

"Aidspan Guide to Applying to the Global Fund" Due Out Shortly

The "Aidspan Guide to Applying to the Global Fund" will be released by March 7. It will be accessible at www.aidspan.org/guides, where the "Aidspan Guide to Obtaining Global Fund-Related Technical Assistance" is already available.

The Guide to applying to the Fund is not intended to be a "cheat sheet." The objective is to de-mystify the process and to provide a clearer feeling of what is expected. It is based on the premise that there is no single "correct" way of completing the proposal form. It encourages the applicant to clearly describe their plan to tackle HIV, TB or malaria, and to make a convincing case (if true) that the plan is viable, is capable of delivering the anticipated results, and is something that the applicant is committed to and capable of implementing.

The first half of the Guide contains an analysis of the most common strengths and weaknesses of proposals submitted to the Global Fund in Round 3. The information here is based on comments made by the Technical Review Panel (TRP). The second half consists of a step-by-step guide to filling out the proposal form.

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