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City Health Dashboard Data Challenge Application: Q&A Webinar

August 29, 2023

Objectives

- Provide overview of Request for Applications (RFA)
- Review RFA submission guidelines
- Provide feedback on city team questions





Agenda

- Introduction
- Presentation: RFA overview and submission process
- Q&A
- Closing





Overview

- City Health Dashboard:
 - Launched in 2018 and housed at NYU Grossman School of Medicine's Department of Population Health
 - Provides easily accessible and consistently updated data on over 40 measures of health and its drivers for 970+ cities and neighborhoods across the U.S





Overview

Data Challenge:

- Funded by a grant by Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) to NYU, and administered in partnership with Reinvestment Fund as a new data capacity-building effort
- Exclusive to Invest Health City teams
- Engaging up to 10 city teams in a cohort working on locallyresonant equity issues that advance community development using data
- Providing \$80,000 in grant funding and 12-14 months (starting in Nov 2023) of peer support and expert technical assistance with monthly virtual and 1-2 in-person convenings



Overview

- Program objectives include:
 - Support small/midsize
 cities in building data
 capacity to drive change in
 their operations, policies,
 and programs around
 health, equity and
 community development
 - Create a best practices/learning guide for dissemination to other cities





Eligibility

- Invest Health teams are eligible to apply
 - Must have at least a 3-member multi-sector team with a nonprofit lead applicant that can serve as fiscal entity
 - Applicant teams must be available for a virtual panel interview on 10/17 or 10/18 before final selection decisions are made
 - Selected city teams will attend an in-person convening on 11/28/23 in Nashville, TN
 - City teams must be prepared to participate in monthly virtual convenings and up to one additional in-person convening with skilled technical advisors during program



Application Process

- Must submit application via the SmartSimple portal
 - Create an account, upload necessary forms, and complete application
 - Please reach out to <u>Leah.Rusenko@reinvestment.com</u> if you experience technical issues with the portal
- Applications are due by 11:59PM (EST) on Wednesday
 September 20th
- Selected applicants will be invited to interview in October, as well as submit a proposed budget
- Final decisions will be communicated the week of October 26th



Application Process

Applications will be evaluated by a team of reviewers (from Reinvestment Fund, NYU, and reviewers with City Health Dashboard and Invest Health experience) based on the following criteria:

- Established cross-sector collaboration with a strong preference for inclusion of a health care anchor (such as a hospital, health system or payer), a developer/community development corporation, and municipal government
- Clearly articulated, focused, and achievable data questions rooted in equity.
- Clearly established, authentic community engagement
- Understanding and ability to develop data capacity that will enable strategic changemaking
- Clear articulation of how answering these data questions can address equity, policy, systems challenges



Key Dates & Deadlines

2023	
Application Period	August 23 — September 20
Proposals due	September 20 (by 11:59pm EST)
Interviews held	October 17-18
Applicants notified of decisions	Week of October 26
First Data Challenge Convening – Nashville, TN	November 28



Q & A Time

Please direct additional questions to:

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Thank you!