

Oregon Immunization Program: Hepatitis A Outbreak Prevention Project (HOPP)

Through special funding from the CDC, the Oregon Immunization Program (OIP) is making funds available to local public health authorities (LPHAs) and tribes who can target attention toward prevention of a hepatitis A outbreak. Many hepatitis A outbreaks have and are occurring across the United States. You can read more about those outbreaks [here](#).

The project intent is to protect individuals at very high risk for hepatitis A disease in an effort to prevent outbreaks like those seen across the US in recent years. The target populations for these efforts include:

- People who use drugs (injection or non-injection)
- People experiencing unstable housing or homelessness
- [Men who have sex with men \(MSM\)](#)
- People who are currently or were recently incarcerated
- People with chronic liver disease, including cirrhosis, hepatitis B, or hepatitis C

Funding Quick Facts

- Funding will be competitive, with a maximum of \$50,000 per LPHA. Regional efforts are encouraged. A single fiscal agent for regional efforts is not required.
- Maximum available is \$120,000, with some possibility for additional funds.
- Funding must be spent by June 30, 2020 and will be allocated in monthly via a sub-element to existing Program Element 43 for LPHAs and Program Element 31-03 for Tribal Public Health Preparedness agencies.

In addition to your routine monthly Program Element reporting, project update requests will be sent three to four times during the grant period via a survey request.

Timeline:

Deadline for CLHO CD feedback:	August 30
Send to Big CLHO for approval (Kathleen):	September 5
Big CLHO deadline for feedback/approval:	September 11
Release to LPHAs and Tribes:	September 12
CHLO CD Meeting – discuss/Q&A:	September 13
Clarifications sent to all:	September 15
Applications due:	September 30
Scoring:	October 1-2
Awards Announced:	October 3
Monthly funding begins:	November

In addition to making these funds available, OIP will also fund vaccine needed for your activities, including Hepatitis A, and other vaccines as needed (e.g. flu, Tdap). If accessing vaccine from OIP, all rules and regulations about vaccine storage, handling, administration, and accountability apply.

Should the need arise, these funds can be redirected in response to other vaccine preventable disease outbreaks or emergencies, with OIP permission.

Regional cross-county collaborations are strongly encouraged. For ideas from your neighboring counties and other states, please click [here](#).

Funds may be used for the following; if you have ideas for other activities, please reach out to us:

- Staffing/consultants/contract help for outreach, education, vaccine administration, etc.
- Vaccine storage and/or handling equipment and supplies (syringes, bandages, etc.)
- Pass through funds to assist existing service providers with equipment, supplies, etc.
- Hosting educational events/community outreach for at risk communities (including childcare & transportation)
- Events targeting service or medical providers, emergency response and/or other communities
- Educational outreach (print, online, radio/TV)

We may also be able to fund incentives (e.g. wellness bags, food vouchers, clothing), but you will need to add that as a separate item in your request. We will let you know if that funding is available after the funding request closes.

Funding scoring priorities:

- An existing immunization delivery infrastructure is in place (e.g. current vaccine administration, storage, handling expertise, existing familiarity and use of ALERT IIS).
- Existing partnership with key providers (corrections, community based housing, needle exchange, etc.)
- Project (actual vaccine administration) can start within 45 days of award.

Application Process:

When you are ready, please click [here](#). You will be required to complete an online form with the following information. You must also attach a complete project description and budget (no more than two pages) to the online form.

1. Basic demographics
2. A brief description of your project (one or two sentences)

3. An attached two-page maximum document describing the project, the partners you will work with, and your timeline.
4. The amount of funds you are requesting (excluding any funds needed for "incentives")
5. The amount of funds you would request for incentives (we may be able to acquire funding for this, but no guarantees)