**CPWI Cohort 7 Expansion**

**RFA No. 2021HCA4**

**Amendment No. 1**

**Date Issued:**

**To:** RFA Applicants

**From:** Cassie Bryden, RFA Coordinator

**Purpose:** Miscellaneous corrections, provide the recorded Pre-Application Webinar with HCA responses, and notify interested parties of the WEBS registration requirement.

This amendment hereby modifies and is attached to RFA No. 2021HCA4. All other terms, conditions, and specifications remain unchanged.

The above referenced solicitation is amended as follows:

1. **The Eligible High-Need Communities list on page 5 of the RFA document is replaced with the following:**

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| County | Community/School District/HSAA\*\* Name | ESD |
| Adams | Lind | 101 |
| Benton | Finley | 123 |
| Chelan | Manson | 171 |
| Clallam | Port Angeles | 114 |
| Clark | Vancouver: Columbia River HS\*\* | 112 |
| Clark | Vancouver: Skyview HS\*\* | 112 |
| Cowlitz | Kalama | 112 |
| Cowlitz | Kelso | 112 |
| Douglas | Bridgeport | 171 |
| Douglas | Eastmont | 171 |
| Grant | Soap Lake | 171 |
| Grant | Warden | 171 |
| Grant | Royal | 105 |
| Grant | Ephrata | 171 |
| Grays Harbor | Oakville | 113 |
| Grays Harbor | Ocosta | 113 |
| Grays Harbor | Elma | 113 |
| Grays Harbor | North Beach | 113 |
| Jefferson | Quilcene | 114 |
| King | Enumclaw | 121 |
| King | Federal Way | 121 |
| Kitsap | South Kitsap | 114 |
| Kittitas | Kittitas | 105 |
| Klickitat | White Salmon | 112 |
| Lincoln | Wilbur | 101 |
| Lincoln | Davenport | 101 |
| Okanogan | Okanogan | 171 |
| Okanogan | Methow Valley | 171 |
| Okanogan | Tonasket | 171 |
| Okanogan | Oroville | 171 |
| Pacific | Raymond | 113 |
| Pierce | Orting | 121 |
| Pierce | Eatonville | 121 |
| Pierce | White River | 121 |
| Pierce | Fife | 121 |
| Pierce | Tacoma: Mount Tahoma HS\*\* | 121 |
| Pierce | Tacoma: Stadium HS\*\* | 121 |
| Pierce | Tacoma: Lincoln HS\*\* | 121 |
| Pierce | Sumner | 121 |
| Skagit | Burlington-Edison | 189 |
| Snohomish | Sultan | 189 |
| Snohomish | Granite Falls | 189 |
| Snohomish | Lakewood | 189 |
| Snohomish | Edmonds: Mountlake Terrace HS\*\* | 189 |
| Spokane | Deer Park | 101 |
| Spokane | West Valley (Spokane) | 101 |
| Spokane | Riverside | 101 |
| Spokane | Medical Lake | 101 |
| Spokane | Spokane: Ferris HS\*\* | 101 |
| Stevens | Colville | 101 |
| Thurston | Rainier | 113 |
| Thurston | Yelm | 113 |
| Thurston | Rochester | 113 |
| Walla Walla | Waitsburg | 123 |
| Whitman | Colfax | 101 |
| Yakima | Mabton | 105 |
| Yakima | Naches Valley | 105 |
| Yakima | Grandview | 105 |
| Yakima | Granger | 105 |
| Yakima | East Valley (Yakima) | 105 |
| Yakima | West Valley (Yakima) | 105 |
| Yakima | Selah | 105 |

