North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services Division of Public Health Section/Branch: Chronic Disease and Ingury Section/Cancer Prevention and Control Branch

RFA Questions and Answers

RFA # A422, RFA Title: NC Well Integrated Screening and Evaluation Services for Women Across the Nation (NC WISEWOMAN) Cardiovascular Disease Screening Services Addendum Number: 2

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Questions and Answers (list all questions and answers in numerical order)

- Question: We set our own targets for the budget correct? Provided that we meet or exceed last year's targets, and use all of the money allocated, there's no one saying we can only request or budget up to a certain amount? Answer: Each applicant determines their own budget for each fiscal year of the twenty-four month program period. The total funding available for each fiscal year will be approximately \$48,600, contingent upon federal funding availability. The Cancer Prevention and Control Branch anticipates awarding 2-10 contracts with each averaging \$4,860-\$24,300 annually. Funding is contingent upon program performance and availability of funds.
- Is DHHS able to provide a summary of how well we met the Performance Indicators and Benchmarks for Oct 1, 2023 – September 30, 2024, and Oct 1, 2024 – Present? If this is something you already have I would appreciate it, but if not then I can try and get the metrics from our data team.
 Answer: Yes, applicants who have previously applied to implement the program are able to request performance data by emailing the WISEWOMAN Data Manager at <u>Allison.Shuster@dhhs.nc.gov</u>.
- 3. I can see that the application asks us to "Include data on cardiovascular issues for women ages 35-64 (if applicable)." While I can see from past applications that this 35-64 data was available then, the latest data (published between 2023 and August 2024) I've been able to find from places like <u>the CDC</u>, NC DHHS/NC State, <u>the NC Women's Health Report</u>, NC Institute of Medicine, and the <u>Mecklenburg County State of the County Health Report</u>, all have data either on the population in Meck County/NC age 35 and up, or the population at large. The CDC does not seem to publish data on heart disease rates for ages 35-64

currently. Is it acceptable for us to include this data on ages +35? Of course, we have plenty of data on our own patients that falls in the 35-64 bracket. **Answer:** Applicants should use whichever data sources best address the request for application requirements.

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