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**Division of Public Health**  
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**RFA Questions and Answers**

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**Questions and Answers** *(list all questions and answers in numerical order)*

- 1. Question: Please confirm this is for one organization only.**

Answer: Only one organization will be funded.

- 2. Question: We serve low socioeconomic status populations (98% of our patients are at or below 200% of the FPG), but not a large number of African Americans. Will this disqualify us from receiving funding?**

Answer: The applications will be scored on criteria such as background, capacity to achieve deliverables, recruitment plan, and letters of commitment and support.

- 3. Question: Do the 20 practices we need to engage need to be our own practices?**

Answer: The organization submitting the application can recruit practices outside their organization to provide quality improvement support in order to fulfill the RFA requirements.

- 4. Question: Can dental clinics be part of the 20 required practices?**

Answer: The practices should be family medicine/internal medicine with adult patients 18 years and above receiving care for chronic conditions such as high blood pressure and diabetes. Dental sites will not fit these criteria.

- 5. Question: I am looking at the Quality Improvement grant and when reading through the application it talks about 10 healthcare practices. Can you give me further details concerning this?**

Answer: We are looking for ONE organization to fund who has demonstrated ability to engage healthcare practices in quality improvement processes. The goal is to:

- Improve clinical processes to increase referrals to diabetes prevention, and diabetes self-management, and
- Enhance clinical identification and management of hypertension and hyperlipidemia.