

If we are a provider served by the metro north WIB and the Boston PIC and our Greater Boston Blueprint doesn't focus on advanced manufacturing, can we still apply? We have a local manufacturing employer near the college who may want to work with us to pursue this grant and I would like clarification on whether we would be eligible to apply.

Yes, you are eligible to apply. Regional planning blueprints are not an eligibility factor for this RFP.

Can/should we submit three applications? We anticipate applying for Machining, Welding and also Incumbent Worker training Programs. In the past we had one contract that was for incumbent worker and a machining training cohort under one application.

Yes, you will need to submit separate applications for each program.

If you are selected for more than one program, we may elect to combine them into one contract.

Clarification on partnership applications:

NAMC career center partners have already been identified to assist with recruitment, case management, and job placement for training participants, so it is not necessary to submit MOUs with MassHire Career Centers. If you are applying as a partnership among more than one organization other than MassHire Career Centers, i.e. multiple training organizations or schools, then you do need MOU(s) with those partners.

Can we use a single MOU from each partner in multiple applications?

Yes, you may use a single MOU on multiple applications if the partners are the same.

How do we complete the required Training Partner Checklist?

You do not need to "complete" the training partner checklist. You just need to simply confirm that you are agreeing to work with NAMC to complete the items on the checklist.

Should we include industry partners in the application and MOU for both incumbent and underemployed/unemployed worker training?

Applicants should include industry partners if they are proposing incumbent worker training. The industry partners should be the businesses that employ the proposed incumbent worker training participants.

Applicants may include industry partners for pre-employment applications, but it is not necessary.

Is there a need for a letter of Intent for this grant?

No.

Do you feel the need lies more new worker training, or with incumbent worker training?

For the purposes of this RFP, NAMC is not taking a position one way or the other. Applicants may propose either new worker training or incumbent worker training based on their expertise, experience, capacity, and knowledge of the industry.

Would you be able to direct us to a source for an instructor? We have some idea; we want to be sure we cover all sources.

Applicants are responsible for proposing a program that adheres to guidelines described in the RFP and answer all questions contained in the RFP. One of the narrative questions asks applicants to describe who the instructor will be. If an applicant does not yet have an instructor identified, they should respond that the position is to be hired, attach a job description for the position, and describe the process they will undertake to identify and hire the instructor.