# **Funding Opportunity**

Activities to Increase Engagement of Community Based Organizations in Maternal Mortality Review Committee (MMRC) Processes

Funding Amount: One award, funded up to \$126,000

Project Period: Anticipated\*: April 15, 2025 – September 15, 2025

\*Pending contracting timeline

**Eligibility:** This opportunity is open to all NNPHI members, with a preference for tribal-focused public health institutes, tribal organizations, tribal-serving organizations, and consultants with a documented history working with tribes and tribal communities.

**Application Deadline**: March 21st, 2025 11:59 pm PT

## **Opportunity**

NNPHI is seeking a tribally-led implementation partner to work alongside CDC, CDC Foundation and other partners to increase engagement of community based organizations (CBOs) in Maternal Mortality Review Committee (MMRC) processes. This opportunity will explore the need, interest, capacity and applicability of maternal mortality review committees in tribal spaces.

#### Scope of Work

- 1. Participate in internal orientation education with NNPHI, CDC and other partners.
- 2. Develop and/or present content for a session focused on MMRCs at NNPHI's annual conference in June 2025 in Minneapolis, MN.
- Develop a resource "map" of federal agencies and programs that serve various aspects of
  maternal health to provide a holistic picture of federal opportunities for tribes/tribal
  orgs/UIOs and others and provide recommendations of how MMRCs can fit into existing
  infrastructure.
- 4. Contribute to the development process of performance measures for future work on implementing MMRCs through an Indigenous lens.
- 5. Attend the tribal Partner Meetings and other events that may be relevant to the project.

### **Selection Criteria**

- 1. Demonstrated capacity to implement project within performance period.
- **2.** Documented expertise working with tribal communities, maternal and child health initiatives and/or mortality/fatality review committees.

- 3. Experience working on performance measures
- 4. Availability to attend the April tribal Partners meeting in Atlanta, GA.
- 5. Completeness of proposal. *Note: incomplete proposals will not be reviewed.*
- 6. Reasonable cost and justification for costs.

**Questions:** Applicants may submit questions to Hsimon@NNPHI.org. Questions will be accepted until February 21, 2025 at 5 pm PT. Questions will not be answered after the deadline.

Application Review: Applications will be reviewed by a panel of NNPHI staff.

**Notice to Applicants:** Please be advised that NNPHI reserves the right to modify the terms of the RFP with reasonable notification to all interested parties. This RFP and any related discussions or evaluations by anyone create no rights or obligations whatsoever. NNPHI may cancel or delay this solicitation at any time at its own discretion. Anything to the contrary notwithstanding, the contract executed by NNPHI and the selected applicant, if any, will be the exclusive statement of rights and obligations extending from this solicitation. Applicants are further advised that all information submitted in response to this solicitation shall remain in the public domain.

**About NNPHI:** Mobilizing 50-member public health institutes with over \$2.2 billion in annual funding, NNPHI connects more than 12,000 subject matter experts with organizational partners across the nation. With an expansive organizational presence and activities across all 50 states, the national network is a go-to resource for analysis and best practices. NNPHI also provides important network connections for communities, government agencies, foundations, the health care delivery system, media, and academia.

About CDC Foundation: The CDC Foundation helps the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) save and improve lives by unleashing the power of collaboration between CDC, philanthropies, corporations, organizations and individuals to protect the health, safety and security of America and the world. The CDC Foundation is the go-to nonprofit authorized by Congress to mobilize philanthropic partners and private-sector resources to support CDC's critical health protection mission. Since 1995, the CDC Foundation has raised over \$2.2 billion and launched more than 1,400 programs impacting a variety of health threats from chronic disease conditions including cardiovascular disease and cancer, to infectious diseases like rotavirus and HIV, to emergency responses, including COVID-19 and Ebola. The CDC Foundation managed hundreds of programs in the United States and in nearly 80 countries last year. Currently, in partnership with NNPHI and other stakeholders, the CDC Foundation is committed to strengthening maternal health initiatives, ensuring that tribal communities and community-based organizations have the tools and support needed to engage in Maternal Mortality Review Committee (MMRC) processes. Follow the CDC Foundation on Facebook, LinkedIn, Instagram, X/Twitter and TikTok.

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**How to Apply:** Submit your application (no more than 3 pages not including cost estimate and staffing) to <a href="mailto:Hsimon@NNPHI.org">Hsimon@NNPHI.org</a> no later than 11:59pm PT on March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025. Late submissions will not be accepted, and incomplete applications will not be reviewed.

## **Required Information**

Legal Name of Organization/Agency/Individual:

SAM.gov registration number:

Negotiated Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (NICRA): if applicable

Contact Person for matters related to this application:

Applicants contact email address:

Applicants contact phone number:

- 1. Please introduce yourself.
  - a. Briefly describe your organization's history working on tribal public health projects and, if applicable, maternal and child health initiatives.
  - b. Share about your commitment to improving maternal mortality outcomes in Indian Country.
  - c. Describe your familiarity with Maternal Mortality Review Committees or Fatality/Mortality Review Committee more broadly.
- 2. Describe your experience developing resource maps/libraries. This does not need to be specific to maternal and child health programs.
  - a. What are specific tools or search terms you would use to identify these existing resources.
- 3. Describe your experience developing performance measures.
  - a. Have you developed performance measures collaboratively in the past?
  - b. How have you navigated the balance of requiring flexibility in performance measures and ensuring consistency?
- 4. Please share information about the staff / team members who will be engaged in the work, including:
  - a. Who will be the lead/primary point of contact?
  - b. Description of the time/capacity key staff will have to engage in the work
- 5. Additional Items (these are not included in the 3-page limit)
  - a. Cost estimate: Please provide a time and materials (T&M) or percentage of FTE budget and budget narrative that aligns with the scope of work and is prepared according to the CDC Budget Preparation Guidelines. If T&M applicable for

you/your organization and aligns with your proposed work responding to this RFP accurately, you may provide a T&M budget that meets the Consultant Costs requirements in the CDC Budget Preparation Guidelines

- i. Note that the determination of the agreement classification (i.e. subaward or a contract) of selected applicants will be made upon NNPHI review of applicants' submitted proposals, scopes of work, and budgets.
- b. Resumes for key staff who will be engaged.