fee scale <u>must</u> be developed using current Federal poverty guidelines with discounts to those with income up to 200 percent of poverty.
 - ii. The Board approved policy <u>must</u> include a "**no pay" or "\$0 fee" option** for those unable to pay, provisions that assure no patient will be denied service based on inability to pay, a full discount or only a nominal charge for individuals or families at or below 100 percent of the poverty rate, the process for the Board review and update of the discounted/sliding fee scale and the policy and process of how patients are made aware of the discounted/sliding fee scale and the process for determining nominal fees.
 - iii. The only exception to the requirements that the applicant be enrolled in public insurance (Medicare, MA, and CHIP) and include with the application a discounted/sliding fee scale is for clinics that provide services to patients at no charge (free clinics), in which case the application shall include a statement that individuals having MA or Medicare insurance but who document having no access to a primary health care provider accepting these insurances will receive primary health services at the free clinic until such time that a provider participating in the applicable insurance program (MA or Medicare) is available. A Board approved policy regarding the provision of primary health services at no charge to MA and Medicare covered individuals who do not have access to participating primary health care providers must be included in the Additional Appendices Section of the application.

6. Topic: Project Impact:

Complete the tables below. Use definitions of "patient" and "patient visits" and instructions for counting both that are found in Appendix 7. The applicant should provide both existing and proposed patient numbers and patient visits.

TABLE 1 – PATIENT NUMBERS: Provide current number of <u>unduplicated</u> patients and projections of the total number of unduplicated patients during each year of the project period by coverage type in the following format. *If the location of the proposed site is not in a HPSA or MUA/P, then the total sum of Rows 2, 4, and 5, columns 1 and 2 must be at least 30 percent of total patients served.

| Coverage Type | Current # Patients (1/01/ 13-12/31/13) | Percent Patients Served (1/01/ 13-12/31/13) | Proposed # Patients (10/01/14- 6/30/15) | Proposed # Patients (7/01/15- 6/30/16) |
|---|--|---|---|--|
| Number of patients served with Medicare | | | | |

| Number of patients served with Medical Assistance (MA)* | |
|---|--|
| Number of patients served with Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) | |
| Number of patients served not charged due to inability to pay* | |
| Number of patients served that could not pay full | |
| amount but paid something (discounted/sliding fee scale)* | |
| Number of patients with full pay/commercial insurance | |
| TOTAL Number of Patients | |

TABLE 2 – PATIENT VISITS: Provide current number of patient visits and projections of the total number of patient visits during each year of the project period by coverage type in the following format.

| Coverage Type | Current # Patient Visits (1/01/13- 12/31/13) | Proposed # Patient Visits (10/01/14- 6/30/15) | Proposed # Patient Visits (7/01/15- 6/30/16) |
|--|--|---|--|
| Number of visits for patients with Medicare | | | |
| Number of visits for patients with Medical Assistance (MA) | | | |
| Number of visits for patients served with Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) | | | |
| Number of visits for patients not charged due to inability to pay | | | |
| Number of visits for patients that could not pay full amount but paid something (discounted/sliding fee scale) | | | |
| Number of visits for patients with full pay/commercial insurance | | | |
| TOTAL Number of Patient Visits | | | |

7. Topic: Capacity to Implement:

Description of applicant's capacity to implement project:

- a) Description of applicant's governance structure
- b) Description of applicant's organizational structure
- c) Description of current clinical staffing
- d) Description of current administrative and support staffing
- e) Description of applicant's fiscal status demonstrating capacity to implement (Note: Grant funds provide reimbursement for expenditures; applicant must describe plan to pay for costs incurred prior to reimbursement)
- f) Description of Project Director's role in the supervision and administration of the project
- g) Description of site to include:
 - i. Address of site
 - ii. Ownership of property
 - iii. Status of any lease agreement
- h) Identification of clinic renovations required, if applicable. Provide contractor estimated cost, and proposed timeline for completion of clinic renovations (see Allowable Use of Funds on pages 27, 28 and 29 of this Attachment)
- i) Detailed plan for practitioner recruitment and retention

8. Topic: Sustainability Plans:

Description of plans to sustain project beyond the grant period to include <u>detailed</u> plans for maintaining long-term operation of the project:

- a) Project growth projections (facilities, personnel, services)
- b) Funding sources
- c) Fiscal plan

9. Additional Appendices (Attachment X):

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- b) Letter of approval to use other grant funds as matching funds, if applicable
- c) Resumes of key staff for the project
- d) Position description for new or vacant key positions
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DO NOT INCLUDE LETTERS OF SUPPORT.

