



Notable Rapid Response Questions from December 2020

Funding

Are dollars leveraged reported on the SF-425?

No. Dollars leveraged are reported on the Program Performance Report (PPR).

Where do I find my Council's grant number?

The grant number is on the Notice of Award at the top of the award next to the heading "Grant No."

Do we have to make our funds available through a competitive process?

In general, yes unless the conditions are met for noncompetitive proposals.

- ✓ 45 CFR 75 (Section 75.101 - Applicability) indicates the terms and conditions flow down to subrecipients unless it is specifically stated that the subrecipient is excluded.
- ✓ 45 CFR 75 (Section 75.328) addresses Competition. (a) states all procurement transactions must be conducted in a manner providing full and open competition...
- ✓ 45 CFR 75 (Section 75.326) addresses Procurement by States and includes the wording "including subrecipients of a State will follow sections 75.327 through 75.335" - this includes the competition section.
- ✓ 45 CFR 75 (Section 75.329) (f) addresses procurement by noncompetitive proposals and may only be used when one or more listed circumstances apply.

Federal Reports

What if I had trouble submitting my Federal Financial Reports (SF-425's)?

Please contact your Program Specialist immediately as these reports were due 12/31.

Is there an official list of national priorities for Council's to choose from to complete the PPR section on the "input to national priorities"?

No. The information in this section allows the Council to identify priorities that could be addressed at the national level through partnerships that ACL/AoD/OIDD could address the issue or concern that is identified by the Council. Councils can also identify priorities based on gaps in services, supports, and other assistance from conducting the Comprehensive Review and Analysis (CRA) and holding forums with people with intellectual disabilities (ID) and people with developmental disabilities (DD), and key stakeholders.

What do I have to update when completing a State Plan update report?

For the section "Identification" please update Contact information, Council establishment (if applicable), Council membership, and Council staff information.

For the Designated State Agency section please update contact information and other changes as applicable.

For the section "Comprehensive Review and Analysis" - no updates.

For the 5-Year Goals section - no updates.

For the evaluation plan - if your PPR indicated changes would be made, provide the update.

For the Logic model - provide any updates.

For the Projected Council Budget - provide the FFY 2021 Council budget.

For the Assurances section - if a change in DSA has occurred, please check with OIDD staff.

For the Public input and review section - no updates.

For the FFY 2021 Annual Work Plan – provide updates.

State plan development 2022-2026

Does the Self-advocacy requirement have to be a goal or objective?

Yes. The self-advocacy requirements can be a goal or an objective with corresponding activities. Evaluation and a measure of impact should be clearly documented. The DD Act calls for Councils to report separate information on the self-advocacy goal (or objective). As a reminder the three activities required for each year of the state plan are:

- 1) Establish or strengthen a State self-advocacy organization led by people with intellectual disabilities/developmental disabilities (ID/DD).
- 2) Support opportunities for people with ID/DD who are leaders to provide leadership training to other people with ID/DD who may become leaders.
- 3) Support and expand participation of people with ID/DD in cross-disability, culturally diverse leadership coalitions.

Do we have to develop and submit Annual Work Plans for FY 22 and FY 23 and submit with the new State plan in August?

Yes. Council staff should develop Annual Work plans for FY 2022 and FY 2023 and submit with the 2022-2026 State plan that is due no later than August 15, 2021.

Council operations

Has a no-cost extension (NCE) been given to Councils for the FY 2021 grant award?

No, to date there has not been any approval for an FY21 NCE. The obligation period for the FY 2021 grant award is October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2022 and the project period is also October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2022.