

Collaborative of South Dakota

# **PROJECT NARRATIVE QUESTIONS**

## QUESTION #1

A requirement of this funding is that all organizations must provide direct patient/client care and/or services. Please read the below definitions prior to continuing with this application.

The Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) defines direct patient care as hands on, face-to-face contact with a patient for the purpose of diagnosis, treatment, and monitoring. The SD DOH and CHWSD define direct patient/client services as current and/or proposed services that are provided by organizations that compliment direct patient/client care where a CHW position could compliment direct patient/client care by providing the services of the CHW scope of work.

- Medical Clinical Example: A medical clinical site may have medical providers seeing patients and providing diagnosis, treatment, and monitoring. Through this funding, a CHW could then be added to the team to provide direct patient services related to resource coordination and patient navigation, health promotion and coaching, and health education.
- **Community-based Example:** A CHW could be added to aid existing direct client services related to resource/referral coordination and client case navigation, health promotion and coaching, and health education. CHW direct services should focus on individual/family, one-on-one services provided to coordinate needs related to social determinants of health (housing, education, economic stability, safety, healthcare access, neighborhood/environment, and social/community needs). Organizations that do not currently provide a basic-level of proposed CHW services (resource/referral coordination and patient/client navigation related to social determinants of health needs, health promotion and coaching, and health education) are not eligible to apply for funding.

## QUESTION #2

Given the examples, does your organization provide direct patient/client care and/or services?

- □ Yes Continue completing the application.
- No Unfortunately your organization is not eligible to apply for funding at this time, please do not continue with this application.

## **QUESTION #3**

A required grant outcome of this funding is to develop, at minimum, a part-time and/or cross-trained CHW position. Funding can also be used to develop a full-time CHW position. Please provide a summary of the CHW position your organization will develop if awarded through this funding opportunity (i.e., full-time CHW, part-time CHW, cross-trained CHW, multiple CHW positions).

\* Please provide specific information about the role and responsibilities your CHW/s will fill within your organization.

#### **QUESTION #4**

Please briefly describe who will be responsible for managing and coordinating the work associated with developing the CHW program at your organization.

## **QUESTION #5**

CHWs must be able to record interactions and services provided to patients/clients. Please briefly document how your CHW(s) will document patient/client interactions and services provided. Does your organization currently have an EHR (Electronic Health Record)? Does your organization currently subscribe to client management software? Will a portion of this funding be used to purchase or upgrade your EHR/software?

## **QUESTION #6**

Health equity is achieved when every persona has the opportunity to "attain his or her full health potential" and no one is "disadvantaged from achieving this potential because of social position or other socially determined circumstances." Health inequities are reflected in differences in length of life; quality of life; rates of disease, disability, and death; severity of disease; and access to treatment. Please share a brief summary of how your organization works to implement health equity within the services and care provided.

## QUESTION #7

As a condition of this funding, the site or organization must participate in an evaluation process. Each site will also be required to track 2 - 3 measures to assess your specific needs and issues. Examples in a health setting may be reducing emergency department visits, increasing appointment follow-through, or specific chronic disease measures, such as A1c or blood pressure. Examples in a community-based organization may be related to specific case management measures important to the agency. What 2 - 3 measures will your CHW program measure and report?

## **QUESTION #8**

This funding is only available for a short period of time to establish and develop a CHW Program and is not meant to be a consistent funding source for CHW programs. Please provide a detailed plan for how your organization will sustain your CHW program after the grant funding ends. i.e., If your organization is planning to seek Medicaid reimbursement for CHW services provided, please briefly summarize. Please list other funding sources your organization will pursue to sustain the CHW program after funding has ended