

# **REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS: PWID**

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The Aurum Institute NPC (Aurum) is a proudly African not for profit, public benefit organisation, whose mission is to generate evidence for policy and translate policy into practice to positively impact the health of communities globally. Aurum partners with governments, the private sector and civil society to design and deliver high-quality care and treatment to people in developing communities. Information on Aurum's projects and programmes can be found on Aurum's Website at <a href="https://www.auruminstitute.org">www.auruminstitute.org</a>.

Aurum has been selected as one of the Principal Recipients that will implement three Programmes addressing the HIV/AIDS epidemic among Key and Vulnerable Populations in selected districts of South Africa to be funded under the Global Fund Grant Cycle 7(GC7) during the period of 1 October 2025 to 31 March 2028.

Aurum invites duly registered and suitably experienced South African Non-profit Organisations (NPOs) and Government Departments based in the districts below to submit proposals for participation in the implementation of this Grant as Subrecipients.

#### PROGRAMME:

Provision of Comprehensive HIV Prevention Programme for People Who Use/Inject Drugs (PWID) and their Sexual Partners. Further programmatic details are outlined in the RFP.

## **REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) DOCUMENTS:**

The following RFP documents outlining the requirements, formats and further details are available for download on the Aurum website at <a href="https://www.auruminstitute.org/gf-sr-requestforproposals">https://www.auruminstitute.org/gf-sr-requestforproposals</a>:

- Request for Proposals (RFP);
- Application Form;
- Subrecipient Capacity Assessment Tool; and
- Required Documentation Checklist.

#### **BRIEFING SESSION:**

- Aurum will convene an online non-compulsory briefing session on 18 August 2025 from 11h30 12h30 to provide clarification and additional information to interested Applicants and disseminate information as widely as possible.
- Organisations interested in attending the session should inform Aurum by sending an email to <u>GF-SR-Applications@auruminstitute.org</u> with the Subject line "RFA/AUR/GF/2025-2028/02 Briefing Session", by no later than 13h00 on 16 August 2025.
- A return email will be sent with a link to join the online Briefing Session.
- Any additional material, will be made available to interested Applicants on the Aurum Website at <a href="https://www.auruminstitute.org/gf-sr-requestforproposals">https://www.auruminstitute.org/gf-sr-requestforproposals</a>.

# **DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS:**

All Applicants must be submitted by no later than **13:00 SAST on 1 September 2025,** in accordance with the RFP submission instructions and requirements.

#### **DEADLINE FOR RFP QUESTIONS:**

- All questions must be submitted in writing via email to <u>GF-SR-Applications@auruminstitute.org</u> with the Subject line "RFA/AUR/GF/2025-2028/02 Questions", by no later than 16:00 SAST on 21 August 2025.
- It will not be possible to engage in telephone enquiries and any questions received after the deadline will not be addressed.
- Questions will anonymised and published with answers in a Q&A document on the Aurum
  Website at <a href="https://www.auruminstitute.org/gf-sr-requestforproposals">https://www.auruminstitute.org/gf-sr-requestforproposals</a> by no later than 16:00 SAST on 25 August 2025.

### PROGRAMME - GEOGRAPHY AND OBJECTIVES:

Aurum intends to appoint 3xSRs to implement the PWID programme for the districts identified in both in the table below.

Preference will be given to SRs that can demonstrate a footprint in these districts and are currently implementing, or have previously implemented, similar programmes.

Programme details are summarised below (the RFP documents provide more details):

Programme	Province	Districts	Programme Objectives
People Who Use/Inject Drugs (PWID) and their Sexual Partners	Eastern Cape	Nelson Mandela Bay	<ul> <li>Reduce HIV Incidence among PWID through targeted case finding, HIV self-testing, and linkage to same-day ART and PrEP initiation.</li> <li>Expand Access to HIV Prevention and Treatment Services via peer-led outreach, dropin centres, mobile services, and differentiated service delivery models.</li> <li>Improve Uptake and Adherence to Biomedical Interventions such as PrEP, ART, STI, TB screening and treatment, and viral load monitoring.</li> <li>Provide OAT at drop-in centres and outreach services.</li> <li>Promote Psychosocial Wellbeing and Adherence through structured peer navigation, mental health support, and risk-reduction counselling.</li> <li>Address Stigma, Discrimination, and Rights Violations by strengthening human rights advocacy, reporting mechanisms, and sensitization of healthcare providers.</li> <li>Reach Hidden and Underserved PWID using tailored outreach and digital engagement strategies.</li> <li>Strengthen Health System Responsiveness by building the capacity of health facilities to deliver PWID-competent services through staff training and mentorship.</li> <li>Support Community Empowerment and Monitoring by funding PWID-led organizations and supporting safe spaces, community dialogues, and feedback loops.</li> </ul>
	Gauteng	City of Johannesburg	
		Ekurhuleni	
		Sedibeng	
		West Rand	
	KwaZulu-Natal	eThekwini	
		uMmgungundlovu	
	Western Cape	City of Cape Town	