

## Capacity Building Initiative to Advance Health Equity through the Implementation of SDOH Data Exchange using Gravity Standards

### Pilot Site RFP FAQs

To assist organizations with their applications to the [Capacity Building Initiative RFP](#), we put together this FAQ as a follow up to the office hours held on Feb. 9.

#### **Application:**

- There's no word or line limit to responses in the application.
- If we have questions about your responses or need additional information, we will follow-up with you between Feb. 24 – March 17.
- Please email [hpenix@civitasforhealth.org](mailto:hpenix@civitasforhealth.org) with any questions.

#### **Local Community:**

- Projects should have a community focus, solving challenges in their particular community.
  - If a current project is in multiple cities, for the purposes of this proposal, you should focus on one community. There may be opportunities for other cities to participate in the shared learning opportunities.

#### **Teams:**

- Team members can have varying levels of familiarity and prior experience collaborating.
- Teams do not have to be fully formed. Building collaborative relationships across sectors and stakeholders might be one of the challenges your team needs help with.
- Technical assistance and training resources can be focused on issues like governance, data use agreements, policy, etc., if that's what useful for your team.

#### **Technical Capacity:**

- Teams do not have to be currently leveraging Gravity-vetted terminology to document social risk data or exchanging that data but teams should have the capacity to do both.
- Examples of possible systems and tools used to collect, exchange, aggregate, and analyze social care data include screening tools, electronic health record systems, mobile apps, registries, Health Information Exchange (HIE), Community Information Exchange® (CIE) platforms, referral platforms, and integration engines.
- We are agnostic on the content and transport standards or the systems and tools used by teams for this project.
- Please include enough details about your technical capacity so that we understand where you are now and the assistance you might need to achieve your objectives.

#### **Benefits:**

- No direct funding will be offered to selected pilot sites during this phase of the pilots.
- Selected teams will receive support with a readiness assessment, technical assistance based on identified needs, trainings, resources, and support for regional convening of up to 50ppl.
- The funding for the regional convening for pilot teams will include meals for participants, event venue and travel for subject matter experts or TA providers supporting the event. Civitas will assist with logistics. We will work with teams to provide as much or as little guidance on this event as desired/needed by teams.
- Opportunities to inform the development of resources to support implementation.
  - Capturing lessons learned, case studies, community stories.