

Global Health Grants Frequently Asked Questions

- 1. What is the grant application process?** Each grant has a step-by-step application process, as well as steps that must be taken after the grant is awarded. Prior to applying for a grant, please review our grant guidelines included in the Request for Application (RFA) to make sure your organization and proposed work are eligible for funding. The application process section of the RFA will provide instructions and links to access the online application and reporting system.
- 2. What is the deadline for application?** Global Health will send out the RFA with deadlines for each grant. We are not able to process unsolicited applications. However, a concept note and letter of intent can be submitted for consideration year-round. This will enable potential grantees to be included in the next round calling for applications.
- 3. What type of organization can apply for grants?** Our grantmaking focus is on faith-based nonprofit organizations holding 501(c)(3) designations with a physical presence in the location of operation. We do not provide grants to:
 - organizations that discriminate on the basis of race, creed, gender, sexual orientation, or disability;
 - private foundations;
 - for-profit organizations;
 - individuals;
 - expenses incurred prior to grant approval by the Global Ministries' Board of Directors;
 - medical research or coalition agency appeals;
 - academic or scientific research projects;
 - other grant-making agencies or foundations who distribute funds to organizations or other programs selected by such agencies or foundations;
 - support of fundraising events or advertising for an organization;
 - non-project related general operating expenses or salaries, except in exceptional circumstances;
 - reserve funds or debt elimination; or
 - in general, state and federal government entities that are ineligible for funding.
- 4. Can I apply for a multiyear grant?** As a general rule, grants are made on a year-to-year basis, with each grant requiring an application and a formal review. However, applicants may seek annual renewal of support for a previously funded project or purpose. Regardless of the duration of a grant, no grant funds may be used for expenses incurred prior to the date of grant approval by Global Ministries' Board. Additionally, each grant approved by the Global Ministries will require periodic reporting on the use of the grant. Only one grant will be approved per organization per year for each program.
- 5. What is the requirement for counterpart/matching funds?** Global Health strives to assure that its limited resources are allocated to the highest valued uses. Prospective applicants should be aware that organizations which demonstrate local contribution in monetary terms or in-kind will

be given preference in grant awards.

- 6. What types of activities can be supported?** Global Health awards grants to support projects that demonstrate effective approaches to health issues rather than untested trials. Global Health supports work across six different program areas (malaria; HIV; maternal, newborn, and child health; health system strengthening; nutrition; and substance abuse prevention and recovery).
- 7. What are the types of health projects that Global Health grants support?** Global Health provides funds to support the following broad categories of projects:
- **Project Grants** – support a specific, connected set of activities that have explicit objectives, predetermined time frames and costs. Applicants may include relevant administrative and overhead costs if those amounts are not higher than 20 percent of the overall budget.
 - **Operational Grants** – support ongoing operations of an organization, including the regular personnel, administrative, and office expenses of existing programs. The Global Health unit will only provide operational grant to UMC health offices.
 - **Capital/Hospital Revitalization Grants** – intended to facilitate the construction of and repairs to physical facilities, and the acquisition of equipment by an organization. Capital grant requests for construction projects may also include the costs of related technical services, such as legal, architectural, and engineering activities. Periodically, the Global Health unit will set priorities for capital grants in specific program areas or may suspend capital funding altogether. For capital grants, priority currently is restricted to UMC mission hospitals that are able demonstrate the hospital is viable and sustainable.