



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

NOTE: Questions are written as they were submitted.

1. Is this Pediatric or Adult program related?

The focus of the NCSCC is to enhance access to SCD care for adults residing in California. This target population would remain the same for this request for applications.

2. What innovation in patient education have been made in the past?

We have only had one previous round for this type of call for applications. Two entities were awarded funding. One of the initiatives focused on raising awareness of Sickle Cell Trait (SCT) and SCD in the multicultural and vulnerable Hispanic Communities in Los Angeles County through a train the trainer approach, while the other included the strengthening of a clinic and CBO partnership to help navigate patients through the continuum of care as well as providing education on SCD to medical students and residents.

To learn more about these two programs, you can go to our website and look under outreach and education then go to grantees, where we provide a more detailed summary of these two projects as well as who to contact for more information: <https://sicklecellcare-ca.com/grantees/>.

3. What tips for a successful application we can have:

Please review the instructions and ensure all sections are addressed appropriately.

4. What shouldn't be included in a good application?

We suggest you review the instructions and ensure all sections are addressed appropriately. If sections of the application are not addressed clearly, reviewers may have a difficult time understanding what your project is about. We do have a limited amount of funds we can distribute and we cannot fund all applications submitted. Only applications that result in a score of 80 points or higher will be considered for funding.

5. Will online educational videos be a potential option for the outreach effort?

Online educational videos is one approach to education. We encourage applicants to develop approaches that best fit the needs of the population they aim to serve.

6. Should we only focus on the 3 key topics in the RFA, or can we expand to other important topics?

Please focus only on the three key topics noted in the RFA.



7. Can we partner with colleagues outside of CA to get a diverse perspective on these topics of interest?

While you may have partners based in other states, funds must be used to support projects implemented for individuals with SCD that reside in California.

8. If the deadline is April 1, 2021, when will parties be notified to submit the full application?

If you submit a letter of intent, you may submit a full application. The purpose of the letter of intent is for us to get an idea of the number of applications we would be receiving and ensure we allocate enough time for reviewers to review each application.

9. Are their font sizes, margin minimums, etc. for both the LOI and the grant?

Yes, for the LOI please use the fillable PDF that is available for download. When you type into the PDF the font is set at 12 point font. You can leave this as is or reduce it to no less than 11 point font.

For the Application, please reference page 6 and 7 of the RFA. Please maintain 1 inch margins.

10. The grant, if awarded, will be performed throughout CA however, we desire to partner with a group knowledgeable about the topic located in other state. Is partnership allowable? If yes, even with a physicians out of state?

While you may have partners based in other states, funds must be used to support projects implemented for California based communities.

11. Are we eligible to apply for this funding as an adult SCD center embedded within the UC Davis Comprehensive Cancer Center?

Please refer to the eligibility criteria on page 6 of the RFA. If your site meets these criteria, you would be eligible for funding.

12. Can this funding support awareness and education outreach efforts to the greater Sacramento community?

Yes. Funds must be implemented to support projects that serve individuals with SCD that reside in California.

13. Can this funding be used to support additional training in SCD case management for our RN/Case Manager?

Applications may target physicians, residents, nurses, advanced practice providers, and other members of the health care team. We would like to see applications targeting a group of individual's vs educating one team member.



14. Will the slides be available after the presentation?

Yes, a copy of the slides as well as the webinar recording will be emailed to all webinar registrants and posted on our website.

15. What is the margin size? .5 of 1"

We would encourage you to maintain margins of 1 inch.

16. You stated that the target population for this grant are adults, if the program we are applying for targets both children and adults with SCD in hospital can we qualify for it still?

Yes

17. Would it be ok to target transition youth as long as they are 18+?

Yes, it would be acceptable to focus on this population.

18. Will educational videos targeting medical trainees on SCD management also count?

Yes, educational videos is one approach to addressing your target population. If that is the best way that your target population would receive information, then we would support that approach. Overall, we want you to use the best method that fits the group you are targeting.