Eligibility Requirements

When reviewing a Request for Proposal (RFP), pay close attention to the eligibility requirements. You should always study eligibility information carefully to make sure your project and organization are eligible to apply before you invest too much time in your proposal.

The eligibility information in an RFP will address the considerations or factors that determine applicant or application eligibility, which can be limited by the following:

Applicant and Project Location

Applicant and project locations can be limited by the following:
- Country
- State
- County
- City
- Demographic Served

Number of Submissions

Sponsors may restrict the number of applications they will accept from an applicant The number of submissions allowed may be only 1, 2, 3, etc. or there may not be a set limit.

Applicant Type

501(c)(3)
For-Profit Organization
Historically Black College or University (HBCU)
Individual Applicant
Minority Serving Institution
Non-Profit Organization
Private Institution of Higher Education
Professional Organization
Public/State Controlled Institution of Higher Education
Small Business
State and Local Education Agencies (SEA/LEA)

Principal Investigator

Administrative Staff
Citizenship Status
Date Terminal Degree Completed
Degree Type
Demographic
Effort on Project
Faculty Appointment
Field of Study
Funding Received Previously
Salary
Tenure Status

Other Personnel

The sponsor may restrict the inclusion and eligibility of:
- Contractors
- Co-PI(s)
- Other Collaborators
- Program/Project Director
- Subaward Institutions/Organizations

Other Restrictions

Accreditation Status
Cost Sharing
Duration of Project
Inclusion of Clinical Trials
Inclusion of Human/Animal Subjects
Institution Size
Mandatory Letter of Intent/Pre-Application
Organization Total Revenue/Expenses
Project Type
Type and Number of Degrees Conferred

Use of Funds