### Wastewater Surveillance for SARS-CoV-2 Mentorship Program

**Request for Application (RFA)** 

**Informational Webinar** 

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## Introductions



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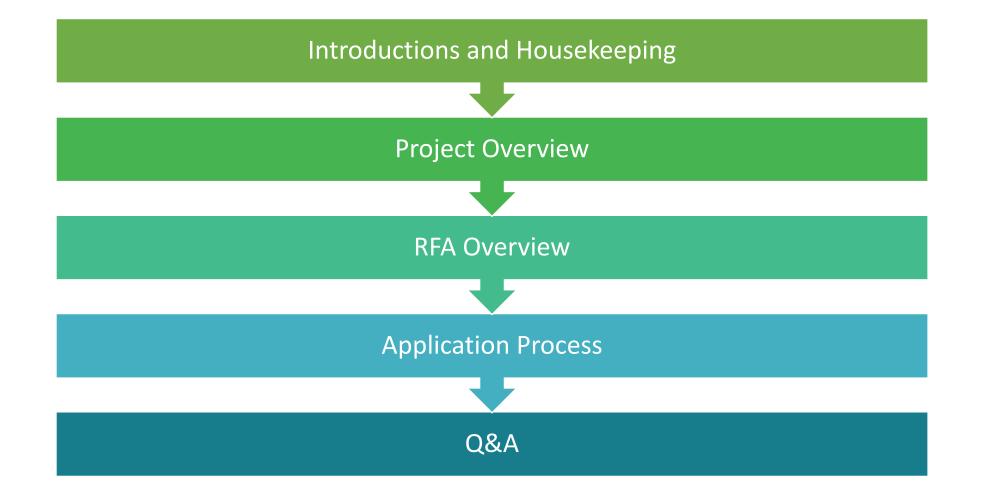
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### **Webinar Materials**

Find the webinar slides and webinar recording on NACCHO's WASH Webpage (<u>www.naccho.org/wash</u>)

### **About NACCHO**

# NACCHO is comprised of nearly **3,000** local health departments across the United States.

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



## **Project Overview**







### Wastewater surveillance:

- Inclusive
- Non-invasive
- Inexpensive
- Can detect SARS-CoV-2 up to 3 to 4 days before individual testing
- Overcomes barriers of traditional testing
- Help leaders direct resource





The goal of this mentorship program is to ensure that LHDs have the support necessary to start or expand wastewater surveillance programs to fit their community's needs. It also ensures that LHDs with expertise in wastewater surveillance have the opportunity to share their knowledge through mentorship.

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## **RFA Overview**



## Important Dates

Event	Date/Time	
Release of Preparing for Wastewater Surveillance for SARS-CoV-2 Mentorship Pilot Program	February 1, 2023	
Optional Informational webinar for Potential Applicants	February 9, 2023 1:00 PM ET <u>Registration Link</u>	
Submission Deadline	February 27, 2023 11:59 PM ET	
Award Notification Date*	March 2023	
Anticipated Contract Start Date*	March 15, 2023	
Anticipated Contract End Date*	July 31, 2023	

### **Eligibility and Contract Terms**

### Eligibility

- This RFA is open to local health departments or other local government agencies
- Mentors should demonstrate subjectmatter expertise and experience leading a wastewater surveillance program
- Mentees should demonstrate interest and need in developing and/or expanding wastewater surveillance in their jurisdiction, and how this mentorship program will guide them through this process

### Contract Terms

- NACCHO will issue a total of 4 awards:
  - 1 mentor award up to \$15,000
  - 3 mentee awards up to \$10,000 each
- Agreement with NACCHO standard contract terms and conditions is a requirement.



