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Allocation Letter

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TO: ELIGIBLE CALIFORNIA LOCAL HEALTH JURISDICTIONS (LHJs)

SUBJECT: STI PREVENTION AND COLLABORATION ALLOCATIONS

The California Department of Public Health (CDPH), Sexually Transmitted Diseases Control Branch (STDCB) is pleased to announce the intent to award state general funds to LHJs to support sexually transmitted infection (STI) prevention and control activities. These allocations are for a full two years and set to begin on July 01, 2024 and end on June 30, 2026.

This allocation combines the previous STD Core and STD Prevention and Collaboration allocations authorized by [California Health and Safety Code \(H&SC\) Section 120511](#). The funds must be used for the implementation of public health activities related to monitoring, prevention, testing, and linkage to and retention in care activities for the most vulnerable and underserved individuals living with, or at high risk for, STIs in collaboration with community-based organizations (CBOs) providing services within the LHJ. For the purposes of this grant, STIs are defined as chlamydia, gonorrhea, syphilis, congenital syphilis, and mpox. Activities may include integrated services for STIs, viral hepatitis, human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection, and drug overdose, to the extent they improve health outcomes for people living with, or at risk for, STIs.

A portion of funds allocated to LHJs shall be provided to, or used to support activities in partnership with, CBOs or nonprofit health care providers, provided that there are CBOs or nonprofit health care providers in the jurisdiction that can conduct the activities and provide these services consistent with [H&SC 120511](#).

A summary of the funding allocation process, including the final annual allocation amounts for the LHJs and detail on the CBO amount by jurisdiction, webinar recordings, Reference Guide and frequently asked questions (FAQs) are available at: [STI/HCV Local Assistance Funding](#) SharePoint.



LHJs will be required to prepare and submit a workplan for each year along with a program budget available at: [STI/HCV Local Assistance Funding](#) SharePoint. LHJs will indicate in their workplans and program budgets the activities they plan to conduct during the given budget period, including which budget items will support CBOs. LHJs will also be required to submit data and reporting according to the table below.

Frequency	Report Deadlines	Report Recipient
Semi-Annual (Narrative summary reports and quantitative data tables)	February 15 th August 15 th	STDLHJContracts@cdph.ca.gov
Ongoing (STI Case Closure)	Ongoing, within 45 days of report to the LHJ	CalREDIE or other CDPH-developed data system, or by other means per agreement between the local STD Control Officer and the STDCB.

LHJs must adhere to the workplan activities, and any subsequent revisions, along with all instructions included in the STI Prevention and Collaboration Reference Guide, policy memoranda, or directives issued by CDPH-STDCB. CDPH-STDCB will make any changes and/or additions to these guidelines in writing and, whenever possible, notification of such changes shall be made 30 days prior to implementation.

In order to receive these funds, the LHJ must return the following documents no later than close of business, **March 29, 2024** via email to STDLHJContracts@cdph.ca.gov with a cc to Adriana.Cervantes@cdph.ca.gov.

- Include the name of your local jurisdiction in the subject line to help us easily identify which LHJ you represent (**County of XXXX – STI Prevention and Collaboration Allocation**).

- 1. LHJ Program Contact Information**
- 2. Acceptance of Award**
- 3. Annual Workplan for FY 2024-2025***
 - a. Complete the workplan in [Qualtrics](#).
- 4. Budget for Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-2025***
 - a. Download the budget template from the [STI/HCV Local Assistance Funding](#) SharePoint site.

**Note: The workplan and budget for FY 2025-2026 will be due by March 3, 2025.*

The STI Prevention and Collaboration Allocations webinar has been scheduled for **January 25, 2024 from 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm**. During the webinar, STDCB will provide an overview of the funding including background, goals of the funding, local health jurisdiction funding allocation information, workplan activities, and anticipated timeline. The presentation will be followed by a question and answer period. Please forward this invitation to other staff in your jurisdiction that should participate. This meeting will be recorded for those unable to attend.

If you have any questions, please feel free to email your Regional Capacity Building Coordinator with a cc to Jasmin Delgado (Jasmin.Delgado@cdph.ca.gov) and Adriana Cervantes (Adriana.Cervantes@cdph.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Alexia McGonagle". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Alexia" and last name "McGonagle" clearly legible.

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