

HIV & COVID-19: RFP ON RESEARCH PROJECTS

Purpose

ViiV Healthcare wants to support the HIV and medical communities during this global pandemic and is announcing a Request for Research Proposals for Investigator Sponsored Studies (ISS). This is your opportunity to apply for a research award from ViiV Healthcare to help improve our understanding and management of the COVID-19 pandemic in people living with HIV (PLHIV).

Objective

We are seeking basic and clinical research proposals for studies within specific areas of interest. Successful proposals will be awarded grants to undertake independent research through our ISS programme.

RFP Priority Areas

The RFP has three priority areas focusing on COVID-19 in PLHIV:

- **Epidemiology and Real-World Data (RWD)**
 - Cohort studies (focus on HIV and COVID-19 coinfection) addressing treatment and management
 - Use of institutional chart reviews and electronic databases for risk factor analysis
 - Natural history of COVID-19, comparing those with and without HIV
- **Health care systems management initiatives addressing patient care and outcomes in the COVID-19 environment:**
 - Digital solutions and telemedicine
 - Implementation science
 - Management of co-morbidities
 - Patient experiences and characteristics of patient-provider interaction
- **Biomarkers indicative of disease susceptibility, severity, progression, or mechanism**
 - Predictors of response to SARS-CoV-2 or COVID-19 therapy
 - Role of genetic traits
 - Association of cellular immune markers with response
 - Association of inflammatory and other biomarkers with response

Proposal awards and timelines



Applicants

Applicants must be affiliated with a clinical institution and are strongly encouraged to partner with a researcher(s) with clinical experience in the field of HIV. The applicant's setting(s) can include a variety of health care settings and is not limited to hospitals and clinics. Applicants must provide their CV stating relevant experience, which will be uploaded as part of the application process.

ViiV Healthcare and Positive Action are also seeking non- research applications to support community-based organisations. To learn more please click on the appropriate link below for:

[US based community organisations](#)

[Global and non-US based community organisations](#)

The research proposals will be reviewed by an internal ViiV Healthcare scientific panel. If you have any questions or wish to download proposal templates, please visit covid-19rfp.viivhealthcare.com or contact ViiV Healthcare via email: covid19rfp.research@viivhealthcare.com