10. Budget Template (Attachment XI):

Use the downloadable format to present your budget request. Instructions regarding completion of the budget can be found in the last worksheet of the downloadable Excel budget file.

The anticipated Grant Agreement term is Oct. 1, 2014 to June 30, 2016. The overall 21 month budget for the application shall not exceed \$200,000. Your

budget needs to contain an Overall Summary in addition to a Summary with Budget Details for each year.

| | | Maximum |
|-----------------|-------------------------------|-----------|
| | | Amounts |
| Overall Summary | Oct.1, 2014 to June 30, 2016 | \$200,000 |
| Year 1 Summary | Oct.1, 2014 to June 30, 2015 | \$100,000 |
| Year 2 Summary | July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016 | \$100,000 |

11. Budget Justification (Attachment XII):

The Budget Justification must be a narrative of the budget, by category, justifying budget requests and explaining in detail the method which was used to arrive at specific budget amounts. The Budget Justification must relate to the workplan objectives and activities (Section 4 above) to include:

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- c) written estimates for equipment, supplies, and for any clinic renovations included in this project
- d) identification of consultants and contractors with written estimates

12. Budget Definitions:

- a) **Personnel:** The personnel section shall identify each position by job title, hourly rate, and the number of hours per year allocated to the project. Fringe benefits are to be shown as a separate line item by percentage and shall include a detailed listing of the benefits being covered.
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- f) **Supplies:** This budget category shall reflect expected costs for medical or dental supplies or both, as well as for general office supplies including personal computers and facsimile machines valued at less than \$5,000, needed to support this project.
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- h) Other: This budget category shall be used to anticipate expenditures that do not fit into any of the other budget categories such as telephone, printing,

postage, office renovations, malpractice insurance and rental costs. Indirect costs are also listed in this category; however, they may not be paid for from grant funding and therefore should not be included.

13. Allowable Use of Funds:

Requested funding must be **directly** related to the specified goal of the project which is to expand and improve health care access and services at community based health care clinics serving underserved populations. Moreover, requested funding, as itemized in the Budget Justification, must relate directly to workplan objectives and activities (Section 4 above.)

Grant funds may only be used for the following:

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General Pediatrics, Psychiatrist, Obstetrics/Gynecology

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Certified Registered Nurse Practitioner (CRNP)

Certified Nurse Midwife (CNM)

Registered Nurse (RN)

Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)

Dentist

Registered Dental Hygienist (RDH)

Expanded Function Dental Assistant (EFDA)

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Psychologists (Licensed)

Licensed Professional Counselors

Licensed Clinical Social Workers

Marriage and Family Therapists (Licensed)

Pharmacists (Licensed)

Pharmacy Technicians

Medical Assistants

Medical Interpreters

Project Director

Project Coordinator

Outreach or Education Coordinator

- b) Medical, Dental, Pharmacy, Behavioral Health Equipment and Supplies (consistent with proposed expansion of primary health services)
- c) Other Costs Directly Related to the Provision of Services

Travel-mileage between clinical sites for the provision of services detailed in the workplan

Public transportation expenses that enable patients to utilize community-based health care clinic services

Clinic renovations (modification of interior clinic space to accommodate more equipment or additional patient services or both)

Copier

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Telephone/Fax Machine

Rental Costs

Office Supplies

Electronic medical record technology and equipment

In order to ensure the most appropriate use of funds, there are certain categories of **costs that will not be funded**:a) Continuation of a project funded with state

funds or from other Department contracts

of Health grants or

- b) Funding to supplant funds currently being used to support similar activities
- c) Salaries for existing positions unless the funds requested are to provide new or expanded services by an existing position and there will be an increase in the salary and hours for that position

The Department recognizes that certain costs, such as those listed below, may be a necessary part of the project, and although these costs cannot be paid with grant funds, they may be included in the budget and paid for by a Community Based Health Care Program grantee from its matching funds or in-kind commitment. This must be explained in detail in the budget narrative, and directly related to the work statement objectives. Matching funds and in-kind commitments must be used for costs directly incurred to support the proposed project.