1. **Exhibit B, *Existing HCA/DBHR CPWI Coalitions*, on page 28 of the RFA document is replaced with the following:**

| CPWI Coalition Community or High School Service Area (HSSA) | County | Educational Service District (ESD) |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Othello | Adams | 101 |
| Clarkston | Asotin | 123 |
| Benton City Kennewick  Prosser | Benton | 123 |
| Wenatchee | Chelan | 114 |
| Crescent School District Forks | Clallam | 114 |
| Central Vancouver  Washougal  West Vancouver | Clark | 112 |
| Dayton | Columbia | 123 |
| Castle Rock  Longview | Cowlitz | 112 |
| Waterville | Douglas | 171 |
| Republic | Ferry | 101 |
| Pasco School District | Franklin | 123 |
| Pomeroy | Garfield | 123 |
| Moses Lake Quincy Wahluke | Grant | 171 |
| Aberdeen Hoquiam | Grays Harbor | 113 |
| Oak Harbor South Whidbey | Island | 189 |
| Chimacum Port Townsend | Jefferson | 113 |
| Auburn  North Highline  Central Seattle  SE Seattle  SW Seattle  Vashon | King | 121 |
| Bremerton  North Kitsap | Kitsap | 114 |
| Cle-Elum/Roslyn Ellensburg | Kittitas | 105 |
| Goldendale  Klickitat/Lyle | Klickitat | 105 |
| Centralia Morton/White Pass | Lewis | 113 |
| Reardon | Lincoln | 101 |
| North Mason (Belfair) Shelton | Mason | 113 |
| Omak | Okanogan | 171 |
| Long Beach South Bend | Pacific | 112 |
| Cusick  Newport Selkirk | Pend Oreille | 101 |
| Bethel School District  City of Lakewood Franklin-Pierce | Pierce | 121 |
| San Juan | San Juan | 189 |
| Concrete  Mt. Vernon  Sedro Woolley | Skagit | 189 |
| Stevenson-Carson | Skamania | 112 |
| Darrington Marysville  Monroe | Snohomish | 189 |
| Cheney  East Valley  NE Spokane Shadle Park West Central | Spokane | 101 |
| Springdale Wellpinit | Stevens | 101 |
| Tenino  Tumwater | Thurston | 113 |
| Cathlamet | Wahkiakum | 112 |
| Walla Walla | Walla Walla | 123 |
| Bellingham  Ferndale Mt. Baker | Whatcom | 189 |
| Tekoa | Whitman | 101 |
| Highland  Sunnyside  Wapato  White Swan Yakima | Yakima | 105 |

1. **The Pre-Application Webinar, held April 26, 2021, can be viewed at:** [**https://youtu.be/PMc6f8vzLbs**](https://youtu.be/PMc6f8vzLbs)**. The Power Point slides will be posted simultaneous to this RFA Amendment 2, but as a separate document titled: RFA 2021HCA4 - Pre-Application Webinar Power Point Slides.**

