

NATIONAL AGENCY FOR THE CONTROL OF AIDS (NACA)
REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR THE SELECTION OF A TECHNICAL SERVICE ORGANIZATION ON THE STRENGTHENING OF THE NATIONAL HEALTH MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM (NHMIS) ACROSS NIGERIA

Background: The National Health Management Information System (NHMIS) embodies the health information landscape in Nigeria. It encapsulates the articulation, establishment and development of the system's constituent parts, which include the provision of guidance on the development of appropriate infrastructure and human resources to ensure the health information system functions optimally across the three levels of service delivery, in addition to its processes and outputs. The Department of Health Planning, Research and Statistics (DHPRS), Federal Ministry of Health (FMOH), is at the apex of the national health information system and is the statutory organ for coordinating health information activities nationwide. The DHPRS (NHMIS Unit) collaborates with relevant agencies, such as the National Bureau of Statistics, the National Population Commission, and other Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs) of governments, and international agencies, that produce and/or use health information for policy decision making.

Problem Statement: Nigeria's NHMIS was developed to provide decision makers and programs with the necessary information to take relevant public health action. However, weak institutional capacity and low investments in Nigeria's health system have ensured that the NHMIS remained weak and unable to meet the data collection and reporting needs of the national response, including to partners providing support to the health sector. The weak NHMIS has also partly contributed to the inability of major donors and partners to develop parallel disease health information systems, further weakening the NHMIS. The overall consequence has been the production of fragmented and low-quality data that is of little use in evidence-based planning, thereby eroding confidence in the data reported from Nigeria among the international community.

Goal and Objectives:

Strengthening routine data generation and flow from public programmes, and private facilities and communities, with a special focus on integration/migration into the DHIS2 platform through a well-coordinated roll-out plan (which includes provision of infrastructure including internet access, mentoring, monitoring and supervision, local and international technical assistance support).

Review of the NHMIS tools, including community tools, to ensure effective response to core program indicators within the DHIS2 platform.

Strengthening coordination, partnership, and integrated M&E supportive supervision, among various stakeholders to address governance and monitoring and evaluation processes.

Strengthening health intervention implementation research and dissemination of results.

Strategic Intervention Areas and Objectives: This technical support engagement is to provide adequate hands-on support to DHPRS to effectively implement approved activities that will contribute to a strengthened NHMIS that meets the health information needs of all public health stakeholders in Nigeria by December 2017. The technical support will be targeted at national, state and LGA and health facility/community NHMIS systems across disease programmes.

Strategic			
S/N	Interventions	Objectives	Expected Results/deliverables
1	Data Governance	To strengthen data governance structures at national, state and LG A levels by December 31, 2017	Functional data governance structures at national and State levels (36 states and FCT): specifically Health Data Governance Committee (HDGC) and Health Data Consultative Committee (HDCC) at national and state level activated and hold at least one meeting by Dec. 2017.
		To ensure that the national platform (NHMIS) meets the minimum information needs of all stakeholders at national and sub-national Level.	Harmonized National Health Indicator list. Reference Sheet, revised NHMIS tools and SOPs developed and available at all levels
2	Capacity Development for a functional NHMIS	To strengthen capacity for NHMIS (DHIS2 platform) operationalization at a! levels	i DHIS2 functionality assessment conducted at national, State, LGA and facility levels gaps identified and 2-3 years capacity Strengthening actions for filling the DHIS2 capacity gaps (at

national, state, LGA and facility level)
developed

3	Data Management (Database integration)	<p>Migrate all existing DHIS2 Platforms and or create linkages synchronization with the NHMIS Platform and eliminate parallel reporting systems.</p> <p>Data from eNNRIMS migrated to DHIS2 platform, linkages between eTB manager and DHIS2 platform established.</p> <p>Establish a backup server at NACA that hosts the national HIV</p>	<p>All health data for Nigeria sourced from a single NHMIS platform (DHIS2.0)</p>
4	Data Quality	<p>Increase the reporting of HIV/AIDS. Tuberculosis and Malaria related data on the national platform by all stakeholders by 50% by December 31, 2017.</p> <p>To strengthen data management teams with relevant skills in data quality assurance in all the 36 states + FCT and in 25% of the 774 LGAs by December 31, 2017.</p>	<p>Increased reporting rate for all facilities offering ATM services (using HIV/AIDS as a model) in Nigeria to 80% by end of 2017 from the current 67%.</p> <p>Skilled data Management Teams functional at national and state levels (36 states and FCT).</p> <p>National SoP for health data management fully implemented at national and state levels.</p>

