# <u>Call for bids in Kazakhstan: e-</u> <u>learning courses</u>

The British Embassy in Nur-Sultan, Kazakhstan is now accepting project proposals for the 2020/2021 financial year that will end on 31 March 2021.

This year the British Embassy in Nur-Sultan is seeking to support projects that aim to institutionalise training on Gender-Based Violence (GBV) in the health sector, and strengthen health response to GBV in Kazakhstan.

There has been an increase in the number of victims of gender-based violence throughout the COVID-19 lockdown in Kazakhstan. One of hotlines, established to help victims of domestic violence, reported a 50% increase in the number of calls in the first half of April compared to February. 50% of girls are subjected to violent methods of upbringing in the family; including 21% who receive physical punishment and 45% experience psychological aggression and violence.

The British Embassy in Nur-Sultan is seeking to support the Government of Kazakhstan in its COVID-19 response plans, including actions on enhancing the GBV response mechanism, and working closely with the Ministry of Healthcare.

We are particularly interested in project proposals aimed towards developing E-learning courses that can deliver the following outcomes:

- 1. increased proficiency of health professionals in complying with the Clinical Protocol on Gender-Based Violence
- 2. strengthened capacity and expertise of health professionals in following suitable systems to refer GBV survivors within the health system and providing emergency and social care
- 3. increased awareness of GBV, amongst first responders including ambulance staff, nurses, doctors, police officers, psychologists and social workers
- 4. increased awareness of GBV amongst the general public, i.e. for people to understand the concept and develop a zero tolerance attitude toward the issue and abusers; for women to know their rights and be aware of the mechanisms available for them to be treated and protected in case they are GBV survivors

#### Characteristics

- the E-Learning courses should be comprehensive, self-standing and accessible in various free platforms including those of the British Government
- the courses to be available in Kazakh and Russian languages

## **Audience**

The target audience are first responders to emergency calls, including ambulance staff, nurses, doctors, social workers, psychologists and those

that may identify cases, e.g. teachers

# Bid guidance

- project will be funded in the 2020/2021 financial year that will end on 31 March 2021, with no expectation of continued funding beyond this period
- maximum budget limit: USD 38,000

#### Assessment

Bids will be assessed against the following criteria:

- alignment with the above mentioned thematic priorities and outcomes
- outcomes are achievable within the funding period
- project design includes clear monitoring and evaluation procedures
- sustainability demonstrating that project benefits continue after the funding ends
- risk and financial accountability procedures
- the organisation's safeguarding policies that ensure protection of beneficiaries
- overall value for money

#### **Process**

- 1. project proposals must be received by midnight on 17 July 2020. Late proposals will not be considered
- 2. proposals must be submitted using the attached forms only (Project Proposal and Activity Based Budget)
- 3. proposals must be submitted to <a href="mailto:ukinkz@fco.gov.uk">ukinkz@fco.gov.uk</a>
- 4. project proposals selected for further consideration will be notified on 31 July 2020
- 5. the British Embassy Nur-Sultan aim to sign grant agreements with successful project implementers by 14 August 2020

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#### **Documents**

Activity Based Budget Template (MS Excel Spreadsheet, 29.9KB)

Project Proposal Form above £10k (MS Word Document, 87.5KB)