Kick-off call

Monthly technical assistance calls

Pre-assessment (both mentors and mentees)

Post-assessment (mentees only)

**Final deliverables** 

End-of-year webinar

### Activities

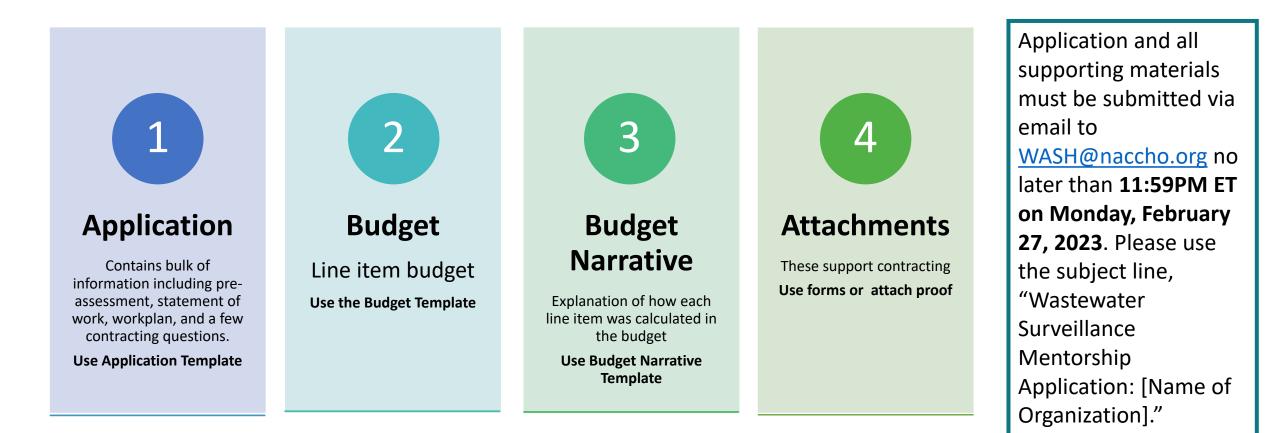
Deadline for Completion	Activity	
March 2023*	All applicants notified of selection status	
	<ul> <li>Kick-off call and begin project activities – to be scheduled</li> </ul>	
March 2023 – July 2023	<ul> <li>Complete program activities including monthly technical assistance calls with mentor site.</li> </ul>	
July 14, 2023	<ul> <li>Submit invoice #1 (March 15 - June 30, 2023) with reimbursement materials</li> </ul>	
July 31, 2023	<ul> <li>Participate in an end-of-year webinar</li> </ul>	
July 51, 2025	<ul> <li>Complete post-assessment (mentees only) and final deliverables</li> </ul>	
August 14, 2023	• Submit invoice #2 (July 1- July 31, 2023) with reimbursement	
	materials	

\*These dates are subject to change due to possible application deadline extensions and other contracting needs.

## **Application Process**



## **Application Submission Elements**



## Application

- Contact Information
- Background
- Pre-assessment
- Statement of work
- Workplan
- Standard Contract Language Verification
- Contract and Auditing





#### Wastewater Surveillance for SARS-CoV-2 Mentorship Program (2023) Application

The National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) have established Wastewater Surveillance for SARS-CoV-2 Mentorship Program to match local health departments with demonstrated expertise in wastewater surveillance with local health departments currently looking for guidance, tools and resources, and recommendations to build program capability.

NACCHO will issue a total of four (4) awards for the 2023 cohort of the Wastewater Surveillance Mentorship program: one (1) mentor award up to \$15,000 and three (3) mentee awards up to \$10,000 each. Interested applicants must complete and submit this application with all the required materials outlined in the Request for Application.

#### Completed applications and all required materials must be sent to <u>WASH@naccho.org</u> no later than 11:59 PST on Monday, February 27, 2023.

To complete this application: Please fill out sections 1-6. Some sections contain more than one item. For written answers, please type in your answer next to or below the question. Questions requiring written answers may specify a word limit. If no word limit is specified, please keep answers as succinct as possible.

