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PEPFAR: Exploring Co-Financing as a Tool for Domestic Resource Mobilization

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There is growing pressure on PEPFAR, the U.S. global HIV program, to increase its planning for sustainability, including through domestic resource mobilization and, ultimately, transitioning financing at least in part to recipient countries.¹ While this is connected to a broader push in global health and development, driven by a constrained financing environment and desire to promote more country ownership of programs and services², there are specific questions facing PEPFAR's future. A National Academy <u>report</u> from 2017, for example, recommended that PEPFAR look toward phasing down its spending and supporting countries in their transition from bilateral aid to domestic financing for HIV. At a <u>Senate hearing</u> last year, PEPFAR was asked how it was working to increase domestic resources and under what conditions would it need less resources to accomplish its goals. Recent <u>challenges</u> in securing a five-year reauthorization of the program have only served to heighten the focus on sustainability and domestic resource mobilization. How PEPFAR does this, however, remains an ongoing question.

One potential tool is "<u>co-financing</u>" (sometimes referred to as "cost-sharing" or "co-investment") – that is, to require country recipients of PEPFAR funding to contribute resources to the HIV response. Co-financing is used for a variety of reasons, including to help share or spread costs and to promote ownership and sustainability in programs.³ Indeed, several global health and development institutions employ some kind of co-financing arrangement, as do some U.S. government programs. While PEPFAR, and most U.S. global health and development programs, are bound by requirements under the Foreign Assistance Act to ensure some level of cost-sharing by countries,⁴ some stakeholders have specifically recommended that PEPFAR adopt a policy either to mobilize additional resources or to facilitate reduced U.S. funding.⁵

This policy brief identifies options and issues PEPFAR could consider if it moves in the direction of a new co-financing policy, based on the experiences of other global health and development institutions. It first examines current U.S. law regarding co-financing and PEPFAR's prior experience with domestic resource mobilization. It then assesses the co-financing policies⁶ of six other institutions to draw out questions and issues for PEPFAR. The six institutions examined were: Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance (Gavi); the Global Environment Facility (GEF); the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria (Global Fund); the Green Climate Fund (GCF); the Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC) and the Pandemic Fund (PF).

Current U.S. Law and PEPFAR's Experience

U.S. Law

The Foreign Assistance Act (FAA)⁷, which governs U.S. foreign assistance and programs including PEPFAR and other global health efforts, has long had a co-financing requirement (which it refers to as "cost-sharing"). Specifically, Section 110 of the FAA, as amended, states that:

"No assistance shall be furnished by the United States Government to a country under Sections 103 through 106 of this Act until the country provides assurance to the President, and the President is satisfied, that such country will provide at least 25 per centum of the costs of the entire program, project, or activity with respect to which such assistance is to be furnished, except that such costs borne by such country may be provided on an "in-kind" basis."⁸

The requirement applies to bilateral development and global health assistance that is obligated to a host country (but not to grants, cooperative agreements, or contracts with public international organizations, non-governmental organizations, or other implementing partners unless obligated through a bilateral agreement with the host country.) Sources of cost-sharing are expected to come from host country budgets, although in some cases, they may come from other country resources. In-kind contributions (e.g., buildings, materials, personnel, as well as policy actions or institutional changes that further project goals) are also allowable. There is also an option to waive the cost-sharing requirement (under Section 124(d) of the FAA) on a case-by-case basis for "relatively least developed countries", defined as countries on the <u>DAC list of aid recipients</u> categorized as "least developed countries" or "other low income countries" or those on the <u>World Bank's</u> "heavily indebted poor countries" (HIPC) list. This policy, while assuring some level of cost-sharing by countries, does not require progressive or additional country financing over time.

