

2019 ID Partnership Innovative Employment Outcomes Pilot FAQ's

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1. Are there restrictions on how the funds can/should be used? For example, are the grant funds to be used for direct payment to the individuals involved in the project or are funds meant to be used for startup needs, supplies, etc?

A: Funds are to be used for startup and supplies.

2. Are there any restrictions around who can participate in the project? Do the individuals need to be part of a current GSE, ISE contract as such, or is it open to all?

A: The pilot program is open to all individuals deemed eligible for DDS services.

3. What is the expectation for how any granted funds to be tracked and outcome expectations.

A: To be determined.

4. Does the Business Status section refer to the new/expanded business venture or the DDS Qualified Provider?

A: It refers to both.

5. Who owns the equipment that the grant is used to purchase?

A: The business approved to participate in the pilot.

6. In a collaboration, what's the minimum length of time the entities would need to agree to work together?

A: One year.

7. Within a collaboration between a for-profit and a DDS qualified Provider, do wages paid to non-IDD employees need to meet the \$14.75 minimum?

A: Yes.

8. Are marketing costs allowable through this grant? What are other allowable (and non-allowable) costs?

A: Marketing costs are allowable. Funds are to be used for startup and supplies.

9. If our agency operates a micro-enterprise staffed by participant employees (a GSE) that is becoming self-sustaining, does it qualify as a "business established with the State of CT?"

A: Yes.

10. Will this grant be attached to the master contract or will it be a separate contract?

A: To be determined.

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11. Are there any limitations or restrictions in what the grant will fund? (i.e. salaries, equipment, marketing, professional fees and LLC applications)

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