

New York State Department of Labor/Hazard Abatement Board (NYSDOL/HAB) 2026-2027 Occupational Safety and Health Training and Education (OSH T&E) Program Questions and Answers (Q&A)

(Updated 6/09/2026) New questions and answers are added frequently and indicated below after each revision date through June 1, 2026 as detailed in Section IV.A. of the RFP.

***The OSH T&E Request for Proposals (RFP), available on the NYSDOL HAB [webpage](#), is a competitive funding opportunity. Therefore, limited technical assistance can be provided in the interpretation of the RFP per NYS procurement rules. ***

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Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

FAQ #1) Is there a deadline for proposals for the NYSDOL/HAB Request for Proposals (RFP)?

FAQ A #1) Yes, the deadline for proposal submission for the OSH T&E program is no later than 4:00 PM NYS Time on June 15, 2026.

FAQ #2) Are there steps a Bidder needs to take to prepare to submit a proposal for the OSH T&E program?

FAQ A #2) All interested Bidders must be registered in the Statewide Financial System (SFS) prior to proposal submission and all non-governmental Not-for Profit (NFP) Bidders must also be designated as prequalified in SFS prior to proposal submission. NFP Bidders cannot submit grant proposals unless their status is prequalified in SFS. NFP Bidders whose status is not prequalified in SFS prior to proposal submission will receive an error message if they try to submit grant proposals.

If awarded, a prequalified NFP Contractor must maintain prequalification status during the contract period. The organization will be given an opportunity to submit documents and information to Grants Management in order to maintain or regain prequalification status.

For more information about SFS and Prequalification, please visit the Grants Management website <http://grantsmanagement.ny.gov> or contact the Grants Management Team at grantsmanagement@its.ny.gov. The Grants Management help desk/hotline can be reached at (518) 457-7717 or (855) 233-8363 (toll free).

NYSDOL will consider any proposal not meeting the registration or non-governmental NFP Bidder prequalification requirements prior to proposal submission to be non-responsive.

FAQ #3) Where can I go to submit a proposal for OSH T&E?

FAQ A #3) Prospective Bidders must apply online via the SFS website at:
https://esupplier.sfs.ny.gov/psc/fscm/SUPPLIER/ERP/c/NUI_FRAMEWORK.PT_LANDINGPAGE.GBL?&.

All Bidders must be registered in SFS prior to submission, and all non-governmental NFP Bidders must be designated as prequalified in SFS prior to proposal submission. Please see Section IV.C. of the [RFP](#) for additional proposal submission instructions.

FAQ #4) Where can questions about the process of registering our organization in SFS be directed so that we may apply for the OSH T&E program?

FAQ A #4) SFS is a Statewide accounting and financial management system that is not specific to NYSDOL. For questions about this process, please contact the SFS Helpdesk by calling (518) 457-7717 or (855) 233-8363 (toll free), or by emailing grantsmanagement@its.ny.gov.

FAQ #5) Where can I find the attachments I am required to submit with my proposal and how do I submit them in SFS?

FAQ A #5) All required proposal attachments, as outlined in Section V.B.1. of the [RFP](#), can be found in SFS under Event Comments and Attachments and must be attached to the corresponding question in the event.

New Questions as of 6/9/26 start below:

FAQ #6) I have received funding through the OSH T&E RFP in prior years and was surprised that no awards were made under the original RFP that was issued on November 25, 2025. Will contracts under this new RFP have a later start date than prior years?

FAQ A #6) No. Contracts awarded under this RFP will have the same contract start date (August 1st) as the prior OSH T&E Contracts. Awarded bidders will be able to receive reimbursement for expenses that they incurred after August 1, 2026, and before the execution of their contract. Additionally, NYSDOL and the HAB will work to have contracts executed as soon as practicable after awards are made.

FAQ #7) Is this bid event in SFS?

FAQ A #7) Yes, it is Event ID OSH TE.

General Questions (GQ)

GQ #1) Are local governments subject to Public Employee Safety & Health (PESH) regulations eligible to apply?

GA #1) Information on bidder eligibility can be found in Section III.B. of the [RFP](#).

GQ #2) Is there a cost share/match requirement?

GA #2) The [RFP](#) does not contain any information pertaining to cost share or matching fund requirements.

New Questions as of 6/9/26 start below:

GQ #3) If we submit the RFP 4-5 days prior to the deadline will someone contact us if there is more information needed?

GA #3) Bidder's proposals are not available for NYSDOL staff's review until the June 15, 2026, submission deadline passes.

Additionally, this RFP is subject to State Finance Law §§ 139-j and 139-k, also known as the "Lobbying Law," and there are restrictions on communications between NYSDOL and a Bidder during the procurement process. Bidders can only communicate with designated agency staff from the earliest written notice of intent to solicit responses that may result in a procurement contract through the final award and approval of the contract. This is known as the "restricted period."

Improper communications during the restricted period jeopardize the integrity of the solicitation and can result in a Bidder being barred from receiving award.

GQ #4) If a bidder submitted a proposal to the RFP issued on November 25, 2025, can the information provided in that proposal be submitted again in the proposal due on June 15, 2026?

GA #4) There were no changes made to the content of the new [RFP](#); therefore, the information provided in a Bidder's proposal submitted to the first RFP released may be submitted in a response to the RFP due on June 15, 2026. However, it is up to the Bidder to ensure the proposal submitted by the June 15, 2026, deadline meets all the requirements of the RFP.

GQ #5) How can we find out if our project proposal fits the criteria of the 2026-2027 Occupational Safety and Health Training and Education Program?

GA #5) Information on the use of funds, including allowable costs (training and education activities) and restrictions on the use of funds for training, can be found in Section II.A. of the [RFP](#).

GQ #6) Can we submit the same attachments that were submitted in November 2025 or does the date need to be updated?

GA #6) As this is a new [RFP](#), new attachments must be included in the proposal submission. This will ensure the information submitted is current and accurate.

GQ #7) We are a 501(c)3 not-for-profit (NFP) organization. If we have a partnership with a small business that will provide the Occupational and Safety training, do we submit the required documentation (VRAQ, MWBE-1, MWBE-2, MBWE-4, MBWE-5, SDVOB-1, SDVOB-3, EO177, EO-16, KC, OSHTC, PCOI, WP, and GBVWC) for only our NFP or for both organizations?

GA #7) All required attachments must be submitted for the Bidder. Information on attachments can be found in Sections II.G., IV.C., V.B.1., and VII. of the [RFP](#), as well as in the instructions of the individual attachments.

GQ #8) As an NFP, we do not get MWBE status so in the waiver form, do we apply for full waiver for both MBE and WBE?

GA #8) Information on Bidder participation requirements related to MWBEs can be found in Sections II.G.1. and II.G.2 of the [RFP](#).

GQ #9) Can you confirm that the “OSH T&E Terms and Conditions (OSHTC) Applicable to Training and Education Program” just needs to be uploaded as a response as that document does not have any required signature or information to fill in?

GA #9) Information on the submission of the OSHTC attachment can be found in Section II.F. of the [RFP](#).

GQ #10) For the Work Plan, do we only have to submit the summary in SFS, and the rest is submitted in a PDF or document format?

GA #10) Information on submitting the Work Plan Project Summary and Work Plan (WP) attachment can be found in Section V.B.3. of the [RFP](#).