

Building Workforce Capacity of Rural/Frontier Local Health Departments to Respond to COVID-19

Request for Applications (RFA)

Informational Webinar

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Introductions



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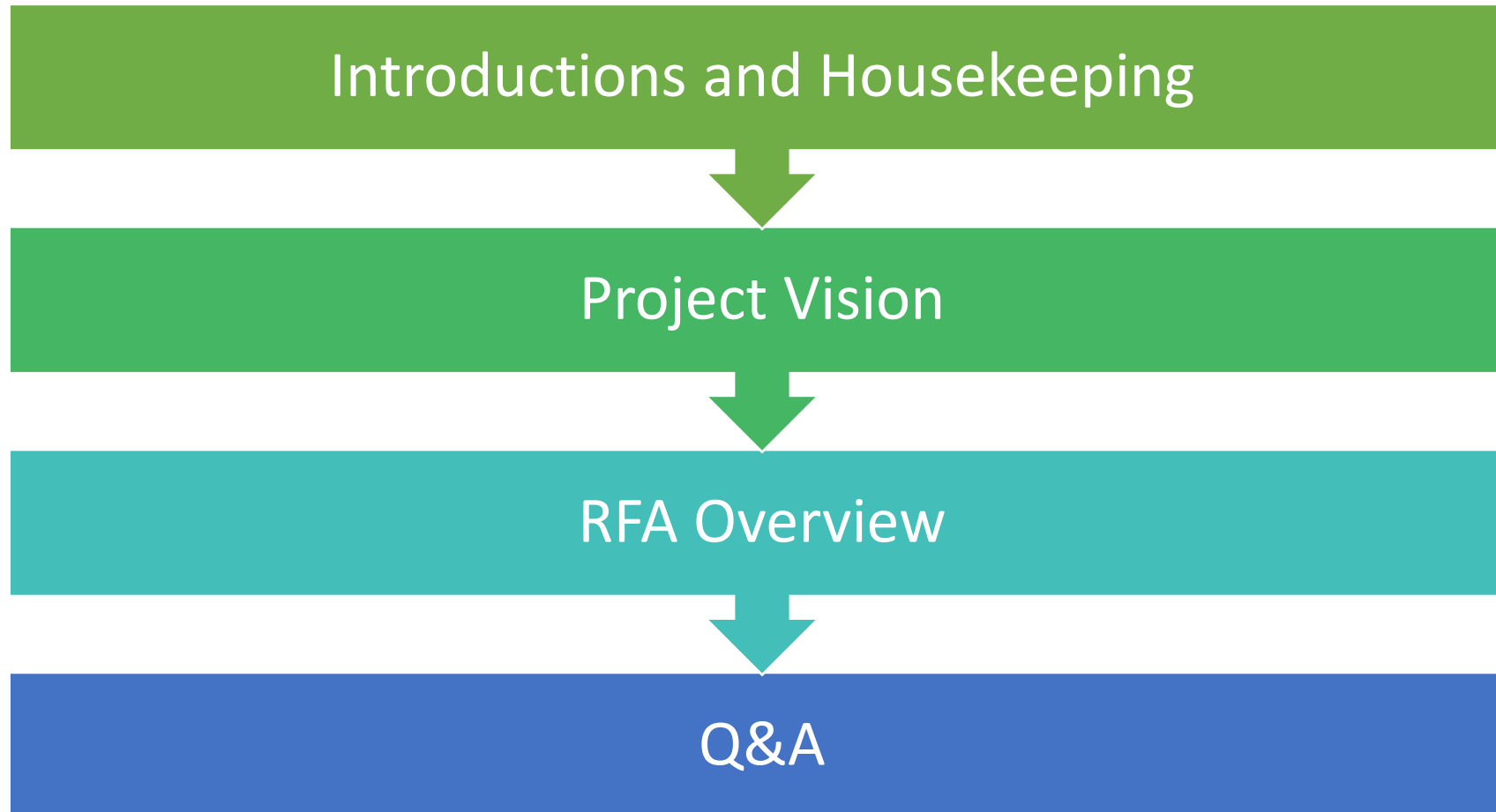


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Agenda



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Our mission is to serve as a **leader**, **partner**, **catalyst**, and **voice** with local health departments.

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Request for Applications (RFA) Overview

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Project Purpose

This funding opportunity is focused on increasing the workforce capacity of local health departments (LHDs) that serve rural and frontier jurisdictions to effectively respond to, recover from, and build community resiliency related to the COVID pandemic and future public health emergencies. This will be achieved by providing training, technical assistance, and awards of up to \$35,000 to approximately 35 rural and frontier LHDs across the nation. This funding opportunity will focus on supporting LHD workforce capacity issues surrounding COVID testing, contact tracing, and vaccine administration.

Funding Overview and RFA Timeline

Funding Description

- NACCHO will issue awards in the form of fixed priced contracts for up to \$35,000 each to selected LHD demonstration sites that agree to complete required activities.
- An LHD may be a part of one submitted application only, whether they are the application lead or a support agency included in the application.

Eligibility

- This RFA is open to governmental LHDs whose main, administrative office is located in rural or frontier/remote areas.
 - **Rural:** For this project, rural will be defined by [Rural Urban Commuting Area \(RUCA\)](#) codes to determine the degree of urbanization of a community. RUCA codes 4-10 are for jurisdictions that are considered rural.
 - **Frontier:** For this project, frontier will be defined by RUCA code 10 to indicate areas with very small population density.

Funding Overview and RFA Timeline

Event	Date
Release of Rural and Frontier Workforce site project RFA	November 2, 2020
Application period closes	November 30, 2020 @ 11:59pm ET
Anticipated notice of award	Approximately December 18, 2020

Project Expectations

- Selection of one or two focus areas for capacity building assistance
- Identification of up to three (3) Topic Areas of Interest
- Development of Action Plan during 11-month period of performance
- Development of sustainability plan

Project Expectations and Requirements

Focus Areas

Contact Tracing and Testing

Vaccination Administration



Training and Technical Assistance Areas

Technical training

Health Equity

Public communication
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Public health authorities

Emergency procurement

Emergency reporting practices

Other (COVID workforce topics indicated by applicant).

Project Expectations and Requirements

Project Activities

- Participate in a virtual kick-off call
- Participate in a post-award TTA assessment
- Participate in approximately four (4) virtual peer learning sessions
- Participate in bi-monthly individual or sub-cohort (TBD) TA sessions
- Submit a draft and final project action and sustainability plans
- Submit an interim and final project progress reports
- Participate in a virtual project wrap-up web call
- Participate in evaluation activities

Application Process

- Complete application document (save for your records) and submit responses via online submission form linked to RFA document.
- Complete proposed budget using template linked to RFA document and submit spreadsheet to preparedness@naccho.org
- Subject line: “rural/frontier COVID workforce TTA grant - <name of LHD>”

Application and Selection Process

Selection Criteria

- Recent/current COVID-19 Workforce Activities (10%)
- Recent/current COVID-19 Workforce Challenges (30%)
- Technical Assistance Needs (30%)
- Proposed Project Activities (25%)
 - Description of Activities
 - Utilization of Funding
 - Sustainability
 - Health Equity
 - People at Increased Risk and Other People Who Need to Take Extra Precautions
- Proposed Budget and Budget Narrative (5%)

Q&A

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