

Stakeholder Engagement T1D and T2D FOA Pre-Application Webinar

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Background

The National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK) held a pre-application webinar on Thursday, August 11, 2022, from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Eastern Time for two funding opportunities [RFA-DK-22-001](#) Stakeholder Engagement Innovation Center for Advancing Health Equity in Type 2 Diabetes Research (U2C - Clinical Trial Not Allowed) and [RFA-DK-22-019](#) Type 1 Diabetes Mellitus Stakeholder Engagement Innovation Center for Advancing Health Equity (U2C - Clinical Trial Not Allowed).

The following FAQs are provided in response to this webinar:

1. Are the slides from the webinar presentation available?
Yes, please email miranda.broadney@nih.gov or shavon.artisdickerson@nih.gov for a copy.
2. The FOA indicates the expectation of three cores. Can an additional core be created or proposed?
No, the FOA lists the minimum and maximum number of cores allowed, which are three and this is specified in the table under Section IV of the FOA. Additional cores are not allowed and cannot be submitted in the system.
3. Does the information provided in each core need to “stand alone” or can information in one core be referred to in other cores, which would decrease redundancy across the full application?
For the content of each core or component, please follow the FOA and SF 424 instructions closely regarding what information needs to be addressed and included in each core. It is possible that a core will be reviewed independently of the full application, so referencing necessary material to another section is not advisable.
4. Pertaining to the budget caps noted on the FOAs, is this inclusive of the Administrative Core budget and the Partnership Hub budget?
Yes, both the Administrative Core budget (T2D: \$380,000 Direct Costs; T1D: \$350,000 Direct Costs) and the Partnership Hub budget (\$100,000 for each T2D and T1D) are within the total budget direct costs cap (T2D: \$1,900,000 Direct Costs per year; T1D: \$1,500,000 Direct Costs per year).
5. The FOAs have two different names for the leader of the various Cores and for the Center. How should this person be referred to in the grant application—**Project Lead** or **Center Director**?
Our apologies for this inconsistency. It is advised that the terminology should be as follows: “Project Lead (Center Director[s])” and “Project Lead (Core Director[s]).”

6. Although the FOA indicates that the Center should prioritize core users who have or are applying for NIDDK funding, is there a specific requirement (percentage or number) to focus only on NIDDK-specific projects? Can an application propose extending the “core user base” to other projects funded by other, non-NIDDK sponsors in T1D or T2D?

The FOA indicates that the Center strategy should “include a process for prioritizing core users with NIDDK funding or those preparing to submit grants in response to NIDDK funding opportunities.” The intention of this Center is to support NIDDK-funded and NIDDK-seeking grantees as first priority, followed by NIDDK mission-oriented researchers who are funded from another source, with appropriate justification. The extent to which how strictly the prioritization will be executed is up to the applicant. And to reiterate, NIDDK can support only research that is within our mission. Please visit the [Is Your Clinical Study Appropriate for NIDDK?](#) webpage for more information.

7. Does an application to these FOAs need to include a Resource Sharing Plan? A Data Sharing Plan?

No, neither a Resource Sharing Plan nor a Data Sharing Plan is expected or required. “Not applicable” is sufficient for these fields.

8. Are core users meant to be national—as in, will the Center serve communities and investigators nationwide?

Yes, this is the requirement.

9. The FOAs indicate that the Facilities document for the Research Consultation Services Core is submitted within the Research Plan. However, in other FOAs, it is usually placed within the “Other Project Information.” Where should this information be contained?

*Please submit Facilities & Other Resources within the Research Plan of the Research Consultation Services Core, as the FOA instructs. However, you have the option to include Facilities in the Overall component and/or the Studio Core, as well. The SF 424 instructions are as follows: **“Unless specific instructions are provided in the FOA, applicants have the option of including the “Facilities & Other Resources” attachment in the Overall Component, Other Components, or both.”** The FOA does not prohibit including this attachment in the Overall or other components, so you have the option to include Facilities in the Research Core alone or in the Research Core in addition to the Overall and/or Studio Core, as desired.*

10. Will the applications be reviewed with the same criteria as other standard NIH grants (Overall, Significance, Investigators, Innovation, Approach)? If not, are review criteria available?

Yes, the standard criteria will be used. In addition, FOA-specific criteria for the various aspects of the Center are included. This detailed information is available in Section V: Application Review Information in the published FOAs.

11. Where can I obtain more information?

Please email the Program Contacts listed at the bottom of the FOAs:

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