Applicants may not use Grant Funds for the following:

- a) Loan Repayment/Scholarships
- b) Real Estate purchases
- c) Construction of new buildings
- d) Ambulance/ Medical Transportation services
- e) Advertising costs
- f) Costs for direct patient care, i.e. hospital bills, lab fees, pharmacy fees, x-ray fees, phlebotomy fees, prosthodontic fees, etc.
- g) Vehicle purchases
- h) Attendance at conferences, symposiums, meetings
- i) Purchase of journals, magazines, other publication
- j) Provider recruitment costs

14. Matching Commitment Requirements:

- a) Matching commitment must be in the ratio of one dollar of matching commitment for each four dollars of Commonwealth funding and **shall not exceed this ratio**.
- b) Matching commitment may be in the form of cash or dollar equivalent in-kind services.

- c) Matching commitment requirement applies to each budget year as well as the overall grant period.
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- h) Matching commitments must be used for direct costs incurred to support the proposed project and may not be used to allocate existing expenses to this project. For example, if the salary of the Executive Director will be funded at \$1,000 per year from matching funds, the \$1,000 must represent a sum of money being paid to the Director over and above the Executive Director's current salary and must correspond to work related to the project being funded.
- i) Federal, state, foundation or other grant funds may be used to **meet the matching commitment requirement**. However, a letter from the entity supplying the other grant funds approving the use of those funds for the matching commitment requirement of this grant must be included in the Additional Appendices section of the application.

Category 3 Work Statement Format

Grant Category 3: The addition or expansion of prenatal, obstetric, postpartum and new born care services at an existing community-based health care clinic.

The Work Statement may not exceed 20 single spaced pages, 12 font type, 1 inch margins, single sided, and numbered consecutively starting with Page #1 (the budget justification document and the documents in the Additional Appendices Section are not included in the 20 page limit of the Work Statement). Application must include all of the information as required in the subsections below. All information supplied must be separated according to topic, clearly labeled by topic, and submitted in the order identified in the RFA.

1. Topic: Project Abstract (maximum of one page):

Summary of entire application must include:

- a) Succinct description of applicant organization
- b) Succinct description of population served
- c) Succinct description of proposed expansion of prenatal, obstetric, postpartum and newborn care at an existing community-based health care clinic
- d) Succinct description of how state funds and matching commitment will be applied in the project
- e) Geographical location of health care clinic with either:
 - i. Identification of PC HPSA or MUA/P located in or serving, or
 - ii. Identification of significant low income population that the health care clinic serves

2. Topic: Map of Service Area (maximum of one page):

A map of the clinic service area identifying the HPSA or MUA/P served (or the poverty levels of the population) must be included. Ensure that map is legible on all copies of the application.

3. Topic: Delivery of Primary Health Services:

A narrative description of the proposed project must include:

- a) Description of current primary health services provided by health care clinic
- b) Description of community needs for expanded prenatal, obstetric, postpartum and newborn care services
- c) Description of expanded services to be added through proposed project
- d) Description of the population served
- e) Description of how the expanded services will increase access to care for the population served
- f) Description of how total budget request (grant funds and matching commitment) will be used
- g) Identification of the proposed director for this project including a brief description of the director's competencies related to the project

- h) Description of other existing staff positions to be utilized in administering this project. Resumes of existing staff persons or position descriptions for vacant positions working directly on the proposed project must be included in the Additional Appendices section of the application
- i) Description of the job responsibilities of each new position proposed in the project as well as any specialized training and/or licenses required for the specific positions. Position descriptions of proposed staff positions must be included in the Additional Appendices section of the application

4. Topic: Workplan:

The workplan included in the application should be reflective of the proposed project for the entire grant term from Oct. 1, 2014 to June 30, 2016: Use the following format for the project workplan.

