



**List of Questions Received for  
Invitation for Proposal 2020-SA-900  
Advocacy Summit**

1. Can you tell me if these events are [sic] have [sic] a [sic] another meeting planning [sic] handling them in the past?

**Answer: No.**

2. Is the University of Delaware involved with this event?

**Answer: No.**

3. There is no city or location specified, does the council have a geographic area they prefer?

**Answer: No. The Council anticipates that the selected provider will work with the stakeholder workgroup and Council staff to determine the best location for the summit. However, to limit travel costs, it is anticipated that a central location in the state (e.g., Orlando) will likely be selected.**

4. Using this \$300,000 budget, the council intends to pay for all participants' travel, meals and lodging during the 2 1/2 day event, correct?

**Answer: Yes.**

5. In our work for other councils, they often have separate funds for advocate travel expenses who are attending conferences. Does FDDC have this type of fund and can it be used to help pay for participants' travel, meals and lodging?

**Answer: No. Funds for advocate travel expenses have been included in this proposal.**

6. Related to questions 4 and 5, can the funds be used for family and friends and Direct Service Professionals assisting with transportation and logistical support for participating advocates?

**Answer: Yes. Some individuals with disabilities require personal care assistance and it is anticipated that funds will also be used for these purposes.**

7. If more than 150 people want to register for the event, will the council provide additional funding on a per participant basis including family and friends and Direct Service Professionals providing support services for attendees or will the conference be capped at 150 attendees?

**Answer: No. The primary intended audience is family members of individuals with intellectual disabilities and self-advocates. Family members, friends, or direct service professionals who are funded to provide direct supports in a personal care assistant capacity are not considered participants, as their role is ancillary in supporting the intended audience.**

8. If the budget allows, we would propose working with all of the strategic partners to develop a coordinated social media campaign and targeting their memberships to promote the conference. Is the council interested in communications strategies that goes [sic] beyond FDDC's partners to reach broader, unaffected, underserved DD populations across the state?

**Answer: No. The Council's primary intent is to enhance the leadership skills of alumni and members of the Council's currently funded family and self-advocate efforts that have already provided basic skills training for these individuals in advocacy and leadership.**

9. If the budget allows, is the council interested in supporting a media relations campaign leading up to and during the conference?

**Answer: No. We do not believe that this will be necessary as we already know who are intended audience is, and we have mechanisms in place to reach the intended audience.**

10. Are participants expected to pay a fee to attend or for their rooms so the budget can be used on other priorities?

**Answer: No. There will be no costs for summit participants.**

11. Is the conference by invitation or open to all interested people concerned with disability rights in the State of Florida?

**Answer: Invitation.**

12. Is there a preferred region or city for hosting the Advocacy Summit?

**Answer: See the answer to Question 3.**

13. Given the current developments surrounding COVID-19, are you still expecting submissions and, if so, have any deadlines for submissions changed?

**Answer: We are still expecting submissions. The deadline for submissions for this IFP has not changed. All submissions must be received by 4:00 p.m. (EDT) on April 9, 2020.**