

CE SI Technical Assistance Request Form

Community Engagement Strategic Initiative (CE SI) technical assistance provides support to civil society and community organizations to meaningfully engage in Global Fund-related national processes throughout the grant cycle.

Before submitting this application to the Global Fund please make sure that your application is reviewed by the Learning Hub in your region.

Applicant details

Name of organization	Guyana Trans United
Type of organization	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Network or organization led by key or vulnerable populations in the context of HIV or TB <input type="checkbox"/> Youth-led network or organization <input type="checkbox"/> Women-led network or organization <input type="checkbox"/> Network or organization led by people living with HIV, by TB survivors or by communities most- affected by malaria <input type="checkbox"/> Civil society network or organization closely working with one/several of the groups mentioned above Other (please specify):
Address	100 Street name, City
Country/ies	Guyana
Focal point name	Name Surname
E-mail	email@email.org
Phone number	+1 234-123-1234
Is your organization a	<input type="checkbox"/> PR <input type="checkbox"/> SR <input type="checkbox"/> SSR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CCM member <input type="checkbox"/> None of the options
Date of request	31 January 2024
Envisaged start date of assignment ¹	01 May 2024

Ideally, plan three months between request submission and start of the TA. If your request is very urgent, state the reason for this in section 4.5.

Please list all organizations that were involved in preparing this request, including their level of involvement.

Global Action for Trans* Equality (GATE) provided assistance in putting this request together. Guyana Trans United, representative of transgender people on the CCM, led development of the request. The following organizations provided comments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> National key population forum, Network of trans and gender diverse people.
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Consult relevant partners such as national/regional/global KP networks, civil society or community organizations, implementers ...

1. Background and rationale (max. 1 page)

1.1 Please describe the reason for requesting CE SI technical assistance.

¹ Please note that the mobilization of technical assistance may take 2-3 months from the date of submission.

Globally, transgender women are 13 times more likely to get HIV compared to the general population. Therefore, it is very important that HIV prevention, treatment and care is tailored to meet the needs of transgender people to achieve significant gains in the global HIV response. In 2016, 8,500 people were living with HIV in Guyana with the prevalence among adults being 1.6%. The HIV prevalence among transgender women was more than five times higher (8.4%).

Guyana's new HIV grant started in January 2024. While the transgender community is a member of the Country Coordinating Mechanism (CCM), their involvement is very limited due to their narrow knowledge of Global Fund processes and interventions tailored to their community. This was also highlighted by the TRP during its review of the past HIV funding request. Due to these reasons, Guyana Trans United (CTU), a network of transgender people in Guyana, requests support from the CE SI to ensure meaningful engagement of transgender people in Global Fund processes, in particular HIV and TB grant implementation.

1.2 Is the request linked to any of the Global Fund main areas of work *(please select all that apply)*?

- ☒ HIV
☒ Tuberculosis
☐ Malaria
☐ Resilient and sustainable systems for health (RSSH)

1.3 Which communities will benefit from this technical assistance assignment *(please select all that apply)*?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Gay, bisexual and other men who have sex with men
<input type="checkbox"/> Sex workers
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trans and gender diverse people
<input type="checkbox"/> People who use or inject drugs
<input type="checkbox"/> People living with HIV
<input type="checkbox"/> People in prisons or closed settings
<input type="checkbox"/> Migrants, refugees or internally displaced people
<input type="checkbox"/> Miners and mining communities | <input type="checkbox"/> People with disabilities
<input type="checkbox"/> Women and girls (including adolescent girls and young women)
<input type="checkbox"/> Young people
<input type="checkbox"/> TB survivors
<input type="checkbox"/> TB key and vulnerable populations ² . Please specify:
<input type="checkbox"/> High-risk and underserved populations in the context of malaria ³ . Please specify:
Other: |
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2. Objective(s) *(max. 1 page)*

2.1 Which of the following CE SI area(s) of technical assistance would best meet your need?

<p>1. Situational analysis and needs assessment</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> CRG-related assessment to generate strategic information</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Global Fund (GF) program review to ensure community perspectives inform service delivery</p> <p>2. Engagement in country dialogue processes</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community consultation to inform priorities for national policies, guidelines, plans and GF funding requests</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Costing of community priorities</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Engagement planning of communities in GF processes</p>	<p>3. Supporting design and implementation arrangements</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Mapping of civil society and community organizations and activities to strengthen community systems and responses</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Refining or validating tools that support community engagement in GF-related processes</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Workshop(s) to strengthen community knowledge on the GF</p> <p>Other:</p>
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² Please find further guidance on the definition of TB key and vulnerable populations [here](#).

³ Please find further guidance on high-risk and underserved populations on page [Human Rights, Gender Equality and Malaria](#)

Do not select all areas but only the TA areas that match your request and TA needs most.

<input type="checkbox"/> Caucusing and collective strategizing for coordinated community-led advocacy	
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Note: You can find more information about the areas of technical assistance in the [guidelines](#).

2.2 What is the main objective of the technical assistance?

Main objective: To improve the quality of interventions and service delivery to the transgender community in Guyana.

Sub-objectives:

1. Ensure that transgender community leaders have the adequate knowledge and are able to safely engage in and influence Global Fund and related processes in Guyana, with special attention to HIV and TB programming;
2. Ensure that key interventions tailored to the specific needs of the transgender community in Guyana are identified and prioritized in order to strengthen the country response to HIV and TB. Key interventions shall be informed by an inclusive consultation process with transgender community leaders in Guyana;
3. Provide support for transgender representatives on how to integrate community-led approaches for program monitoring and oversight, through an overview of the transgender implementation tool (TRANSIT).

