Illinois Vaccinates Against COVID-19 (I-VAC) Funding Opportunity

The Illinois Chapter, American Academy of Pediatrics (ICAAP) is pleased to offer funding to address barriers to COVID-19 vaccines. Awards are available for up to $20,000.

- Application Link
- Budget Template

Funds can be used for, but are not limited to:

- Vaccine storage and equipment (refrigerators, digital data loggers, clinical supplies)
- Translation services
- Staff travel to vaccination clinics or events
- Client transportation vouchers (funds may not be used for gas or transportation gift cards)
- Creation and distribution of vaccination education and outreach materials
- Vaccine education events for patients, community or staff
- Cost of staffing vaccination clinics or events

Funds may not be used for the purchase of gift cards or for the purchase of COVID-19 vaccines.

All funds awarded are considered federal funds (CFDA 93.268). The grantee must comply with all state and federal requirements. Funds may not be used for lobbying, alcohol, and all other unallowable costs as outlined in 2 CFR Part 200.

Eligibility:

- Must be a primary health care site or provider, hospital or urgent care center, local health department, or non-profit that is directly providing or facilitating administration of COVID-19 vaccines in Illinois.

Timeline:

- Applications will be accepted through December 15, 2023 at 5pm.
- You will be notified of your application status by January 5, 2024.
- All activities must be completed, and funds must be used by May 30, 2024.
Project Tracks

Track 1: For projects $1,000 to $2,500

Application & Requirements:

- Summary of how funds will be used (250 words max).
- You do not need to submit a budget for Track 1 applications.
- Funds will be paid in one installment for the full award amount within 90 days of the contract being signed for Track 1 projects.
- A final report of activities will be due by May 30, 2024 (template will be provided).

Track 2: For projects $5,000 to $20,000

Application & Requirements:

- Summary of how funds will be used (500 words max).
- Completed budget template and risk management questionnaire (you must use template).
- Awardees must submit quarterly invoices for expenses incurred for reimbursement.
  - Invoices for January to March 2024 activities must be submitted by April 15, 2024.
  - Invoices for April to May 2024 activities must be submitted by May 30, 2024.
- Funds will be paid within 45 days of receipt of invoice.
- A final report of activities will be due by May 30, 2024 (template will be provided).

See more information below.
FAQs

1. Can I submit more than one application?
   Yes, you can apply for multiple projects (i.e. you may apply for two Track 1 projects). However, if you are seeking funds totaling $5,000 or more, you must apply for funding through Track 2.

2. Can I apply with other clinics/organizations?
   Yes. If you are submitting for a group project, only submit one application and one budget. You must select a lead organization who will sign the MOU and receive the funds.

3. What paperwork is required?
   - You will be asked to sign a Memorandum of Understanding.
   - You will need to submit a W9.
   - Track 2 awardees must submit quarterly invoices.
   - All awardees must submit a final report due within 30 days of project completion or by May 30, 2024, whichever is earlier. This report will include:
     - Summary of activities, including how many people were reached.
     - Financial Report
       - Track 1: Any report format showing expenditure of funds.
       - Track 2: Budget to Actuals report using provided template.

4. How are applications being reviewed?
   Applications will be reviewed by I-VAC faculty and scored based on the project proposal submitted and anticipated impact. ICAAP seeks to distribute funds throughout the state equally.

5. How many awards will be given out?
   This will vary, but ICAAP has up to $200,000 in funding available for these awards.

6. Who can I contact if I have more questions?
   If you have any questions, please contact Caroline Werenskjold (cwerenskjold@illinoisaap.com).

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