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Responses to Questions Submitted by Interested Parties regarding Request for Information (RFI) No. RFI-WCC-2020-001
“Implementation Research Case Studies: Approaches to Advance Respectful Woman-Centered Care”.

Question 1: Is there any chance Kosovo could be added to the list of countries that are considered for this grant?

Response to Question 1: Proposed opportunities implemented outside of USAID MNCH priority countries are unlikely to be selected for awards.

Question 2: Can the service delivery organization from LMIC (NGO) with inbuilt research function conducting relevant IR supported by research and academic institutions from the US, can apply for this grant?

Response to Question 2: Per the RFI, “Applicants must be an implementation assistance provider or service delivery organization in partnership with a local research institution.” A US-based research institution does not substitute for a locally-based research partner. Both types of local institutions (service delivery and research) must be proposed. Additional partnership and technical assistance, including from institutions in the US or other high-income countries, is welcome but would have to be worked into to the local organization’s budget or be in kind.