3. Scope of work (max. 2.5 pages)

3.1 Please provide details on the expected tasks in the table below:

No.	Task/activity	Remarks (Please distinguish between in-country and desk work)	No. of expert days
1.	Preparation		
1.1	Rapid review of the situation of HIV/TB and transgender community in Guyana, with special attention to the participation gap in Global Fund and relevant national policy processes, as well as the barriers transgender people face when accessing HIV and TB quality health services.	Desk work	Lead (1)
1.2	Review of the HIV/TB funding request sections for key populations and the respective TRP comments.	Desk work	Lead (0.5)
1.3	Participate in TA planning and coordination calls with the CE SI team, Country Team, GTU and other relevant stakeholders.	Desk work	Lead (0.5)
1.4	Based on the consultations above, design a roadmap for engagement in Global Fund grants, containing a clear strategy on how best to influence various stakeholders in order to ensure that the ongoing grants are sensitive to the needs of transgender people.	Desk work	Lead (2); Supporting expert (2)
2	Consultations with transgender community		
2.1	Facilitate a 2-day meeting with transgender community representatives to provide them with knowledge on Global Fund and related processes. The meeting will allow for transgender community leaders to reflect on the quality of	In-country	Lead (2); Supporting expert (2)

	the existing programs and provide a platform for highlighting areas for improvement during grant implementation.		
2.2	Prepare short briefings about Global Fund processes that are relevant to the assignment and disseminate them across the beneficiary groups (i.e. summary about transgender components in the different grants and guidance for transgender-related interventions inclusion in the different grants), prior to the meeting.	In-country	Lead (1); Supporting expert (1)
2.3	Convene a 1-day discussion/training on community-led approaches to design and scale-up programs in relation to transgender people, based on the Transgender Implementation Tool (TRANSIT), and how this links to Global Fund processes.	In-country	Lead (1); Supporting expert (1)
2.4	Conduct and document consultations and FGDs with trans and gender diverse groups.	In-country	Lead (4); Supporting expert (2)
3	Final reporting		
3.1	Develop a final report, containing lessons learned and recommendations for further engagement of the transgender community throughout the grant implementation cycle, e.g. via engagement in supervision visits and community feedback among other strategies		Lead (3) Supporting expert (2)
Total			Lead (15); Supporting expert (10)

Be clear about HOW and by WHEN you will use key deliverables of the TA to apply influence.

3.2 Please list the key deliverable(s) of the assignment and how they will be used by communities to influence Global Fund and related processes.

Key deliverable(s)	Date of delivery	Anticipated use of deliverable(s)	Timeframe for use of deliverable(s)
Transgender people situational analysis report	31 May 2024	Direct use to inform in-country consultations	May/June 2024
Roadmap for engagement in GF and related processes	31 May 2024	Implementation of roadmap alongside with HIV/TB grant implementation	May 2025
Transgender community 'Priority Charter'	15 July 2024	Integration of selected priorities into next HIV/TB funding request	May 2025
Final assignment report	15 July 2024	Dissemination of report to in-country stakeholders	July 2024

3.3 If applicable, please list all expected costs in the table below (e.g., workshop-related costs such as room hire, catering, transport reimbursement, data collection costs, material)

Cost category/item	Number of units	Price per unit (USD)	Total (USD)
Meeting room and catering (including coffee/tea breaks, lunch), 50 people*3 days	150	40	6,000
Electronic equipment	3	150	450
Printing and supplies	50	10	500
Total			6,950

3.4 Please list the required language skills of expert(s) as well as other qualifications or expertise you consider important for this assignment.

- Strong knowledge of implementation tools for key populations, particularly transgender implementation tool (TRANSIT);
- Capacity to conduct consultations with transgender communities, community groups and community-based organizations to meaningfully engage in efforts to scale up services for transgender people;
- Strong knowledge of the rights of key populations, particularly transgender people;
- Good knowledge of Human Rights issues, particularly within the context of HIV and TB in Guyana;
- An excellent knowledge of Global Fund processes;
- A good knowledge of community-led approaches for designing, implementing and monitoring interventions for transgender people;
- An excellent knowledge of English

4. Other information (max. 1.5 pages)

4.1 Have you liaised with your CCM secretariat and CCM representative regarding this technical assistance? Please provide full information and details of people that you contacted.

Yes, CCM Chair (Name, Surname) was consulted prior to development of the request and has received a copy of the TA request (see correspondence attached to this request).
The CCM representative for trans and gender diverse communities directly coordinated the development of this request.

4.2 Have you liaised with the Global Fund country team regarding this technical assistance? Please provide details of people that you contacted.

Yes, a copy of the TA request form has been sent to the Guyana FPM for information.

4.3 Has your organization received support from the Learning Hub in your region to complete this application? Please provide details of people that you contacted.

Yes, the TA request was reviewed by the LAC learning hub and comments have been provided by the focal point (Name, Surname).

4.4 Has your organization applied to other technical assistance mechanisms with the same or a similar request (e.g., UNAIDS country offices, UNAIDS TSM, WHO, GIZ, etc.)? If yes, please provide details, including the outcomes.

No

Please submit your application to ceta@theglobalfund.org. We thank you for your interest in SI technical assistance. We will review your application internally and get back to you.

The learning hub in your region can provide valuable support in shaping your request and increasing the chances for it to be eligible.