

Ministry of Advanced Education

AVED-ACBTP-RFP

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Aboriginal Community Based Training Partnerships (ACBTP) 2017/18 Call for Proposals - Questions and Answers March 24 to May 11, 2017

1. **Question:** For the food\nutrition component. Do you have a formula for how much you will pay per student, or a maximum per student?

Answer: We don't have a set maximum or a formula. We would look at reasonableness of costs.

2. **Question:** Would a Carpentry Foundation program or a Building Maintenance Worker program, qualify for the ACBTP?

Answer: Pg.4 of the Application guide notes that Trades Foundation programs and other trades programs that offer students credit towards their apprenticeships are eligible.

3. **Question:** Would it be okay for IAHLA and ASETS holders to send one letter of support for all proposals submitted in a region or do the letters of support have to be specific to each proposal submitted?

Answer: The Application Guide defines the Letter of Support and what the letter should demonstrate (p.20). Given the details asked for it would be most effective if the letters of support were each specific to one proposal.

4. **Question:** If our program involves multiple (2-3) Aboriginal community partners in the same development region, do we include all Aboriginal community partners in the "Basic Information" section of the proposal form? It doesn't look like there is space for more than one, so would I insert more rows in the table?

Answer: If the proposal includes more than one Aboriginal Community partner in a development region, yes include the details for each Aboriginal Community in the "Basic Information" section of the proposal form. The ministry does not have a preference for how the information is displayed, although it should be clear how many Aboriginal communities are involved in the proposed program.

5. **Question:** Would driver training for either the Graduated License Program or for Class 1 Truck Drivers be eligible as stand-alone programs under the ACBTP?

Answer: Neither the graduated license program nor Class 1 Truck Driver training are eligible as stand-alone programs under the ACBTP, as they do not lead to apprenticeship or post-secondary credit, or to a post-secondary or ITA credential. However, this type of training could be included as part of a larger program that does lead to such credit, or a credential.

6. **Question:** Can an Aboriginal community submit 3 separate proposals for different ACBTP projects with 3 different institutions? If so, are there any additional guidelines for ranking proposals?

Answer: There are no restrictions on the number of proposals with which an Aboriginal community can be involved, or the number of public post-secondary institutions with which it can partner for ACBTP. The Ministry does not have guidelines on prioritizing multiple proposals involving one community. The Ministry will review each proposal based on the strength of the information submitted through the application material.

7. **Question:** We are in the process of applying to the ACBTP program and our main area of focus will be offering a trades training program. We were wondering, if we offer another educational program in an unrelated environmental field, can this be part of one proposal, or should it be broken into two proposals?

Answer: Past ACBTP proposals have included two types of interrelated education and training as a single program. However, two types of education and training that are not related would best be submitted as two separate proposals. As noted on p.13 of the Application Guide, a proposal can include only one program; however, the same program may be delivered to multiple cohorts and/or in more than one community. Partnerships seeking to deliver more than one program should submit separate applications for the additional programs.