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### **BRIC Year 3-related**

#### **At what point will states know their final award amount?**

We have asked states to notify NACDD of their decision no later than October 31, 2022. As such, states who are moving forward in BRIC Y3 will know their final award amount by the first week of November.

#### **What is the period of performance for BRIC Y3?**

Similar to years 1 and 2 of BRIC, the Y3 period of performance will be January 1 – December 31, 2023.

#### **Do states need to stretch their Y3 efforts across the full year, through December 31, 2023?**

No. The January 1 – December 31, 2023 period of performance is flexible. If the decided upon efforts take only six months, that is OK. If you anticipate your period of performance will be less than the 12 months, please communicate that with NACDD, as that will have invoicing and progress reporting implications.

#### **Will there be an option to do a No Cost Extension (NCE) in Year 3, beyond December 2023?**

Because NACDD is in the 5<sup>th</sup> and final year of our 5-year CSTLTS cooperative agreement, programs will not have blanket approval for an NCE. Instead, we will need to submit a request for an NCE, which will be considered on a case-by-case basis. We recommend aiming to complete Y3 activities by December 2023.

#### **Do states have to spread funds across all communities they're currently working with?**

No. Based on their Y2 SAP/CAP(s), states must select an activity or set of activities to make up their reduced scope of work for BRIC Y3. States' scope of work must include some level of community work (e.g., in a minimum of one community). For example, if you choose to wrap up/complete a state-level activity(ies), you must also identify at least one aspect of community-level work as part of your scope of work. On the other hand, you may identify only a community-level activity(ies) as part of your scope of work for BRIC Y3.

#### **Can states ask their community partner(s) to submit a CAP to the state, even if NACDD is not requiring it?**

Yes, this is OK. If collecting a CAP(s) from your community partner(s) was part of your prior process and you would like to maintain that, please do. All we need states to do is identify which 1+ community they're going to be working with in Y3 and which activity(s) they'll be wrapping up on the last page(s) of their Y3 SAP (reference attached slides, SAP section).

#### **To facilitate the contracting process in BRIC Y3, can an existing partner or community-based organization serve as the recipient of BRIC Y3 funds?**

Yes. However, note that all funds must go to a single recipient for ease of contracting. For example, if states are receiving \$35k in BRIC Y3, you cannot have \$25k of that go to a community-based organization and \$10k stay with your state agency. This would require NACDD to have two contracts with two separate organizations in a given state.

#### **If another partner or community-based organization is the fiscal agent, who is responsible for progress reporting?**

The state will be responsible for all progress reporting to keep processes consistent.

**What is the timing of the contracts for Y3?**

Similar to previous years, we will draft the Y3 scope of work and share with states for review. Following that, Crystal will prepare the agreement request forms to initiate processing; this will occur in November, once we have a confirmed list of states that will continue participation into Y3. We will aim to have all contracts executed no later than December 31, 2022.

**With respect to Y3 reporting, what will progress reporting look for states who have requested a Y2 NCE? i.e., Will there be a separate reporting template? Will it be combined?**

We do not have a definite answer re: this, yet. More to come!

**BRIC Year 2-related****In terms of the Y2 period of performance and NCE, do communities need to show if they've spent funds by December 31, 2022, or is it enough for the state agency to have dispersed funds by December 31, 2022?**

When states receive an NCE, it means that the partners and communities they're working with also "receive" an NCE. The period of performance for a Y2 NCE is January 1, 2023 – July 31, 2023. If funds remain within contracts that states have with their partners/communities, those will need to be spent and deliverables completed by July 31, 2023 as well.