

WRITTEN QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

RFA-18-0003 Clostridium Difficile Transitions of Care Collaborative

ANSWERS ARE IN RED

1. (Section 2.1.B) Question: As a cost-savings measure for ADH, hospitals, and nursing home participants, can conferences be combined with similar workshops that the vendor provides on the same topics (antibiotic stewardship, care transitions) that allow for others to attend, or must conferences be limited only to members in recruited facilities?

Answer: As long as there are no duplications of efforts, the curriculum and main focus of the conferences are aligned with the expectations outlined in the agreement, and the curriculum is robust enough to meet the expectations to qualify as a one-day conference, the conference(s) may be combined with similar workshops.

Please be advised of the penalties associated with failure to produce two (2) one-day conferences per Performance Standards:

Failure may result in \$5,000 payment reduction for each conference not held

2. (Section 2.1.B) Question: Can food or refreshments be included in the budget for conferences?

Answer: No, food or refreshments are not eligible to be paid for or reimbursed per AR Department of Health Policy.

3. (Section 2.1.C) Question: Are virtual onsite visits an acceptable method?

Answer: Yes, virtual onsite visits would be accepted as long as the applicant can document that those occurred and attended by both the awardee and a recruited facility.

4. (Section 2.1.C) Question: Are site visits to be conducted per facility, or can a joint visit occur with the hospital and nursing home both present?

Answer: Site visits can be conducted either per facility or jointly with both a hospital and nursing home present. Site visits are conducted at the discretion of the awardee.

Please be advised of the penalties associated with failure to conduct each site visit per Performance Standards:

Failure may result in \$500 payment reduction for each facility not visited