

Request for Proposals: Regional Trainings Supporting Health Center Evidence-Based Interventions and Quality Improvement Approaches to Cancer Screening

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Funding opportunity through NACHC's Subaward with the American Cancer Society (ACS) under funding from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Prime Award # NU38PW000015-01.



Proposals Due: January 17, 2025, 11:59 pm ET

Decisions Announced: January 24, 2025

Project Period: February 11 – June 10, 2025

Funding: Subaward from the American Cancer Society under CDC Prime Award # NU38PW000015-01

Budget: Multiple awards anticipated; estimated range from \$10,000 - \$35,000/award

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ORGANIZATION OVERVIEW

The National Association of Community Health Centers (NACHC) was founded in 1971 to promote efficient, high-quality, comprehensive health care that is accessible, culturally and linguistically competent, community directed, and patient-centered for all.

NACHC:

NACHC is the leading innovative change agent collaborating with affiliates and partners to advance Community Health Centers as the foundation of an equitable health care system free from disparities and built on accessible, patient-governed, high-quality, integrated primary care.

- Serves as the leading national advocacy organization in support of community-based health centers and the expansion of health care access for the medically underserved and uninsured.
- Conducts research and analysis that informs both the public and private sectors about the work of health centers, their value to the American health care system and the overall health of the nation's people and communities – both in terms of costs and health care outcomes.
- Provides training, leadership development, and technical assistance to support and strengthen health center operations and governance.
- Develops alliances and partnerships with the public and private sectors to build stronger and healthier communities.

BACKGROUND

The National Association of Community Health Centers, Inc. (NACHC) as part of a subaward with American Cancer Society (ACS) under a Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Cooperative Agreement: *Strengthening Public Health Systems and Services through National Partnerships to*

Improve and Protect the Nation's Health, seeks vendors for regional trainings offered through a national learning community to support systems and process changes that increase cancer screening in community health centers.

RFP SERVICES DESIRED

Through this Request for Proposals (RFP), NACHC is seeking one or more vendors to collaborate with the NACHC team in providing support for health center system and process changes that increase cancer screening, including four regional in-person trainings to promote evidence-based cancer screening interventions and quality improvement approaches, with attention to closing care gaps.

TIME PERIOD

Time period for services is February 11 through June 10, 2025.

FUNDING & BUDGET INFORMATION

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SCOPE OF WORK & DELIVERABLES

NACHC seeks vendor(s) with a variety of subject matter expertise. Interested vendors should select at least (1) area of interest from the list below. Vendors can indicate interest in more than one area in a single application, if applicable.

- **Quality Improvement (QI) & Performance Improvement Trainer and Coach.** In collaboration with the NACHC and ACS team, provide training in application of rapid cycle improvement systems for evidence-based cancer screening interventions as part of a systems approach to performance improvement. An experienced QI professional and trainer is sought who can coach health centers in improvement strategies and applications, with attention to closing care gaps. Ideal candidate has experience not only in working with health centers but also engaging state/regional primary care associations (PCAs) and/or health center controlled networks (HCCNs) to leverage state/regional QI and transformation efforts in support of member health centers.
- **Meeting and Events Coordinator.** Support the NACHC team in selection of a regional training site and managing on-site logistics and coordination with the event manager. Ideal candidate is a PCA/HCCN who plans to leverage an existing/planned health center event to offer this additional training or a QI Trainer (see above) whose team encompasses this expertise.
- **Training Materials Development Consultant.** Collaborate with the NACHC in development of training and curriculum on evidence-based cancer screening as part of a systems approach to change. Prepare and package training materials for four Regional Trainings, to include items such as instructor guide, pre/post learning, and presentation materials.
- **Health Writer/Research.** Interview three health centers who are among the highest performers nationally in cancer screening to identify components of their infrastructure, care delivery, people systems that support this success. Analyze the cost-effectiveness of the learning community approach and prepare a business case for a systems approach to cancer screening and implementation of system-wide interventions and strategies for improved cancer screening.

INFORMATION REQUESTED

Proposals must be submitted using NACHC's web-based portal by **January 17, 2025**. The system will notify you upon successful submission into the portal. Incomplete proposals will not be considered. NACHC will notify all applicants by **January 24, 2025**.

Online Submission Portal: https://nachc.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_bdfTyjmfDGN7VUa.

Proposals must contain the following information:

- Contact Information
- Hourly Rate
- Resume
- Capability Statement
- Examples of Previous Work

Review Criteria

Complete proposals will be evaluated using the criteria below Rating Factor	Application Selection Criteria To earn full points in each domain, the applicant must demonstrate:	Points
Capability Statement	Capability statement that demonstrates ability to deliver technical skills and/or subject matter expertise on the topic. Page Limit for Capability Statement: 500-word limit	15
Experience & Education	Resume(s)/CV(s) of expert(s) / staff clearly show tenure, professional experience, and/or education that reflects knowledge and ability in content expertise. Submitted documents should reflect expertise in all areas in which that applicant has proposed qualification for. Page Limit for Resume(s) / CV(s): 2 pages per key expert / staff	30
Quality of Work Samples	Work samples must demonstrate professional experience, and/or education that reflects knowledge and ability in content area to which proposal submitted. Applicants must submit: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A brief statement summarizing work samples and experience. (500-word limit) • 2 work samples (e.g.: presentation(s), supplementary training product(s), publications developed, etc.) delivered by vendor that demonstrate understanding of the specific SME area, as described in this RFP. 	40
Daily/Hourly Rates and Budget Narrative	Daily and Hourly Rates for all expert(s) and staff that may be engaged in work are reasonable. Rates should reflect overall cost rate inclusive of any fringe, overhead and/or general & administrative expense (G&A), if required. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Reasonableness” is assessed based on market or industry standards and in consideration of the not-for-profit status of health centers and NACHC. 	15
Total		100