For multiple choice questions please highlight your selection, for example:



#### 1. Applicant [six (6) items]

#### Applying as a mentee or mentor, <u>select one</u>:

- Applying as a mentee a local jurisdiction with demonstrated interest and need in developing and/or expanding wastewater surveillance.
- Applying as a mentor a local jurisdiction with subject-matter expertise and experience leading a wastewater surveillance program.
- Local Health Department/Agency/Organization Name:
- City or County:
- State:

#### Jurisdiction Size, <u>select one</u>:

- Small (0-50,000)
- Medium (50,000-499,999)
- Large (500,000+)

#### Please provide a primary contact for your agency/organization:

- Name:
- Title:
- Email Address:
- Phone number:

#### 2. Background [seven (7) items, all written answers]

 Describe your organization's prior or current wastewater surveillance efforts. Please include experience with any wastewater surveillance indicators (\_e\_, opioid use, polio, SARS-CoV-2).

· Why are you interested in applying to this program as mentor or mentee?



Provide a line-item budget of:

- Mentors: \$15,000
- Mentees: \$10,000

\*Budgets that are more than these caps will not be reviewed

For guidance:

- Appendix A: Budget Guidance
- Appendix D: Funding Restrictions

LINE-ITEM BUDGET NAME OF ORGANIZATION					
	TITLE OF PROJECT				
Line Items	Requested Amount for March 15, 2023 to July 31, 2023	Cost Justification			
Direct Labor (Name & Position description)					
Personnel Subtotal	s -				
Fringe Benefits (X%)	\$ -				
Subtotal Direct Labor & Fringe	\$ -				
Contracts (Subaward and/or Contractor)					
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Subtotal of Materials/ Supplies Travel	s -				

### **Budget Narrative**

A budget narrative should also be provided using the Budget Narrative Template explaining each line-item and how the amounts were derived.

Please refer to *Appendix A* for more detailed budget guidance.

#### **Budget Narrative**

The budget narrative should explain each line-item in the budget proposal, including the cost breakdown and justification as to how it will support project goals and objectives. Refer to the Budget Guidance: Appendix B for details.

> [ORGANIZATION] Wastewater Surveillance for SARS-CoV-2 Mentorship Program (March 15, 2023 – July 31, 2023)

А.	Personnel	Total \$XXX
в.	Fringe Benefits	Total \$XXX
c.	Contractual	Total \$XXX
D.	Supplies and Equipment	Total \$XXX
E.	Travel	Total \$XXX
F.	Other	Total \$XXX
G. Ind	irect Costs	Total \$XXX

Grand Total Requested \$XXXX

### Attachments

### Please include the following attachments with your application:

- Contract Cover Sheet
- Vendor Information Form
- W-9
- Certification of Non-Debarment
- Certification Regarding Lobbying Form
- Certification Regarding Non-Applicability of Single Audit or a copy of a single audit where applicable
- Subrecipient Risk Assessment Form
- Proof of active registration with SAM.gov in accordance with active DUNS number.
- Back up documentation for fringe and indirect rate.

### **Evaluation**

### **Application – 80 points**

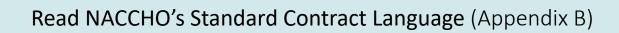
Provide background on your organization's current experience with wastewater surveillance and interest in the mentorship program. Complete a pre-assessment on the status of your jurisdiction's wastewater surveillance program. Provide a statement of work and workplan for the activities that your program will complete during the project period.

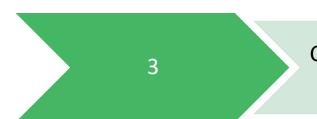
### **Budget and Budget Narrative – 20 points**

Provide a line-item budget of \$15,000 (mentor) or \$10,000 (mentees), that clearly outlines the dollar amount for the completion of the project, and a narrative cost justification for each line item. Please note that any budgets that are more than this cap will not be reviewed.

## To Apply







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Complete and attach: Application Template, Budget Template, Budget Narrative Template and Attachments



Submit via email to WASH@naccho.org by **11:59 PM ET on Feb. 27, 2023** with the subject line "Wastewater Surveillance Mentorship Program Application: [Name of Organization]."

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