PEPFAR's Experience

While created in 2003 as an emergency program, the importance of <u>building sustainable capacity</u> in PEPFAR countries was recognized from the onset, including in PEPFAR's <u>authorizing legislation</u> and <u>first</u> <u>strategy</u>. When the program was <u>reauthorized</u> five years later, in 2008, Congress placed an even greater emphasis on sustainability and instructed PEPFAR to develop new compacts or framework agreements with countries to promote sustainability that, among other things, included "cost sharing assurances" that met the requirements of FAA Section 110 (essentially reiterating the current law).⁹ PEPFAR developed "Partnership Frameworks" guidance and, in addition to the cost-sharing requirement, encouraged countries to increase domestic resources where possible. For example, the <u>guidance</u> stated: "For purposes of Partnership Frameworks, promoting sustainability means supporting the partner government in growing its capacity to lead, manage, and ultimately finance its health system with indigenous resources (including its civil society sector), rather than external resources, to the greatest extent possible." In addition, it called for the development of a timeline of increasing partner government

financial commitments and criteria for tracking such support. Ultimately, PEPFAR developed Partnership Frameworks with 22 countries and regions, but these were time limited arrangements that ended after a five-year period. In addition, an <u>evaluation</u> identified several challenges with realizing increased domestic resources, including: vague indicators that made monitoring and measurement difficult; the absence of financing commitments in some agreements or inclusion of non-domestic sources as commitments; the lack of evidence for increased domestic investment; and economic hardship that made it difficult for some countries to contribute resources.

Beyond Partnership Frameworks, PEPFAR has, at other times, sought to emphasize the importance of and/or mobilize additional domestic resources from countries. For example:

- In its <u>2012 Blueprint for Creating an AIDS Free Generation</u>, PEPFAR stated that it would work to "implement incentives for annual progressive increases in domestic cofinancing that complement strategic investments by donors".
- In 2013, <u>PEPFAR guidance</u> included the need for countries to increase and report on the use of their own resources for the HIV response, and categorized countries by their economic capacity, including countries that could "co-finance" more of their response. Also at that time, PEPFAR instituted <u>Sustainability Plans</u> as a way to work with countries to, among other things, increasingly finance the national HIV response.
- In 2019, PEPFAR introduced "<u>Minimum Program Requirements</u>" (MPRs), one of which was the need for countries to provide evidence of increased resource commitments by host governments annually.
- Currently, PEPFAR is working to develop "<u>Sustainability Roadmaps</u>" with countries that will include the need to increase domestic financing of the HIV response.

Beyond the cost-sharing requirement that already exists under the FAA, however, PEPFAR has not instituted a policy designed to mobilize additional domestic resources over time from countries, as some have called for, and there is limited information available on the status of its prior efforts.

Box 1: Co-Financing Policy Considerations

- 1. Linking co-financing to mission and objectives
- 2. Scaling co-financing to country income/fiscal health
- 3. What "counts" as a co-financing source
- 4. Specifying co-financing amounts/shares
- 5. Specifying progressive co-financing
- 6. Allowing for exceptions/waivers
- 7. Identifying clear measurement, monitoring, and reporting criteria
- 8. Addressing non-compliance
- 9. Piloting or phasing-in a new policy
- 10. Coordination with other donors

Considerations for PEPFAR

Should PEPFAR choose to institute such a requirement, analysis of the co-financing policies of six other institutions raises questions and issues for PEPFAR to consider, including (see Box and Appendix):

