

Amendment 1 – Answers to Written Inquiries

Senior In Home Services FY27- FY29 Request for Proposals

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Question 1: On page 11 of the RFP, "Payment for Services/Grant Income: Awarded Grantees will have a Medicaid Provider Number or apply to obtain one...", Does this eliminate our non-profit from eligibility for this grant as we do not bill Medicaid or our clients for services provided? Or, do I just need to fill out 4.05 C with the explanation of why Hospice of Anchorage doesn't need one?

Answer 1: If a grantee chooses to subcontract in home services with an agency that has a Medicaid provider number, the grantee agency would not need to have a Medicaid provider number themselves because the work being done is subcontracted.

Question 2: Another is approved services and project activities: Information and Assistance and Outreach and Education are still listed in the FY27 Planned Services and Expenditures - Senior In-Home Services, are these still to be included in the Logic Model and counted each month in GEMS?

Answer 2: Information and Assistance (I&A) and Outreach/ Education are not required services and are not considered when determining award amounts. Most SIH grantees provide these services to consumers as a normal part of doing business. Grantees are asked to track I&A and Outreach/Education if it is related to the SIH program and record that data in GetCare.

Question 3: In the RFP document, under 1.06 Program Funding, I don't see any information about the number of awards that the program will fund or any regional breakdown or limitations. I just want to make sure that I am not missing any amount cap or regional cap or other proposal amount guidance that would inform our budget and request. Do you know how many awards you hope to make and whether there is a ratio or other structure for allotment by community?

Answer 3: SIH is a statewide program and one or multiple grantees may be awarded in each region. Attached to this amendment is a funding formula demonstrating the allocation of grant funds for each region based on the [Alaska Department of Health Senior Care State Plan for Senior Services](#).

Most often only one grantee will be awarded to provide each service in an individual community aside from Anchorage where multiple grantees may be awarded to provide the same service. It is recommended that an applicant researches who the current SIH grantees are in their region or community and coordinate efforts. A list of SIH grantees can

be found on the SDS website at [Alaska Department of Health Senior Care Senior In-Home Services Grants](#).

Regions I (Bethel Census Area and Kusilvak Census Area), Region III (Utiagvik, Wainwright), and Region VII (Bristol Bay Borough, Dillingham) are currently unserved by the SIH grant

Question 4: When uploading resumes for question 4.05 Applicant Qualifications, should we be updating the resumes of staff that have been here for numerous years or just new staff? Updating them would show experience, but I am not sure if that matters or if it should just be included in the narrative.

Answer 4: Position descriptions, resumes and professional credentials if applicable should be uploaded for all key project positions. Position holders should be named for each position included in the budget and vacant positions should be identified.

Question 5: The RFP notes that SIH services are available to "low-income" seniors. Does this apply to all SIH services? The only service in the RFP that specifically mentions income requirements is the Supplemental Service description, so we would like to clarify.

Answer 5: Supplemental Services are the only service that has specific income requirements, however, individuals with the greatest social and economic need should be prioritized for all SIH services. Grantees are expected to employ a sliding fee scale and therefore an individual's own resources would be used for payment for services before the SIH grant would help cover the grantee agency's costs of providing services.

Question 6: In the past, the SIH RFP allocated specific funding amounts for regions. Is there an amount identified for the Anchorage area?

Answer 6: The regional funding formula is attached to the RFP as an amendment.