

**STD Disease Intervention RFA
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Please Note:

MODIFICATION TO THE RFA

Attachment 2 of the published RFA is incorrect.
The correct Attachment 2 can be found on the DOH website
<http://www.nyhealth.gov/funding/>

Questions and Answers:

Question: On page 22, Attachment 2- Tasks & Standards (Field Level), Public Health Representative I/II (HRI), for many of the lettered topics there is a list of 3 ranges (e.g., "Interviews \geq 95%, 90-94%, 85-89% of cases assigned for interview") We do not understand the different values/listing. Is there something missing, since it is not clear for which situation each of these ranges is required? Please clarify.

Attachment 2: “Tasks & Standards (Field Level)” in the original RFA was inserted by mistake; it has been replaced with a new set of standards that does not include ranges. Please refer to the new Attachment 2 entitled, “Field Interviewer/ Investigator Evaluation Tasks and Standards” when responding to the RFA for Disease Intervention. This attachment can be accessed on the following website <http://www.nyhealth.gov/funding/>

Question: On page 7, Partner Services, #4, the following question is asked, “What proportion of infected individuals in need of therapy were located and successfully referred for treatment?” Does this refer to the original patients (i.e., a measure of disease therapy) or does this refer to the contacts that are infected and brought to treatment (i.e. C disposition)?

This refers to reactors/positive labs who are followed for treatment. The definition of original patient is, “An infected person who is the subject of an original interview and who should identify other people who are at risk of infection.” Not all patients who are referred for therapy become subjects of an original interview. Thus, the proportion of infected individuals refers to all reactors/positive labs/ who are referred for treatment whether they are interviewed or not.

Question: On the third paragraph of page 20 of the STD Disease Intervention RFA, the following quote appears, “This funding may not be used to supplant funds for currently existing staff activities.” Nassau County Health Dept is presently using NYSDOH funds to provide STD services. Would we be allowed to request funding through this RFA to continue these activities or would this be considered ‘supplanting of funds for currently existing staff activities’?

Yes, Nassau County would be allowed to request funding through the RFA to continue the provision of STD services.