



# DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

DIRECTOR'S OFFICE

*Helping people. It's who we are and what we do.*



## Questions & Answers for Notice of Funding Opportunity

### Independent Living, Respite and Positive Behavior Support

Question	Answer
Is the estimated amount available per project period for each award or for the sum of all the awards granted to that category (i.e. PBS)?	The listed amount available per project period is the maximum amount available to award. The sum of all awards must not exceed that amount. For PBS, that amount is \$320,000 per year.
The budget funding limitation section states that a minimum amount of 80% should be allocated for direct services. Would this be 80% of the total budget or 80% of the direct budget (excluding the indirect costs)?	Of the total award, 80% of the total award budget must be utilized for direct services.
UNLV has a federally approved indirect cost rate for federal funding, but we had received DHHS funding for a project last year through the dental school that used the Modified rate of 10%. I am not sure if we were able to use the 10% rate because the funding originated through DPBH or if the UNLV School of Dental Medicine has a negotiated rate for state funding.	If an agency has a federally approved indirect cost rate, that rate will be utilized for this award. If there is no federally negotiated rate, the indirect cannot exceed 10%.
The NOFO states that an organization with a federally approved indirect rate may be used, however negotiated rates in previous years have not exceeded 8%, which is correct and where is it published?	An organization can utilize their federally approved negotiated rate; however, if there is not a federally negotiated rate, for NSHE (UNR and UNLV) have an indirect rate of 8% (Per the GFO All-agency memo issued 8/28/17)
Is this grant available for startup businesses or start up nonprofit organizations? Because I asks that, I used to operate a home healthcare agency where I provide caregiving services. The healthcare agency closed due to Covid and not enough funds that were distributed to the agency we were unable to keep operating.	Eligible entities applying for funding must demonstrate financial capacity to administer the funding being requested, typically an agency has at least 25% of their operating budget as non-grant funded sources.