

Supplemental Funding for Immunization Program Activities: Guidance for Local Public Health Authorities (LPHAs)

April 2024 (Changes in red)

Additional LPHA Immunization Funds

\$5,000,000 in CARES 5 (COVID) Supplemental Funding

Period of performance – **through 6/30/25. These funds will be awarded through Program Element 43-01.**

These are COVID-19 funds. As the COVID-19 vaccine becomes more integrated into the routine immunization schedule, COVID-19 funded activities must still include COVID vaccine coverage and uptake. Activities can be conducted and integrated within **broader immunization program activities.**

COVID funded infrastructure and activities may integrate other ACIP-recommended vaccines as long as COVID vaccine is included in the effort.

Ideas for allowable expenses

- Vaccine confidence and promotion activities
- Vaccine equity activities, including equity analyses and enhancement activities.
- General provider or patient education
- IIS enhancements and data modernization
- Enhancement of PE 43 workplan activities (at least two education and outreach activities designed to increase access to clinical immunization services
- Generators
- Billing systems
- Vehicle leases
- Vaccine storage and handling equipment
- Updating or enhancing electronic health records
- School Information Systems to connect to ALERT IIS
- Temporary (limited duration) staffing, including for:
 - off-site immunizations: in-home, shelters, CBO partners visits
 - providers, support, and billing
 - training and/or education efforts with partners, including materials development.(REMEMBER, these funds are one-time only, not ongoing)

- Immunization program evaluation activities
- Work with local long-term care facilities, including gap analyses.
- Funding support to vaccine partners including community-based organizations.
- Field work supplies: tents, space rental, outdoor heaters, chairs, tables, shot distractors (buzzy bees), computers, hot spots, travel costs, emergency kits, and other supplies used directly in support of vaccine field work or other mobile vaccination efforts.

Not allowable

- Vaccine purchase
- Vehicle purchases
- Incentives of any kind, including food and gift cards
- Construction
- Entertainment costs (e.g., live music)
- Promotional and/or incentive Materials (e.g., plaques, clothing, and commemorative items such as pens, mugs/cups, folders/folios, lanyards, magnets, conference bags)

Reporting Requirements

In addition to routine revenue and expenses reporting, the program will ask you to **submit a brief summary of activities conducted with these funds.**