- a) Identify Measurable Objectives
- b) Identify the Methodology of Measure for each Objective
- c) Identify activities to achieve each Objective
- d) Identify the person and the title of the position responsible for each activity

| TIME PERIOD | MEASUREABLE OBJECTIVE (S) | METHOD OF MEASURE | ACTIVITIES TO ACHIEVE OBJECTIVES | RESPONSIBLE PERSON/POSITION (FOR EACH ACTIVITY) |
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| Oct, Nov, Dec 2014 | | | | |
| Jan, Feb, March 2015 | | | | |
| Apr, May, June 2015 | | | | |
| July, Aug, Sept 2015 | | | | • |
| Oct, Nov, Dec 2015 | | | | |
| Jan, Feb, March 2016 | | | | |
| Apr, May, June 2016 | | | | |

5. Topic: Access:

- a) The narrative must include a statement of intent to provide services to all, regardless of ability to pay and a written policy to this effect <u>must</u> be included in the Additional Appendices section of the application.
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 - i. The discounted/sliding fee scale <u>must</u> be developed using current Federal poverty guidelines with discounts to those with income up to 200 percent of poverty.
 - ii. The Board approved policy <u>must</u> include a "**no pay**" **or** "**\$0 fee**" **option** for those unable to pay, provisions that assure no patient will be denied service based on inability to pay, a full discount or only a nominal charge for individuals or families at or below 100 percent of the poverty rate, the process for the Board review and update of the discounted/sliding fee scale and the policy and process of how patients are made aware of the discounted/sliding fee scale and the process for determining nominal fees.
 - iii. The only exception to the requirements that the applicant be enrolled in public insurance (Medicare, MA, and CHIP) and include with the application a discounted/sliding fee scale is for clinics that provide services to patients at no charge (free clinics), in which case the application shall include a statement that individuals having MA or Medicare insurance but who document having no access to a primary health care provider accepting these insurances will receive primary health services at the free clinic until such time that a provider participating in the applicable insurance program (MA or Medicare) is available. A Board approved policy regarding the provision of primary health services at no charge to MA and Medicare covered individuals who do not have access to participating primary health care providers must be included in the Additional Appendices Section of the application.

6. Topic: Project Impact:

Complete the tables below. Use definitions of "patient" and "patient visits" and instructions for counting both that are found in Appendix 7. The applicant should provide both existing and proposed patient numbers and patient visits.

TABLE 1 – PATIENT NUMBERS: Provide current number of <u>unduplicated</u> patients and projections of the total number of unduplicated patients during each year of the project period by coverage type in the following format. *If the location of the proposed site is not in a HPSA or MUA/P, then the total sum of Rows 2, 4, and 5, columns 1 and 2 must be at least 30 percent of total patients served.

| Coverage Type | Current # Patients (1/01/ 13-12/31/13) | Percent Patients Served (1/01 13-12/31/13) | Proposed # Patients (10/01/14- 6/30/15) | Proposed # Patients (7/01/15- 6/30/16) |
|---------------------------|--|--|---|--|
| Number of patients served | | | | |
| with Medicare | | | | |

| Number of patients served with Medical Assistance (MA)* | | |
|---|--|--|
| Number of patients served with Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) | | |
| Number of patients served not charged due to inability to pay* | | |
| Number of patients served that could not pay full amount but paid something | | |
| (discounted/sliding fee scale)* | | |
| Number of patients with full pay/commercial insurance | | |
| TOTAL Number of Patients | | |

TABLE 2 – PATIENT VISITS: Provide current number of patient visits and projections of the total number of patient visits during each year of the project period by coverage type in the following format.

| Coverage Type | Current # Patient Visits (1/01/13- 12/31/13) | Proposed # Patient Visits (10/01/14- 6/30/15) | Proposed # Patient Visits (7/01/15- 6/30/16) |
|--|--|---|--|
| Number of visits for patients with Medicare | | | |
| Number of visits for patients with Medical Assistance (MA) | | | |
| Number of visits for patients served with Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) | | | |
| Number of visits for patients not charged due to inability to pay | | | |
| Number of visits for patients that could not pay full amount but paid something (discounted/sliding fee scale) | | | |
| Number of visits for patients with full pay/commercial insurance | | | |
| TOTAL Number of Patient Visits | | | |

