



Positive Action Canada HIV/AIDS Innovation Program (PACIP) 2016 Program Overview

The 2016 **Positive Action Canada HIV/AIDS Innovation Program (PACIP)** Call for Proposals is seeking community-based initiatives that improve outcomes for people living with HIV/AIDS (PHAs) in Canada, and increase knowledge transfer and exchange of best practices amongst organizations working in the Canadian HIV sector.

PACIP 2016 proposals must either:

- **pilot a new PHA-focused program; or**
- **test modifications to an existing PHA-focused program (the modifications are designed to achieve enhanced program outcomes and/or to reach additional PHA populations); or**
- **apply best practices/ key learnings already demonstrated in the programs of other service providers to model a new PHA-focused program, or to modify an existing PHA-focused program (the initiatives are designed to achieve enhanced program outcomes and/or to reach additional PHA populations).**

Proposals must optimize the health, wellbeing and quality of life for PHAs in Canada. Proposals must not duplicate or replicate programs or services already offered, in the geographic area served by the applicant organization, to the group(s) of people to be engaged.

A proposal's primary group of people to be engaged can range from broadly-based to highly-focused. However, proposals must define the gender or lived experience which best describes the primary group of people the project seeks to engage.

The most broadly-based group of people is defined as all PHAs in the applicant agency's catchment area:

- All PHAs in catchment area.

Examples of more focused groups of people which reflect the various genders or lived experiences of PHAs in Canada include (but are not limited to):

- Aboriginal PHAs;
- African Caribbean Black PHAs;
- HIV+ children: up to 15 years of age;
- HIV+ gay men;
- HIV+ men who have sex with men;
- HIV+ women;
- HIV+ youth: 16 to 29 years of age;
- People aging with HIV/AIDS;

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- PHAs antiretroviral treatment experienced;
- PHAs in rural or semi-rural locations;
- PHAs incarcerated or returned to society;
- Latino / Spanish Speaking PHAs;
- Asian / South Asian PHAs;
- PHAs living in poverty;
- PHAs not currently hooked-up with HIV-knowledgeable healthcare or community service providers;
- PHAs who have not yet started antiretroviral therapy;
- PHAs with substance use issues;
- PHAs Transgendered (trans people)
- People who are HIV+ but not yet diagnosed/ unaware of their serostatus

Proposals must implement the GIPA (Greater Involvement of People living with HIV/AIDS) and MIPA (Meaningful Involvement of People living with HIV/AIDS) Principles, defined as:

- i) recognizing the important contribution people living with HIV/AIDS (PHAs) can make in the response to the epidemic;
- ii) creating space within society for the meaningful involvement and active participation of PHAs in all aspects of that response.

Projects must be implemented in Canada only.

PACIP encourages proposals with a clearly defined goal and measurable objectives, and that develops new or strengthens existing agency partnerships. Applicant organizations must have a demonstrated ability to work in partnership with other agencies. Implementation of knowledge translation and exchange initiatives within proposals is strongly encouraged.

Organizations submitting proposals must be community-based, work primarily in the field of HIV/AIDS and have demonstrated expertise in the management of projects with the group of people to be engaged (or must partner with an organization that has such expertise) and be accountable to the people it serves.

Only Canadian not-for-profit non-governmental organizations (NGOs) accountable to their members may apply. Charitable status recognized by Canada Revenue Agency is an asset.

Only one PACIP 2016 application per applicant organization will be accepted.

The project must be in the planning or implementation stage. The project start date should be between 1 July 2016 and 31 March 2017. Project completion date should be between 31 March 2017 and 31 March 2018. Completed projects are not eligible.

Projects with a future sustainability plan are encouraged. Grants in the 2016 PACIP Call for Proposals will be on a one-time basis only.

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A total of \$125,000 will be available through PACIP 2016, with an individual project maximum of \$30,000.

ViiV Healthcare reserves the right to fund projects fully or partially.

ViiV Healthcare's **Positive Action Canada Innovation Program** has granted \$2,090,940 in funding to 214 projects over the past 20 years.

Process

All applications must be submitted on-line at <https://viivhealthcare.smartsimple.ca> Applications sent by e-mail, fax or mail will not be accepted and will not be evaluated.

Application deadline: 16 September 2016.

Notification of grants: 5 December 2016.

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