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Global Grants Program Application Process Frequently Asked Questions

- Who is eligible to apply?
 - The GGP is targeted to ministries of health, statistical agencies, and other relevant agencies at the national, subnational, or municipal levels. NGOs that have ongoing partnerships with government should write to ggpinfo@vitalstrategies.org to determine eligibility.
- Can any country apply for funding?
 - Most low- and middle-income countries are eligible to apply. Please see our <u>website</u> for a complete list of ineligible countries.
- We have a great idea, but we would like to discuss it with you before we prepare our submission.
 - A Microsoft Word template is available for download on our <u>website</u>. We will be happy to provide feedback on your preliminary idea.
- How do we submit an application?
 - O Applications are submitted online <u>Fluxx</u>. A Microsoft Word template of the application is also available for download on our <u>website</u> for applicants who wish to preview the application components or prepare their responses ahead of completing the online form. Only applications submitted via Fluxx are accepted and reviewed.
- What are the elements of an effective application?
 - An effective application must have discrete and measurable deliverables aligned to the objectives of the Data for Health (D4H) Initiative. Please see our <u>website</u> for more information.
- Is there a word or page limit to the application?
 - o Yes, narrative responses for each question are limited to 250 words.
- Do I need to submit additional documentation?
 - Please check with your agency or organization to confirm the documentation required to receive outside financial support.
- What is required for a complete application?
 - A completed application form.
 - A completed and uploaded workplan document. All tabs of the workplan document must be completed, including the implementation plan and activity-based budget.
- How do we know if our application has been submitted properly?
 - You will receive an automated email from Fluxx indicating that your application has been submitted. If you believe that you have submitted your application and have not received an automated message, contact ggpinfo@vitalstrategies.org.



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- Is there a template we should use for the budget?
 - Yes, the GGP provides an activity-based budget template as a section of the workplan documents. A template of the budget is available for download on our website for applicants who wish to preview. It is also available for download as you complete the application online. Only budgets submitted via Fluxx are accepted and reviewed.
- When should I estimate the start date of my project?
 - The application portal will close on December 8, 2025, and the review process will commence. Estimate that your project will start no earlier than April 1, 2026.
- What do I do if I have questions while filling out any part of the application or need assistance with the templates?
 - Refer to the application guidance document on our <u>website</u>. For further assistance, contact <u>ggpinfo@vitalstrategies.org</u>.
- What is a fiscal mechanism?
 - A fiscal mechanism is the method by which project funds are managed. It can be a subgrantee, which is a direct recipient that both implements the project and manages project funds, or a fiscal agent, a third-party entity that acts on behalf of the applicant to perform various fiscal duties.
- Is there funding or time limits to project applications?
 - The GGP supports grant periods of 12-15 months with a maximum award amount of \$100,000. However, shorter-term grants with lower award amounts are encouraged.
 These parameters can change depending on the funding round.
- Am I allowed to request less than the maximum funding amount?
 - Yes, applicants are encouraged to use their best judgement in requesting practical funding amounts necessary to implement a successful application. The budget should reflect thoughtful consideration of true needs and true costs.
- Can the funding request include personnel costs?
 - Yes. However, we expect most of the budget to support project implementation activities. For additional guidance on budgeting personnel costs, please review the budget guidance document in the workplan templates on our <u>website</u>, which details requirements for project personnel and consultants.
- Will grants be renewed at the end of a project?
 - Grants will not be renewed, but country teams may submit applications for subsequent rounds to scale-up work previously funded by the GGP. Submissions for subsequent rounds are reviewed as new applications and are not guaranteed funding.
- Does the GGP provide technical assistance (TA)?
 - The GGP team provides various levels and kinds of TA. The GGP can also connect you to other D4H partners for TA if we are unable to assist. We encourage you to contact ggpinfo@vitalstrategies.org with questions about TA.