#### **RFA Frequently Asked Questions**

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### **Medication Optimization Improving Human Health**

#### 1. Must I be an ACCP member to apply?

This funding mechanism requires the PI or co-PI to be a member of the ACCP.

## 2. When should the proposed budget and budget justification be submitted, and what is the desired length?

The proposed budget and budget justification are required only with the full application. If distinct budgetary considerations, or in-kind contributions, are important to the reviewers' full understanding of the proposed project, these could be mentioned in the LOI.

# 3. When the accepted applicant organization is awarded the grant, will the monies be paid out all at once or spread over the grant period?

It is anticipated that payments will be made to the awardee according to project milestones, which will vary depending on the proposal. If the project requires and the budget is appropriately justified, it is possible that an initial payment could be made up front upon project initiation, with multiple installments to follow during the course of the project.

#### 4. When should Letters of Support and Letters of Commitment be submitted?

For those invited to submit a full application, Letters of Support and Letters of Commitment should be submitted at the time of application.

### 5. Are there restrictions as to what is acceptable in the budget?

The maximum allowable indirect cost rate is 10%. See also item #9.

# 6. Is it possible to extend the funded project beyond the stated 2-year timeframe for completion?

Depending on the proposal, it is possible to extend; however, the rapidly changing environment that will likely be encountered over the course of the next couple of years could render the results of a longer-lasting trial less applicable.

#### 7. In the Letter of Intent process, how finalized should the study design and evaluation plan be?

The proposed study design and evaluation plan outlined in the LOI should be finalized enough to enable an accurate assessment of the anticipated full proposal. The approach summarized in the

LOI is not binding. If investigators are invited to submit a full proposal, improvements/revisions to the approach are welcome.

## 8. May ACCP, ACCP Foundation, or PPI board members be investigators?

Seated members of the ACCP Board of Regents, ACCP Foundation Board of Trustees, and the Pharmacotherapy Publications, Inc. Board of Directors are ineligible to serve as investigators for this funding mechanism.

## 9. Does the MedOp Award have a Salary Limitation?

The ACCP Foundation follows the National Institutes of Health Federal Guidance on Salary Limitation for Grants. For 2023 the federal salary cap is \$212,100. One important difference from NIH's guidance is the MedOp funding mechanism has a cap of 10% indirect costs.