**All questions received during the Pre-Application Webinar, and HCA’s responses are listed below:**

| **#** | **RFA**  **Section** | **Bidder Question** | **HCA Response** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **1.** | High-Need Community List for CPWI Cohort 7 (Exhibit A) | Are only communities on the list eligible to apply? | Yes, the RFA is restricted to only the high-need communities listed in Exhibit A on page 27 of the application. |
| **2.** | Exhibit A | If the high need communities that are listed for the county aren’t going to apply can another community in the county apply instead? | At this time, HCA works through a risk ranking process to identify the highest needs sites and only those high need communities in Exhibit A are eligible for this specific funding announcement. HCA is committed to getting to all potential communities and high-need sites as we continue to grow and expand the prevention system. |
| **3.** | Amendment 2 WEBS Registration | How is notification for being an Apparent Successful Applicant (ASA) done? | This will be a notification through the WEBS system. It is required that all Applicants register in WEBS to receive that notification. There will be follow up emails/information from HCA to confirm you were an ASA. |
| **4.** | 1.1.2 - Source of Funding | Who is the source of federal funding? | State Opioid Response and the Substance Abuse Block Grant. |
| **5.** | 1.8 - Scope of Work | Can town halls be held electronically/live? | Yes, we have had lots of adaptations to a virtual environment because of the pandemic. We will provide technical assistance and support as you start with this contract to answer questions you may have about doing these programs and services virtually. |
| **6.** | 1.8 - Scope of Work | Office space requirement: Does a coordinator's office have to be located in a community/in school district’s boundaries? | Yes, there is the requirement to ensure the coordinator has office space in the identified high-need community. There may be specific case by case situations where exceptions can be made. |
| **7.** | 1.1.3 - Maximum Funding | How many new CPWI coalitions will be in cohort 7. | HCA intends to award 10-20 new communities for Cohort 7. |
| **8.** | 1.8.1. - Required Community Coalition Strategies and Activities | If a community doesn’t have an established coalition how can they still apply with sector support? | If you are a brand new community that has not done a lot of capacity building work yet, there will need to be work done with the sectors to get this filled out. You can engage key leaders/partners in your community who are on the sector list to get an informal commitment of the coalition. As you are awarded and as the coordinator gets hired, it’s okay that those individuals could change over time. |
| **9.** | 2.1.2.  Pre-Application Webinar | Will we get the slides to this Power Point? | The Power Point is listed under handouts and will be posted with the Q&A responses from this webinar. |
| **10.** | Exhibit A | Is there a complete ranking list for all communities in WA? | Yes |
| **11.** | Webinar Q & A Period | What is the formula for ranking communities? | We compile the rankings using mental health and substance use measures from Healthy Youth Survey and other state administrative data sources for data on crime, school success, and population rates. These measures are standardized and combined using the mean to rank the school districts by overall risk scores and assign percentile rankings. Risk Rankings are available online by county at: <https://www.theathenaforum.org/cpwi_coalitions>. |
| **12.** | 1.1.5. - Eligible Entities | Are applicants and fiscal agents the same entity? Are ESDs applicants? | Applicants and fiscal agents are the same entity for purposes of this RFA. ESDs are eligible applicants. |
| **13.** | Amendment 2 WEBS Registration | A WEBS vendor account is required to download RFA and I don't have access to that or the info needed to create an account. Is there a way to see the eligible community list without a WEBS account? | If you do not have a WEBS account, go to https://www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/bids-and-contracts and scroll down to Request for Applications and find the application there. |
| **14.** | Amendment 2 WEBS Registration | How can you request a WEBS account if the CBO is no longer a part of the agency and they are the only account holder? | Email the WEBS customer service webscustomerservice@des.wa.gov for support. HCA does not maintain the WEBS system. |
| **15.** | 1.1.5. - Eligible Entities | Can an agency apply for more than 1 site within your region? | HCA will recognize a coalition as a single organization, understanding that they may need to use a fiscal agent to receive grant funds. An organization that acts a fiscal agent for multiple high-need community coalitions is allowable. |
| **16.** | 1.1.5. - Eligible Entities | Can you explain how multiple organizations can collaborate on an application? | If there is an already existing fiscal agent supporting a CPWI in your community, it is advised to collaborate and work out the service area and infrastructure to provide the strongest application possible. We expect there to be coordination not competition. Counties have typically been the primary fiscal agent for many years, and you will typically find collaborative efforts in the coalitions. ESDs and school districts commonly collaborate on an application. In addition, some fiscal agents subcontract a portion of the grant, so you might have a primary applicant and outline in your application that you intend to contract with a particular agency. |
| **17.** | 1.8 - Scope of Work | Remote offices due to covid: is there flexibility on this rule due to covid? | HCA understands that people may be working from home due to the pandemic, however, there is the requirement to ensure the coordinator has office space in the community and is prepared to do so when restrictions are lifted. There may be specific case by case situations where exceptions can be made. |
| **18.** | Existing HCA/DBHR Community and Wellness Initiative (CPWI) Coalitions  (Exhibit B) | How do you find out if a county already has a coalition? | Existing CPWI coalitions are on Exhibit B of the RFA.  Drug Free Communities are listed on the DFC website. There may be other task forces and grass root efforts that exist and you may learn about them through behavioral health providers, public health departments, your Educational Service District partners, or other sources. |
| **19.** | Exhibit A | In the PDF that’s on the presentation we couldn’t see all the communities | The RFA posted on WEBS as well as the HCA Bids and Contracts page shows the high-need community list. The Powerpoint slides were animated and did not show this well. Please refer to the RFA. |
| **20.** | Exhibit A | The RFA list on page 5 and Exhibit A look different. | The format of these two tables differ for spacing. However, there was one error which will be correct in the next amendment. |
| **21.** | 1.1.5. - Eligible Entities | Can we contract with a Tribe? | Yes, Tribes are eligible entities. We would ask that there is one primary applicant as the fiscal agent and the partnership be developed between the two entities. |
| **22.** | 1.1.5. - Eligible Entities | If an organization is an existing DFC will they have to do address any funding overlaps to use the same coalition? | Yes, HCA will assess this during the scoring and evaluation if you are an existing DFC. We want to ensure we are not supplanting but enhancing services. This has worked very well where there is strong collaboration with both funding sources. |
| **23.** | 1.1.5. - Eligible Entities | Are health departments eligible fiscal agents? | Health departments are eligible fiscal agents. |
| **24.** | 1.1.5. - Eligible Entities | As a health department would it be more beneficial to support rural resources to apply for the Colville area or to apply separately? | If there is an already existing fiscal agent supporting a CPWI in your community, it is advised to collaborate and work out the service area and infrastructure to provide the strongest application possible. We expect there to be coordination not competition. |
| **25.** | 1.1.5. - Eligible Entities | Would it be a good idea to reach out to the ESD who is already working with 5 other coalitions in the area? | Yes, it is advised to collaborate and work with the ESD to discuss the application and high-need community to provide the strongest application possible. |
| **26.** | 1.2 - Estimated Schedule of Procurement Activities | If the RFA is amended will it be listed on the HCA website? | All amendments will be cross posted in WEBS and on the HCA Bids and Contracts page. |
| **27.** | 2.2 - Submission of Applications | Does the application go to an email or only on the WEBS account? | The application should be submitted to [hcaprocurements@hca.wa.gov](mailto:hcaprocurements@hca.wa.gov) with the subject line: RFA 2021HCA4 - Cassie Bryden, per the front page of the RFA. |
| **28.** | Webinar Q & A Period | How are announcements shared out to communities who qualify? What type of communication has each eligible high needs community received? How have you ensured that they know about this? | HCA attempts to do as much outreach to our partners as possible, including posting the RFA link in newsletters, announcing at Learning Community Meetings, and sharing with state, county and regional partners. |
| **29** | 1.1.2. - Sources of Funding | We already have a school-based program at one of the identified schools that is supported by Medicaid funding.  Can we blend funding? | Medicaid funding is not considered local funding, so cannot be used as in-kind nor the cash match requirement for Year 1 and Year 2 of the SAP program. |