7. Topic: Capacity to Implement:

Description of applicant's capacity to implement project:

a) Description of applicant's governance structure

- b) Description of applicant's organizational structure
- c) Description of current clinical staffing
- d) Description of current administrative and support staffing
- e) Description of applicant's fiscal status demonstrating capacity to implement (Note: Grant funds provide reimbursement for expenditures; applicant must describe plan to pay for costs incurred prior to reimbursement)
- f) Description of Project Director's role in the supervision and administration of the project
- g) Description of site to include:
 - i. Address of site
 - ii. Ownership of property
 - iii. Status of any lease agreement
- h) Identification of clinic renovations required, if applicable. Provide contractor estimated cost, and proposed timeline for completion of clinic renovations (see Allowable Use of Funds on pages 37 and 38 of this Attachment)
- i) Detailed plan for practitioner recruitment and retention

8. Topic: Sustainability Plans:

Description of plans to sustain project beyond the grant period to include <u>detailed</u> plans for maintaining long-term operation of the project:

- a) Project growth projections (facilities, personnel, services)
- b) Funding sources
- c) Fiscal plan

9. Additional Appendices (Attachment X):

The following must be included:

- a) Letters of financial commitment for matching funds or dollar equivalent of inkind services
- b) Letter of approval to use other grant funds as matching funds, if applicable
- c) Resumes of key staff for the project
- d) Position description for new or vacant key positions
- e) Copy of discounted/sliding fee scale and board approved policy to ensure services to those unable to pay
- f) Contractor estimate for clinic renovations, if applicable

DO NOT INCLUDE LETTERS OF SUPPORT.

10. Budget Template (Attachment XI):

Use the downloadable format to present your budget request. Instructions regarding completion of the budget can be found in the last worksheet of the downloadable Excel budget file.

The anticipated Grant Agreement term is Oct.1, 2014 to June 30, 2016. The overall 21 month budget for the application shall not exceed \$200,000. Your budget needs to contain an Overall Summary in addition to a Summary with

Budget Details for each year.

| | • | Maximum Amounts |
|-----------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| Overall Summary | Oct. 1, 2014 to June 30, 2016 | \$200,000 |
| Year 1 Summary | Oct. 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015 | \$100,000 |
| Year 2 Summary | July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016 | \$100,000 |

11. Budget Justification (Attachment XII):

The Budget Justification must be a narrative of the budget, by category, justifying budget requests and explaining in detail the method which was used to arrive at specific budget amounts. The Budget Justification must relate to the workplan objectives and activities (Section 4 above) to include:

- a) explanation of personnel expenses
- b) explanation and justification for equipment, supplies, and clinic renovations
- c) written estimates for equipment, supplies, and for any clinic renovations included in this project
- d) identification of consultants and contractors with written estimates

12. Budget Definitions:

- a) **Personnel:** The personnel section shall identify each position by job title, hourly rate, and the number of hours per year allocated to the project. Fringe benefits are to be shown as a separate line item by percentage and shall include a detailed listing of the benefits being covered.
- b) **Consultant Services:** This budget category shall identify each consultant by classification, hourly rate and number of hours to be utilized under this grant.
- c) Subcontractor Services: This budget category shall identify each subcontractor to be utilized under this grant. If the subcontractor is not known at this time, please indicate by saying "To Be Determined" along with a description of work to be performed.
- d) **Patient Services:** This budget category is not applicable to this RFA.
- e) **Equipment:** This budget category shall reflect the actual or projected cost of any medical equipment equal to or greater than \$5,000, needed to support this project. Justification for the purchase of any equipment must be included. Requested equipment must be directly related to the proposed project.
- f) **Supplies:** This budget category shall reflect expected costs for medical supplies, as well as for general office supplies including personal computers and facsimile machines valued at less than \$5,000, needed to support this project.
- g) Travel: This budget category shall only include anticipated expenditures for mileage between clinical sites included in this project for the provision of direct patient services.
- h) Other: This budget category shall be used to anticipate expenditures that do not fit into any of the other budget categories such as telephone, printing, postage, office renovations, malpractice insurance and rental costs. Indirect

costs are also listed in this category; however, they may not be paid for from grant funding and therefore should not be included.

13. Allowable Use of Funds:

Requested funding must be **directly** related to the specified goal of the project which is to expand and improve health care access and services at community based health care clinics serving underserved populations. Moreover, requested funding, as itemized in the Budget Justification, must relate directly to workplan objectives and activities (Section 4 above.)