			High quality data available in the NHMIS platform for decision making at national and sub-national levels
			Data management teams at national and state levels trained in data analysis, dissemination and use
			Reliable data on Nigeria's progress towards 90-90-90 targets by 2020 disseminated to all stakeholders
5	Data Dissemination and Use	To track Nigeria's progress towards achieving 90-90-90 targets by 2020	Useful summary and visualization of big data which can guide decision making at all levels
			Data visualization applications used at national and state levels
6	Information Products	To provide regular progress update on the national HIV/AIDS response to all stakeholders and to the public	Dashboards, Factsheets, technical briefs and newsletters produced and disseminated at national and sub-national levels (including through FMOH/DPRS and NACA websites)

TIMELINE

The technical support to DHPRS-FMOH will be for a fixed period of 4 months with possibility of extension

TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

- (i.) Experience in developing and customizing solutions for DHIS2
- (ii.) Experience in building National HMIS and in building interoperable data management systems
- (iii.) A good understanding of and experience working in the Nigerian health information technology landscape or other Sub-Saharan African countries

- (iv.) Experience in providing technical assistance for health informatics
- (v.) Experience in staff capacity building and knowledge transfer to public institutions
- (vi.) Experience in deploying IT infrastructure, maintaining business to business internet connectivity and establishing resilient connectivity services
- (vii.) Experience in deploying and maintaining software and hardware to achieve data security
- (viii.) Experience of working with government organizations and multiple partners (UN agencies, bilateral, civil society, community and funding agencies) with evidence of timely delivery as per contract
- (ix.) Experience in developing and deploying big data solutions, data analytics and data visualization software
- (x.) Extensive knowledge and expertise in project design, planning and management (specifically in building health data/information systems)

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA & EXPECTED CONTENTS OF EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Prospective Applicants are requested to submit their Expressions of Interest that demonstrate their capacity and capability to undertake the chosen assignment detailing the information listed under the Technical Requirements above as well as the general eligibility Criteria stated below. This will serve as the basis for the short-listing of a firm for further consideration in a subsequent process in which technical and financial proposals will be requested and reviewed accordingly. The expected general eligibility criteria are as follows:

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- (1.) Evidence of Corporate Registration with the relevant authority in the Firm's country of operation by the inclusion of Certificate of Incorporation, Article and Memorandum of Association;
- (2.) Evidence of Compliance with tax and other corporate statutory provisions as may be applicable in the Firm's country of operations (E.g. Tax Clearance, VAT, Pension Policy; NSITF, Registration in the National Database of Federal Contractors, Consultants and Service Providers (NDCCSPs) etc.
- (3.) For Joint Ventures (JVs) to include Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) indicating the responsibility and duties of the individual firms constituting the JV;

(4.) Audited Statements of Account confirming with an annual turn-over of at least USD 3 Million or its Naira equivalent

(5.) Company Profile detailing description of similar assignment(s) and any other information that would be of advantage to the company.

Each respondent is expected to express its interest as a single entity or consortium but not individual consultants:

GUIDELINE FOR SUBMISSION OF EOI

Completed Eoi must be in English Language and submitted in four (4) copies (one original & three copies) in a sealed envelope clearly marked at the topmost right corner "NACA CONSULTANCY EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FOR (Specify Assignment)" and the Name, Address and Phone Number of the firm(s) boldly written at the back of the envelope, with acknowledgement to NACA office at the address below.

Attention: Head of Procurement

National Agency for the Control of AIDS (NACA)

Plot 823, Ralph Shodeinde Street Central Business District, Abuja.

Submission of application closes on **Monday 10th July 2017 by 12 noon**, and the submission received will be opened immediately after closing at NACA Conference Room (Ground Floor) in the presence of firms representatives that choose to attend.

The document must be sequentially arranged according to the above listed criteria and failure to comply with any of the above submissions guideline will automatically lead to disqualification

FOR ENQUIRIES

Please contact: yusufargungu@gmail.com; o kayodem@yahoo.com; info@naca.gov.ng

Mr. Yusuf Argungu

Head of PROCUREMENT

Note:

This request for Expressions of Interest shall

(i.) not be construed to be commitment on the part of the Agency, for contract award and is subject to the availability of corresponding funding, and,

(ii.) not entitle the Tenderer to make any claim whatsoever and seek indemnity from the Agency by virtue of having responded to this advertisement.

Signed

Director-General, NACA