1. **The following additions/modifications are made regarding the requirement to register in Washington’s Electronic Business Solution system:**
   1. **RFA *Cover Page*:**

***NOTE:*** *All Applicants/Bidders are required to register as a ‘vendor’ on Washington’s Electronic Business Solution (WEBS) site* ***BEFORE*** *submitting their Application.* ***ONLY*** *Applications received from Applicants registered in WEBS will be considered responsive.*

*If you need assistance in the vendor registration process, you can review the* [*WEBS Vendor Registration "how to" videos on YouTube*](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLD47B8AEA63E745AC)*. If you need additional assistance, please contact WEBS Customer Service at* [*webscustomerservice@des.wa.gov*](mailto:webscustomerservice@des.wa.gov)*.*

*If you download this RFA from the Health Care Authority website or WEBS, you are responsible for monitoring the posting for updates and new amendments.*

* 1. **2.2, *Estimated Schedule of Procurement Activities*:**

Applicants are required to register as a vendor in Washington’s Electronic Business Solution (WEBS) site~~,~~ at <https://fortress.wa.gov/ga/webs/>. Once registered you will be provided access to download a copy of this RFA document and view any Amendments issued by HCA, which may modify the terms of this RFA.

**Please note:** All communication regarding this solicitation must be submitted to [hcaprocurements@hca.wa.gov](mailto:hcaprocurements@hca.wa.gov) and reference **“RFA 2021HCA4 - Cassie Bryden”**, in the subject line.

All other communication will be considered unofficial and non-binding on HCA. Communication directed to parties or individuals other than the RFA Coordinator may result in disqualification of the potential Applicant.

**Reminder:** Questions are **due each Thursday by 4 p.m. pacific time,** through May 13, 2021.