Request for Proposal

Technical support the validation and pilot of quality cancer care indicators for low- and middle-income countries

1. Organisational background and scope

City Cancer Challenge Foundation (C/Can) supports cities around the world as they work to improve access to equitable, quality cancer care. C/Can leads a city-based partnership initiative that aims to improve access to quality cancer care in cities around the world by transforming the way stakeholders from the public and private sectors collectively design, plan, and implement cancer solutions.

C/Can was launched by the Union for International Cancer Control (UICC) at the 2017 World Economic Forum Annual Meeting in Davos. It was established as a standalone Swiss foundation in January 2019, and is currently active in thirteen cities across Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe and Latin America. For more information about C/Can, please visit our <u>website</u>.

With the exponential growth in data collected in C/Can cities, the opportunity exists to track, report, and compare quality in cancer practice, as well as enabling policy frameworks, on a much more granular and larger scale than ever before, and importantly, to measure changes in quality over time. The demand for this data is also growing rapidly as policy makers and providers recognise the unique insights gained from subnational data that reflect the realities on the ground.

The challenge is that no universal monitoring and evaluation tool or guidelines exist for how quality of cancer care - including management of services, infrastructure, healthcare workforce, patient access, and the policy environment - should be measured, benchmarked and reported. Also, existing frameworks are not fit-for-purpose, leading to entrenched bias in how to improve quality and access cancer diagnostics and treatment. C/Can aims to transform how quality is measured and reported, to support cities and policy makers to know what good looks like when it comes to quality cancer care.

As C/Can prepares to validate and pilot a core set of quality indicators, it is timely to invest in a more systematic approach that draws on validated methodologies for developing indicators to inform the identification, validation, and continued adaptation of policy solutions developed through the C/Can process.

2. Timing and deliverables of the project

The assignment will run from 26 June 2023 to 30 June 2024:

Deliverables should include:

1. 1 training webinar for key members of the C/Can team to increase understanding of quality indicators so that key C/Can staff members can explain, advocate and defend their implementation.

2. Technical support to C/Can to deliver three virtual global roundtables to hold dialogues on the QI-framework

3. Two systematic reviews of existing quality care indicators e.g in health financing, palliative care

4. Explore joint activities to socialize the quality cancer care indicators within the cancer care space, including conferences and publications

5. Explore of joint fundraising and research opportunities

3. Requirements

The selected individual (s) / organisation will have experience in:

- health policy research, analysis
- working in low and middle-income settings, preferably in regions/countries where C/Can is active
- Metrics development
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4. Proposal submission

The technical proposal shall be submitted in English and include the following information:

- **Assumptions** -Include any assumptions as well as comments on the project as indicated in the scope/deliverables.
- Proposed Approach, Methodology, Timing and Outputs
- **Financial proposal** Including a realistic implementation plan with a detailed description of the cost in USD.

Please send the full proposal (as outlined in the RFP) to chakowa@citycancerchallenge.org.

5. Other terms and conditions

Withdrawal of RFP: Proposals may be withdrawn before the RFP submittal deadline by submitting a written request to the Contact Person. Re-submittal before the RFP submittal deadline can be made; however, they may not be re-submitted after the deadline.

RFP costs: All costs incurred in the preparation and presentation of proposals to the RFP

shall be completely absorbed by the responding party to the RFP. All documents submitted as part of the RFP will become property of C/Can. Any material submitted that is confidential must be clearly marked as such.

Award basis: C/Can reserves the right to accept or reject any and all proposals, to waive any irregularities in any proposal process, and to make an award of contract in any manner in which C/Can, acting in the sole and exclusive exercise of its discretion, deems to be in C/Can's best interest.

Proposals will be reviewed in alignment with the City Cancer Challenge Policy on Procurement.

6. Contact for submission inquiries

All inquiries concerning this solicitation shall be addressed to the following contact: chakowa@citycancerchallenge.org