

## OVW FY 2024 Restorative Practices Pilot Program Evaluation Pre-application Information Session Questions and Answers

This document summarizes questions received and answers provided during the OVW FY 2024 Restorative Practices Pilot Program Evaluation Solicitation pre-application information session held on April 08, 2024.

Question	Would a higher education institution in Canada be able to apply, or must applicants be from the US?
Answer	No. Foreign governments, foreign organizations, and foreign institutions of higher education are not eligible to apply.

Question	Can you clarify - the intent of this RFP would be for an institution such as a university to evaluate a pilot program. However which pilot program they will evaluate will NOT be known unless funded. Is that correct?
Answer	<p>That is correct. The pilot sites have not been identified yet and will not be identified before the RPPP Evaluation solicitation closes, so applicants will not have information about the sites as they prepare and submit their applications. Please consult 34 U.S.C. § 12514 for information about the Restorative Practices Pilot Program.</p> <p>Additionally, applicants should understand that the RPPP Evaluation solicitation seeks applicants to evaluate the entire pilot program cohort. Thus, an application should be able to adapt to research in a variety of locations across the country, regardless of which pilot sites are eventually funded.</p>

Question	You mentioned something about a separate solicitation for pilot sites. Could an applicant identify a coordinated proposal that includes both pilot sites and the evaluation component? And if not, can you give us a sense of what the pilot sites are going to be (number, and type of sites) for evaluation?
Answer	As described in the solicitation, OVW anticipates funding 10 - 15 pilot sites. There is nothing to preclude pilot site applicants and evaluation applicants from coordinating with each other. Each pilot site will need to establish an evaluation liaison at a minimum. Please know that pilot sites will not be announced until approximately Sept. 30, 2024, so after the RPPP Evaluation solicitation is closed.

Question	Can you disclose which organizations were selected as TTA providers?
Answer	TTA recipients will be identified on OVW's website when that information is available.

Question	How will proposals be reviewed? Will there be a peer review process?
Answer	Yes, the solicitation summarizes the peer review process.

Question	How are we proposing an evaluation pilot without knowing where the pilot activity will happen or what the pilot activity is exactly?
Answer	There is a forthcoming solicitation for the Restorative Practices Pilot Program sites,

	but pilot sites will not be selected and announced until after the RPPP Evaluation solicitation closes. As such, this solicitation places particular emphasis on demonstration of capability and capacity to develop and conduct rigorous mixed-methods research projects in meaningful partnership with non-researchers. Furthermore, is the RPPP Evaluation award will be funded as a cooperative agreement, which allows OVW and the recipient to collaboratively develop and adjust plans over the course of the project period.
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