

**Prescription Drug Overdose: Data-Driven Prevention Initiative (DDPI) - 16-1606**  
**Frequently Asked Questions**

Can states receiving funding under prescription drug overdose: prevention for states (CE15-1501) or prescription drug overdose or boost for state prevention (CE14-1404) receive funding under CDC-RFA-CE16-1606?

*States receiving funds from Prevention for States (CE15-1501) or Boost for State Prevention (CE14-1404) are not eligible for any of the funding under 16-1606.*

There is a requirement for a full-time evaluator (page 28). Our reading of this part of the FOA implies the evaluator will be exclusively engaged in evaluation activities. In other words, an additional, separate full-time person would be required to attend to all the other grant requirements listed in the preceding sentence (e.g. program implementation, surveillance, program and performance management, etc.). Please detail the roles and responsibilities of the full-time evaluator, and the skills and experience that the CDC is looking for in this position. Is there a preference for the evaluator to be a staff position or an external contractor?

*The FOA states full-time or full-time equivalent, meaning you could have a combination of staff (2 @50% of their time, etc.). There is no distinction between a staff position or an external contractor; whatever works best for the state. CDC cannot give specifics on the skill sets needed for the application; qualified staff should be able to work on the outcomes the state is proposing in their application.*

Was the (CDC-RFA-CE16-1606) informational conference call on 04/19/2016, transcribed? If so, how can we access a copy?

*CDC does not transcribe the informational calls because only information available in the FOA is presented. Questions are recorded and amended to the FOA.*

The State Medical Examiner is a department within the State Department of Justice. Would the Department of Justice be considered a "bona fide agent", or could it be?

*The state health department (SHD) would need to make the Department of Justice a bona fide agent (or any other organization). That process is different in every state, but the SHD should be able to assist and generate a letter for your application.*

For the data and planning component, is there an expectation of having data integration accomplished? Or are MOUs and MOAs sufficient?

*MOUs and MOAs are sufficient.*

Could you please re-state what is reflected on page 28 of the FOA with regard to funding levels for the Planning and Data component?

*The **base** component is \$250K to \$300K annually, if the state applies for and is awarded the **advanced** component the state could receive up to an additional \$450K to do that work.*

The work plan is 20 pages, and the enhanced component with the work plan for that is an additional 15 pages. As you stated the information on pages 26 and 33 of the FOA are not consistent, but there is more confusion and inconsistency offered again on page 35. Is there a limit to the page limits for the work plans alone for each component?

*Page 33 has the best description for page counts, 20 pages for the P&D and 15 pages for PIA. There are no limits on the work plan itself, the state can decide on counts for the project narrative and work plan – since they are together – **as long as the total pages do not go over the limits** set for each component; **20 pages for P&D and 15 pages for PIA.***