



Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

GRIPP CALL 1: Outbreak ready: Accelerating clinical trial site readiness in LMICS

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PURPOSE

This FAQ guides applicants for the GRIPP Call for Proposals, *Outbreak Ready: Accelerating Clinical Trial Site Readiness in LMICs*. It will be updated regularly based on questions received during the call period.

Q: Must the GloPID-R member funding the clinical trial be part of the consortium?

A: No, the funding member does not need to be part of the consortium.

Q: Are clinical trials funded by GloPID-R observers eligible?

A: No, only clinical trials funded by GloPID-R members listed on the [GloPID-R website](#) are eligible.

Q: For proposals under Action 6 (Ethics and Regulatory), is an organization funded to conduct a clinical trial still required?

A: Yes. All consortia must include at least one organization funded by a GloPID-R member to conduct a clinical trial. In addition, Action 6 proposals must also include a legal entity hosting a national regulatory authority and/or ethics committee in the relevant LMIC(s) as a part of their consortia.

Q: Who can be a lead organization in the consortium?

A: Any organization within the consortium may assume the role of lead administering organization, provided that all overarching consortium eligibility and participation criteria are satisfied.

Q: Can a proposal address more than one of the GAP-CTS Actions (4,6,9)?

A: Yes. While proposals must address at least one Action, they may address multiple Actions where relevant or beneficial to the proposed work.

Q: Can a single consortium (of 2-4 organizations) submit more than one application?

A: Yes. A consortium may submit multiple applications.

Q: Can an organization be in more than one consortium?

A: Yes. An organization may participate in multiple consortia.

Q: Does a consortium need to include organizations currently funded by one of the participating funders (ANRS, DHSC/NIHR, Gates Foundation, NRS/KRIBB, SAMRC)?

A: No. Consortia are not required to include the participating funders or organizations currently funded by them.

Q: Are trials that have just been awarded (contracting phase) eligible?

A: The funding award letter and trial registration in a WHO-compliant registry is requested to be specified in the application form. The trial must be registered by the GRIPP Call 1 deadline (November 14).

Q: Do organizations holding a sub-award from an eligible registered clinical trial satisfy the 'clinical trial' component of the consortium?

A: Yes. Organizations are eligible provided they can supply documentation verifying the sub-award.

Q: What can be included in overhead costs?

A: Projects may request an overhead rate in accordance with the overhead policy of the lead administering organization, up to a maximum of 8%. Given that this call for proposals is not related to conventional research activities, but rather capacity strengthening or adding value to existing clinical trial activities, allowable costs may include items such as staff time, provided that these expenses are clearly justified within the budget proposal.

Q: Is this a multi-stage application process?

A: No, GRIPP Call 1 has a single stage application process.

Q: Can more than 4 organizations be included in one consortium?

A: No. Consortia are limited to a maximum of four organizations. However, you may include additional collaborators descriptively within your application.

Q: Given that the call focuses on low- and middle-income countries, are organizations from high-income countries excluded from participation?

A: No. Organizations worldwide may form consortia and submit proposals for this call. However, to be eligible, a consortium must include at least one organization based in a low- or middle-income country (LMIC).