

State of Nevada
Aging and Disability Services Division (ADSD)
Nevada Assistive Technology Collaborative
2020 NOFO

Questions Received and Answers Provided

Updated 8/23/2019 (9 Questions/Answers)

Q1: If we propose to have volunteers who assist our project with certain activities where do I put their involvement? Unsure is volunteers would be a leveraged resource.

A1: You may have some options to consider for leveraged resources that are not paid with NATC funding. Since Match is not required it is your choice to list if organization/agency decides to describe leverage resources, including funding committed to the project budget by the proposing organization/agency. This has been done before by partners although they may choose not to since match is not required. The narrative could also describe leveraged resources, including volunteers.

Q2: Should a Community Partner Staff Experience & Qualifications form be filled out for each staff person who is paid under the program? Or do we list all and do cumulative years in each category? If a person has both personal and professional AT experience should it be separated?

A2: The intent is that anyone working for the program would describe their knowledge/skills and what parts of the programs they would be working. There is not a question about where someone has obtained the skills. The proposing program needs to determine if the skills that a person has and of course if the skills are appropriate or not for the purpose. An AT user may or may not have the skills and experience necessary to provide services to others.

Q3: If a new partner was selected for the AT Demonstration/Loan/State Leadership services would there be any inventory that would be available to the new partner if funded and if so, what would that look like?

A3: There is an inventory of AT statewide that belongs to the NATC that is currently maintained by existing partners. The AT would be transitioned to the approved partner. Ultimately all NATC devices should be available statewide for demonstration and lending, which includes other NATC partners working collaboratively to meet the needs of Nevadans with disabilities. The expectation is that the NATC partners that are responsible for specific items will maintain and track those devices throughout their participation with NATC. A sample of the inventory can be viewed at <https://tech.nateproject.com/welcome.aspx>. You do not need a login to view items listed.

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Q4: It would be difficult to hire qualified staff and get up and running by October 1st. Would ADSD entertain a phased in approach in order to transition to a potentially new community partner?

A4: Regarding the question of staffing and reference "up and running October 1st", please reference #10 Scoring on page 8 of the NOFO. The section on staffing, within the scoring criteria, references programs that do not currently have staff.

Q5: Who are the Statewide AT Program staff referenced in the NOFO?

A5: The staff would be the personnel working for the organization/agency that the proposal describes. May also want to see Question 2 regarding staff.

Q6: Is \$287,000 amount of funding listed in the email available for all areas?

A6: The funding amounts are described within #3 Eligibility and Funding Availability found on page 5 of each NOFO. The email lists the total funding available for all services combine statewide.

Q7: What are the program services areas?

A7: The program service areas are described within #1 Funding Source and Service Background found on page 4 of each NOFO. Services are split between northern and southern regions to ensure coverage throughout the state efficiently. The northern region includes Carson, Churchill, Douglas, Elko, Eureka, Humboldt, Lander, Lyon, Mineral, Pershing, Storey, Washoe, and White Pine. The southern region includes Esmeralda, Nye, Lincoln, and Clark.

Q8: Is there an inventory of AT that is available and where would it be found?

A8: See the response in Question 2 (Q2).

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Q9: Can the project, if funded, hire independent contractors to deliver certain services?

A9: There is nothing restricting an organization/agency from including independent contractors as part of their proposal. There are certainly times that specific expertise requires such actions, such as bringing in a person that is the lead in that field.

Q10:

A10:

Q11:

A11:

Q12:

A12: