



## ViiV Healthcare HIV Prevention Fund FAQs

### General questions:

#### **Q. Why is ViiV Healthcare launching the HIV Prevention Fund?**

ViiV Healthcare's mission is to leave no person living with HIV behind and in these uncertain times we remain absolutely committed to ensuring that we deliver on it. In an effort to support communities impacted by HIV and who are leading HIV prevention initiatives, ViiV is launching an HIV Prevention Fund to support community-led and community-driven national and regional efforts to end AIDS by 2030. This fund is specifically being launched by ViiV healthcare's Government Affairs and Global Public Health team, to support its goal of shaping the global HIV policy landscape and to promote prioritisation of and investment in HIV prevention.

#### **Q. What activities will the HIV Prevention Fund cover?**

**A.** ViiV Healthcare is seeking applications from non-governmental organisations, community-based organisations and patient advocacy groups for funding to support their advocacy efforts to ensure that HIV prevention is both sufficiently prioritised in national policy/public health programs and accompanied by the necessary investment required to effectively reduce the incidence of HIV.

Funding areas and themes for the HIV Prevention Grants:

- Civil society driven national advocacy
- National coordination of joint advocacy
- Regional advocacy
- Capacity strengthening

Applicants must provide a plan outlining how their community-based organisation meaningfully engage people living with or affected by HIV in their advocacy efforts to increase access to HIV prevention services.

#### **Q. How to apply to the funds?**

**A.** For more information about the ViiV HIV Prevention Fund including eligibility criteria and how to apply, please click [here](#).

#### **Q. What will happen once an application has been submitted?**

**A.** The request for proposals will open from the 18<sup>th</sup> of July through to the 9<sup>th</sup> of September. The proposals will be reviewed by an internal ViiV Healthcare Government Affairs and Global Public Health Grants and Donations Committee. Successful applicants



will be announced by 01 December 2021. Funding will be dependent on the completion of relevant due diligence and verification processes.

**Q.** Which countries or areas will be eligible to apply for this Fund?

**A.** This HIV Prevention Fund will cover countries that are part of the European Union and the UK, as well as Argentina, China, Brazil, Russia, Peru, Thailand, Indonesia, Mexico, Vietnam, and Ukraine.

**Q.** Do applicants have to be a current grantee of ViiV Healthcare or Positive Action to be eligible for this grant?

**A.** No, applicants do not need to be an existing grantee of Positive Action or Government Affairs & Global Public Health grants, however, they will have to successfully complete ViiV Healthcare's due diligence process.

**Q.** Can organisations submit more than one application?

**A.** Only one application per organisation per funding round. It is possible to submit more than one application if the proposals are part of a coalition of stakeholders/partnership. However, if this is the case, the lead organisation should be different.

### **Application review:**

**Q.** What happens once an application is submitted?

**A.** An internal panel will review applications for eligibility and technical merit. The highest scoring applications will move on to next stage of selection which will be done by the internal ViiV Healthcare Government Affairs and Global Public Health Grants and Donations Committee. Applications will be recommended for funding by the committee and will then move forward to the due diligence.

**Q.** How long does the review process take?

**A.** The review process takes between 1 - 2 weeks after closure of the request for proposals.

**Q:** What happens if an application is not recommended to move forward?

**A.** We have limited funding available and difficult decisions need to be made. Unfortunately, if the application is not recommended to go forward to due diligence verification it means that it will not be considered further for funding.

**Q.** Will applicants receive comments or feedback from the review process?

**A.** Unfortunately, we will be able to provide detailed comments on individual applications.



**Q.** Can applications be resubmitted?

**A.** Unfortunately applications cannot be re-submitted.

**Successful Grants:**

**Q.** What is the maximum amount of funding that will be awarded?

**A.** Grants of up to 70,000 GBP per annum for up to two years will be considered (meaning one-year grant application will also be considered).

**Q:** How will progress be measured?

**A:** Organisations who are awarded funding will be required to define how they will measure the effectiveness of their activities against key performance indicators (KPIs), that will have been outlined as part of their application.

**Q:** How often will grant recipients be required to provide reports related to their agreed deliverables?

**A:** Grantees are required to report on their activities and agreed deliverables against agreed key performance indicators. For one-year grants, this will be at the end of the grant period and for two-year grants this will be at the end of the first year and again at the end of the two-year grant period. The report needs to be submitted on the required reporting template.