

# CRG Technical Assistance Request From

Community, Rights and Gender Technical Assistance provides support to civil society and community organizations to meaningfully engage in Global Fund related processes throughout the grant lifecycle.

*Before submitting this application to the Global Fund please make sure that your application is reviewed by the CRG Regional Platform in your region.*

## Applicant details

Name of organization	Guyana Trans United
Type of organization	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Key population network or organization <input type="checkbox"/> Youth-led network or organization <input type="checkbox"/> Women's network or organization <input type="checkbox"/> Network or organization of people living with HIV or affected by tuberculosis or malaria <input type="checkbox"/> Civil society network or organization led by or working with other affected communities (e.g. migrants, refugees, miners) Other: /
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Country/ies	Guyana
Focal point	Name Surname
E-mail	<a href="mailto:email@email.org">email@email.org</a>
Phone number	+1 234-123-1234
Is your organization a	<input type="checkbox"/> PR <input type="checkbox"/> SR/SSR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CCM member <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> None of the options
Date of request	31 January 2019
Envisaged start date of assignment <sup>1</sup>	01 May 2019

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

Which organizations were involved in preparing this request? Please outline their level of involvement.

Global Action for Trans\* Equality (GATE) provided assistance in putting this request together. In addition, Guyana Trans United discussed the request with other key population representatives in the CCM.

## 1. Background and rationale (max. 1 page)

1.1 Please describe the reason for requesting CRG technical assistance.

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 be 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

Consult relevant partners such as national/regional/global KP networks, civil society or community organizations, implementers ...

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

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 2018. 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 CRG SI to ensure meaningful participation of transgender people in Global Fund processes, in particular HIV and TB grant implementation.

Explain clearly how the TA request links to GF and related processes. Provide evidence that supports your request, e.g. past reports, studies, TRP comments, OIG findings.

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 How will the technical assistance strengthen the engagement of civil society and communities in Global Fund-related processes?

Civil society organizations play a pivotal role in the HIV, TB and malaria response particularly in relation to key populations. This request for technical assistance focuses on the transgender community, one of the populations most affected by HIV in Guyana, strategically involved in holding key decision-makers in the Global Fund processes. Through technical assistance, representatives of the transgender community will be strengthened in their oversight role during grant implementation.

TA needs to benefit population(s)/communities and not individual organizations

1.4 Which key and vulnerable population communities will benefit from this technical assistance (please select all that apply)?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Men who have sex with men      | <input type="checkbox"/> People in prisons and other closed settings                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sex workers                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Migrants, refugees and internally displaced people                  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Transgender people  | <input type="checkbox"/> Miners and mining communities                                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> People who inject or use drugs | <input type="checkbox"/> Adolescent girls and young women                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> People living with HIV         | Other: A special effort will be made to involve young transgender people in the consultation |

Explain more about the target group of the TA

## 2. Objective(s) (max. 1 page)

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

<p><b>1. Situational analysis and needs assessment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> CRG-related assessments to inform decision-making</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Program reviews to ensure community perspectives inform service delivery</li> </ul> <p><b>2. Engagement in country dialogue processes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community consultation to inform priorities for national policies, guidelines, plans and programs</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Coordinating input into key GF-related documents (e.g. NSP or funding request)</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Engagement planning of communities in GF processes</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Caucusing and collective strategizing for coordinated community-led advocacy</li> </ul>	<p><b>3. Supporting design and implementation arrangements</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Mapping of civil society and community organizations and activities to strengthen community systems</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Refining or validating tools that support community engagement in GF-related processes</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Workshop(s) to strengthen knowledge of civil society and communities on the GF</li> </ul> <p>Other:</p>
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Do not select everything here but only the areas of TA that match your request most.

Note: You can find more information about the areas of technical assistance in the guidance note.

## 2.2 What are the main objectives of the technical assistance?

<p><b>Main objective:</b> To improve the quality of interventions and service delivery to the transgender community in Guyana.</p> <p><b>Sub-objectives:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>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;</li> <li>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 reflect an extensive consultation process with transgender community leaders in Guyana;</li> <li>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).</li> </ol>
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## 3. Scope of work (max. 2.5 pages)

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

No.	Task/activity	Remarks (Please distinguish between in-country and desk work)	No. of expert days
<b>1.</b>	<b>Preparation</b>		
1.1	Rapid review of the situation of HIV/TB transgender people in Guyana, with special attention to the participation gap in Global Fund and relevant national policy processes, as well as the barriers that they face in accessing good quality health services;	Desk work	Lead (1)
1.2	Review of the HIV/TB funding application 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 CRG-SI 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 current 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)
<b>2</b>	<b>Consultations with transgender community</b>		
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 the existing programs and provide a	In-country	Lead (2); Supporting expert (2)

	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 specific consultations with different transgender groups in order help define their priority actions;	In-country	Lead (4); Supporting expert (2)
<b>3</b>	<b>Final reporting</b>		
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)
<b>Total</b>			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 ... used by civil society and 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 situation analysis report	31 May 2019	Direct use to inform in-country consultations	May/June 2019
Roadmap for engagement in GF and related processes	31 May 2019	Implementation of roadmap alongside with HIV/TB grant implementation	May 2020
Transgender community 'Priority Charter'	15 July 2019	Integration of selected priorities into next HIV/TB funding request	May 2020
Final assignment report	15 July 2019	Dissemination of report to in-country stakeholders	July 2019

3.3 If applicable, please list other expenses in the table below (e.g. workshop-related costs such as room hire, catering, transport reimbursement, personal protective equipment during COVID-19).

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
<b>Total</b>			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 regarding this technical assistance? Please provide full information and details of people that you contacted.

Yes, CCM Chair was consulted prior to development of the request and has received a copy of the TA 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 Fund Portfolio Manager for more information.

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

4.3 Has your organization received support from any CRG Regional Platform to complete this application? Please provide details of people that you contacted.

Yes, support was received from the LAC Regional Platform.

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

No

4.5 Please state any other relevant information that might support this application.

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Please submit your application to [crgta@theglobalfund.org](mailto:crgta@theglobalfund.org). We thank you for your interest in CRG Technical Assistance. We will review your application internally and get back to you soon.