



Vaccine Access Supplemental Funding Informational Call

APRIL 7, 2021





Housekeeping

- This webinar will be recorded. Slides and a video recording will be posted to the TA Community website: www.ta-community.com
- To submit questions, please use the chat feature.



Agenda

1. Funding Opportunity
2. Use of Grant Funds
3. Key Requirements
4. Discussion
5. Next Steps
6. Additional Resources





ACL and CDC Funding Opportunity





Funding Announcement

On March 29th, President Biden announced that the administration was taking further action to expand access to COVID-19 vaccines. One action included is the partnership between the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Administration for Community Living (ACL).

This supplemental funding opportunity is specifically for current Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRC)/ No Wrong Door (NWD) COVID-19 CARES Act funding grantees.

[Link to White House Fact Sheet](#)



HHS Expanding Access to COVID-19 Vaccines for Older Adults and People with Disabilities

Nearly \$100 million in funding will be distributed as follows:

- State Units on Aging and Area Agencies on Aging (\$50 million)
- Aging and Disability Resource Centers (\$26 million)
- Centers for Independent Living that receive federal funding directly from ACL (\$5 million)
- University Centers of Excellence in Developmental Disabilities (\$4 million)
- Protection and Advocacy systems (\$4 million)
- State Councils on Developmental Disabilities (\$4 million)
- National Hotline support (\$5 million)

[Link to HHS Press Release](#)



Use of Grant Funds





Potential Use of Funds

- Disseminating credible information about COVID-19 vaccines and directing those with questions to additional sources of information
- Identifying people who may need help getting a COVID-19 vaccination, including those who are unable to independently travel to a vaccination site
- Arranging or providing accessible transportation to COVID-19 vaccination sites
- Addressing accessibility needs at vaccination sites or post-vaccination recovery needs
- Helping with scheduling a COVID-19 vaccination appointment including through statewide websites, 211 or in-person



Potential Use of Funds cont.

- Coordinating with local health departments and other entities to increase access to vaccines and connect about in-home vaccination options
- Outreach and education to older adults and people with disabilities about the importance of receiving the vaccine
- Addressing inequity in COVID-19 vaccination access among older adults, family caregivers, and aging network staff and volunteers from communities defined by race, ethnicity, geography, disability, income, sexual orientation, gender identity, and other factors.



Use of Funds: Partnerships

- This funding is specific to vaccine access support and is encouraged to support all ADRC/NWD partner agencies and community based organizations who may be able to reach the most at-risk individuals.
- Grantees are strongly encouraged to partner and coordinate with state and local agencies for this effort.
- These funds will provide grantees an opportunity to reach all populations, and partner with additional organizations that serve all populations.

Potential Partnerships

State Level Partners:

- Developmental Disabilities Councils
- State Department or Division of Disabilities
- State Assistive Technology Act Programs
- State health department
- State Labor and Workforce Development agency
- State Transportation agency
- State Medicaid Agency
- State Departments supporting Military or Veteran programs
- University Centers for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities (UCEDDs)

Local Level Partners:

- Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs)
- Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRCs)
- Home health agencies
- Health Plans
- Local health departments
- Local transportation providers
- Housing and Urban Development Service Coordinators
- Residential providers
- Employment centers
- Faith-based organizations
- Centers for Independent Living (CILs)
- Other Disability partner
- Advocacy partners
- Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) partners
- Tribal partners
- Other local government partner
- Other community based organizations (CBOs)

Key Requirements



Key Requirements under this emergency FOA include:

- Regular participation in touchpoints with all ADRC/NWD partners and sub-grantees to gather data, discuss progress, challenges, and potential solutions related to vaccination access for older adults and people with disabilities.
- Report to ACL on a semi-annual basis on challenges and successes that have been experienced by all partners and sub-grantees and share ideas and receive technical assistance to address challenges.
- Submit annual progress reports on the activities conducted, challenges, successes, and lessons learned and provide a written summary.
- Spend funds in reasonable timeframe.

Discussion

Please take a minute think
reflect/think.



What role does your network have in vaccine
rollout now?

What are possibilities with this new funding?

What have been some
barriers/solutions?



What are some existing and potential new partnerships related to vaccine rollout?





What excites you most about this funding opportunity?



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<https://www.ta-community.com/>



Next Steps

- **Federal Register Notice posting 4/8/21**
 - **Please note:** the due date listed on the FRN is flexible and applications will be accepted and processed on a rolling basis
- **Application submission process will be communicated via email from nowrongdoor@acl.hhs.gov and your ACL Project Officer**



Save the Date!

All Grantee Webinar

Thursday, April 15th from 3:00 – 4:00





ACL COVID-19 Resources

For additional resources from ACL about COVID-19 please visit: <https://acl.gov/COVID-19>

A recording of today's webinar and updated Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) will be posted to the [TA-Community site](#)



Questions?

