

2022 ViiV HEALTHCARE GIPA ACCELERATOR FUND FAQS

General questions:

Q. Why is ViiV Healthcare launching the GIPA Accelerator 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. The GIPA principles, Greater Involvement of People Living with HIV, and the meaningful participation of civil society and key populations, in particular at the community level, have been a vital tool in enabling an effective response to the HIV epidemic. In an effort to support communities impacted by HIV, ViiV is launching a **GIPA Accelerator Fund** to support community-led and community-driven national and regional efforts to end AIDS by 2030. We strongly believe that engaging local communities is critical to addressing the drivers of health inequalities, and therefore strive to promote community responses that change beliefs, attitudes, and behaviours to improve health and rights at the community level. This fund is specifically being launched by ViiV Healthcare's Government Affairs and Global Public Health team, to support its goal of ensuring prioritisation of and investment in HIV treatment and prevention.

Q. What activities will the GIPA Accelerator Fund cover?

A. ViiV Healthcare is seeking applications from non-governmental organisations, community-based organisations and patient/peer advocacy groups for funding to support their advocacy efforts to ensure that People Living with HIV have a voice in healthcare decisions that can and will impact their lives. The **GIPA Accelerator Fund** aims to encourage and support the Greater Involvement of People living with HIV/AIDS (GIPA) principle being put into practice.

Funding areas and themes for the **GIPA Accelerator Fund**:

- Projects that actively demonstrate and support participation of people/communities living with HIV in their care and service delivery
- Projects that demonstrate and/or support meaningful inclusion of people living with HIV (and affected by HIV) in policy dialogue and development (HIV prevention, treatment, and care)
- Projects that effectively empower people living with HIV in developing capacity and capability in treatment advocacy

Q. How to apply to the funds?

A. For more information about the ViiV **GIPA Accelerator 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 08th of November through to the 23rd of November. 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 09 December 2022. 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 GIPA Accelerator Fund will cover countries that are part of the European Union and the UK, as well as Australia, Brazil, Mexico, Taiwan, Thailand, Turkey, Korea, and South Africa.

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 will be considered. 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 and verification process.

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 not 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 for 1 year will 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. Reports for these one-year grants will be due at the end of the grant period.