

## Scientific Discoveries Research RFP Addendum 4 (Posted 02/06/25)

## **Questions & Answers**

## Below are questions (generally verbatim unless otherwise noted) and answers regarding the RFP. The questions below were received from January 30, 2025, to February 6, 2025. Please check the CARE Fund website for <u>Scientific Discoveries</u> <u>Research RFP</u> future updates.

1. Question: For the current scientific discoveries research RFP, can someone be a PI on one application and also a collaborator on another, distinct application? Is that allowed?

Answer: Yes, the eligibility requirement is that the PI may not submit more than one application as Principal Investigator or Co-Principal Investigator.

2. Question [Edited slightly for clarity]: Must the company be headquartered in the state of Washington to be eligible for a grant?

Answer: Headquarters location is not a stand-alone requirement, but applicants must have a substantial presence in Washington, as determined by the CARE Board, after consideration of relevant factors such as the number and type of staff in Washington; state of incorporation; location of headquarters, research, or manufacturing facilities in Washington. The majority of the CARE Fund grant award and the majority of any required non-state match contribution must be allocated to recipients conducting research in Washington State.

3. Question [Edited slightly for clarity]: I plan to propose a project that will include vertebrate animal work performed by an international collaborator. No CARE Fund grant funds will be used for the animal work. Should I answer "yes" to "Does the proposed project involve the use of vertebrate animals?" The collaborator follows all applicable local regulations for animal work. I have consulted with my institution, and they do not expect an IACUC review for this scenario. The CARE fund proposal will request funds only for work at my institution to develop the materials that will be sent to our collaborator.

Answer: In the application you should answer "yes" to the question "Does the proposed project involve the use of vertebrate animals?" After answering the question, you will have the opportunity to (a) indicate that an IACUC review is not pending or applicable and (b) provide a comment regarding Animal Welfare Assurance in the application.