

## **COVID Health Equity Manchester - Targeted Engagement Grant 21/22**

### **KEY INFORMATION:**

Grants available: Up to £10,000 per bid. Please note organisations can only bid once per round.

Who can apply: Groups as outlined below.

Opening date (for applications): 12<sup>th</sup> August 2021

Closing date (for applications): 20<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Decisions made: Decisions will be made in September, and we expect delivery to begin in October

Start date for activity: To commence asap once the grant agreement has been signed.

Monitoring date(s): TBC

Key contacts: Sade Phillip & Seb Gooderson

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### **FUNDING INFORMATION**

The CHEM (COVID Health Equity Manchester) group was established in July 2020 in response to the disproportionate adverse effects COVID 19 has had on some of Manchester's communities. The group aims to achieve its objectives through collaborative whole system working, influence and advocacy as well as direct actions through its programme of work

The aim of the grant funding is:

- to engage with specific groups and communities to understand what is important to them, and how we can reduce the spread of COVID, severe illness and death in those communities.
- to create conditions that enable residents to make informed decisions about living safely and well with COVID. This can include vaccinations, testing, etc and COVID safety in the community.
- to improve vaccine coverage and COVID safety amongst specific Manchester communities.
- To support specific groups with the immediate indirect consequences of COVID-19 e.g., mental health, Domestic Violence & Abuse, Income loss etc.

### **Who can apply:**

Organisations that work with the following groups:

- Communities that experience racial inequality <sup>1</sup>
- Communities that experience racial inequality with a focus on young people
- Communities that experience racial inequality with a focus on women and girls
- People who do jobs that are at high risk – care workers, taxi drivers, security, hospitality
- Disabled People's groups and communities.
- Inclusion health groups - New or undocumented migrants, Asylum Seekers and Refugees, Gypsies, Travellers and Roma, Sex Workers
- LGBTQIA+ Communities that experience racial inequality.

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<sup>1</sup> Any group of people that are marginalised or suffer discrimination as a result of their race, their ethnicity or their skin colour. This would include people from all Black, Asian and minority ethnic communities

Manchester (ward boundary) based VCSE organisations and/or organisations predominantly serving Manchester residents

Voluntary and community organisations with charitable objectives working in Manchester which meet or contribute to the grant priorities.

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**Grants can be awarded for the following:**

1. Items of equipment.
2. To provide the costs for community events or engagements.
3. To produce publicity material or meet the costs of taking part in events which publicise the project services.
4. Volunteer expenses and training for volunteers.
5. Costs of interpretations, translations, and alternative formats.
6. Costs towards sessional work

**Points to consider when making an application:**

1. The maximum grant available for applications is £10,000.
  2. We welcome applications from groups but will not fund individuals
  3. Grants will not be awarded for ongoing costs
  4. Funding is provided on a one-off basis and is not renewable
  5. The decision to award a small grant rest with the Council and there is no appeal process.
  6. For community events please supply date and venue/ medium (e.g., webinar).
  7. Evidence of costs is required with all applications. As part of the assessment, we will consider if the costs appear reasonable.
  8. Funding will not be awarded retrospectively.
  9. If the application form is not fully completed and the necessary supporting evidence not provided, then the application will be refused.
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Please apply via the link: <https://surveys.manchester.gov.uk/s/CHEMAutumn2021/>