Grant funds may only be used for the following:

a) Primary Health Care Practitioner, Project Administration and Support Salaries and Fringe Benefits:

Physician Specialties: Obstetrics/Gynecology, General Pediatrics, Family Medicine, General Internal Medicine, Psychiatrist

Physician Assistant-Certified (PA-C)

Certified Registered Nurse Practitioner (CRNP)

Certified Nurse Midwife (CNM)

Registered Nurse (RN)

Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)

Medical Assistants

Medical Interpreters

Psychologists (Licensed)

Licensed Professional Counselors

Licensed Clinical Social Workers

Marriage and Family Therapists (Licensed)

Project Director

Project Coordinator

Outreach or Education Coordinator

- b) Medical Equipment and Supplies (consistent with proposed expansion of prenatal, obstetric, postpartum and newborn care services)
- c) Other Costs Directly Related to the Provision of Services

Travel-mileage between clinical sites for the provision of services detailed in the workplan

Public transportation expenses that enable patients to utilize community-based health care clinic services

Clinic renovations (modification of interior office space to accommodate more equipment or additional patient services or both)

Copier

Computer/Printer

Telephone/Fax Machine

Rental Costs

Office Supplies

Electronic medical record technology and equipment

In order to ensure the most appropriate use of funds, there are certain categories of costs that will not be funded:

- a) Continuation of a project funded with state funds or from other Department of Health grants or contracts.
- b) Funding to supplant funds currently being used to support similar activities.
- c) Salaries for existing positions unless the funds requested are to provide new or expanded services by an existing position and there will be an increase in the salary and hours for that position.

The Department recognizes that certain costs, such as those listed below, may be a necessary part of the project, and although these costs cannot be paid with grant funds, they may be included in the budget and paid for by a Community Based Health Care Program grantee from its matching funds or in-kind commitment. This must be explained in detail in the budget narrative, and directly related to the work statement objectives. Matching funds and in-kind commitments must be used for costs directly incurred to support the proposed project.

Applicants may not use Grant Funds for the following:

- a) Loan Repayment/Scholarships
- b) Real Estate purchases
- c) Construction of new buildings or additions to existing buildings
- d) Ambulance/ Medical Transportation services
- e) Advertising costs
- f) Costs for direct patient care, i.e. hospital bills, lab fees, pharmacy fees, x-ray fees, phlebotomy fees, prosthodontic fees, etc.
- g) Vehicle purchases
- h) Attendance at conferences, symposiums, meetings
- i) Purchase of journals, magazines, other publications
- j) Provider recruitment costs

14. Matching Commitment Requirements:

- a) Matching commitment must be in the ratio of one dollar of matching commitment for each four dollars of Commonwealth funding and **shall not exceed this ratio**.
- b) Matching commitment may be in the form of cash or dollar equivalent in-kind services.
- c) Matching commitment requirement applies to each budget year as well as the overall grant period.
- d) The source and amount of the matching commitment (including the dollar equivalent in-kind services) must be identified on the Budget Summary form for the overall grant period and each budget year.
- e) Fund raising may not be used for matching commitment.
- f) Matching commitments (cash or dollar equivalent in-kind services) must be committed at the time of the grant application via a signed letter of financial commitment from an individual with signatory authority from

the organization(s) providing the matching funds or dollar equivalent inkind services. Letters must state the dollar amount of the commitment (cash or in-kind equivalent) for each budget year of the grant. If the matching commitment is in-kind services, a description of those services related to the proposed project must be included in the letter. Letters must also note any specific restrictions for the use of match funds in this grant (for example, if the organization providing matching funds requests that those funds be used only for direct patient care and not for renovations or equipment, this must be noted in the signed letter of commitment).

- g) If the applicant is the organization providing matching commitment the letter of commitment <u>must</u> be signed by an officer of the Board of Directors.
- h) Matching commitments must be used for direct costs incurred to support the proposed project and may not be used to allocate existing expenses to this project. For example, if the salary of the Executive Director will be funded at \$1,000 per year from matching funds, the \$1,000 must represent a sum of money being paid to the Director over and above the Executive Director's current salary and must correspond to work related to the project being funded.
- i) Federal, state, foundation or other grant funds may be used to meet the matching commitment requirement. However, a letter from the entity supplying the other grant funds approving the use of those funds for the matching commitment requirement of this grant must be included in the Additional Appendices section of the application.