- 1. Linking co-financing to mission and objectives. All six institutions examined link co-financing to their organizational missions, priorities, and/or project objectives. For example, Gavi's co-financing requirement is specific to the purchase of vaccines; the GEF policy is intended to support implementation of a GEF-financed project or program and achievement of its objectives; and the MCC requires contributions from countries toward meeting MCC objectives. The Global Fund has a mix: it ties some co-financing to Global Fund programs, but also to broader, health system financing. In PEPFAR's case, co-financing could be tied to the national HIV program, as it was in its prior Minimum Program Requirement. This approach would support Congressional intent to combat HIV, and sustainability of the HIV response specifically. Additionally, PEPFAR could consider tying co-financing to a specific HIV-related service or activity only (as Gavi does). On the other hand, a broader approach, similar to the Global Fund's tying co-financing to the health system, may yield wider health benefits (although not necessarily for HIV).
- 2. Scaling co-financing to country income/fiscal health. Three institutions Gavi, the Global Fund, and the MCC scale co-financing amounts or policies to country income classifications (requiring greater contributions from countries with higher incomes). Scaling a new co-financing policy this way would protect PEPFAR recipient countries with less fiscal capacity and recognize the greater capacity of countries with stronger economies. However, since such an approach may not capture the full fiscal health of a country or burden on individuals and households, PEPFAR could also consider using additional measures, such as debt burden, share of household out-of-pocket expenditures on health, and/or share of domestic revenues spent on health, to assess country fiscal capacity.
- 3. What "counts" as a co-financing source. The six institutions examined vary in the sources and types of resources they count towards fulfilling co-financing requirements. While all six include domestic resources, only the Global Fund limits allowable co-financing to domestic revenues; in its case, these could be domestic public resources (government revenues, government borrowings, social health insurance, and debt relief proceeds) and/or domestic private resources (contributions from domestic corporations and philanthropies). The others allow multiple sources to fulfill co-financing requirements, including, in some cases, external donor support. Two institutions the GEF and the MCC explicitly include in-kind contributions as a source of co-financing. If PEPFAR pursues a new policy, assessing and identifying allowable sources would be important for setting clear expectations. Whether such sources are limited to domestic revenues only (as in the case of the Global Fund) or broader sources (as in the case of other institutions) may depend on PEPFAR's goals (e.g., if it is interested in mobilizing additional domestic revenues specifically or in substituting for U.S. government resources more generally).
- 4. **Specifying co-financing amounts/shares**. Few institutions examined include a specific co-financing amount. Exceptions are Gavi and the MCC (Gavi has specific price per dose requirements and the

MCC has specific percentage requirements, each scaled in some way to country circumstances). The Global Fund, on the other hand, has a more general requirement to increase the amount invested over time and the GEF, GCF, and PF do not have any specifications for countries or projects, though the GEF does have overall co-financing targets at its full portfolio level. PEPFAR could consider specifying an amount or percentage of co-financing, which might be easier to measure and provide predictable projections of co-financing. Alternatively, it could consider a more general requirement to increase co-financing over time (akin to its earlier Minimum Program Requirement and the Global Fund's policy), which may be easier to implement and allow for more flexibility for countries based on their unique circumstances, but not provide predictability and could be harder to measure.

- 5. Specifying progressive co-financing. While all six institutions include the importance of "additionality" in their definitions (that co-financing brings additional resources to the project, mission, or health system) only two institutions Gavi and the Global Fund specifically require an increasing share of resources to be provided over time. Gavi's policy is designed to have countries progressively co-finance their vaccines until they are fully funding vaccine procurement. The Global Fund requires countries to demonstrate progressive government expenditure on health and increasing co-financing of Global Fund supported programs. While not a requirement, the PF encourages countries to progressively commit to increasing co-financing over time. On the other hand, the MCC's requirement is static, set at a specific percentage that does not change over time, and the GEF and GCF do not have any specific requirements for countries. If PEPFAR's goal is to mobilize additional domestic resources it might consider setting a co-financing level above what a country does now or designing a progressive co-financing policy, along the lines of what Gavi has done (having countries increasingly finance their own programs over time).
- 6. Allowing for exceptions/waivers. All but one institution (the GCF) includes an explicit provision regarding waivers of co-financing in exceptional circumstances, typically for fiscal or humanitarian crises. Including such a provision is intended to protect countries when they encounter unexpected or protracted difficulties or otherwise face challenging conditions. U.S. law already allows for this in its cost-sharing requirement, albeit only for certain countries. PEPFAR could consider expanding this to apply to any country it supports, if it were to institute a co-financing requirement.
- 7. Identifying clear measurement, monitoring, and reporting criteria. How institutions measure, monitor, and report on co-financing contributions varies significantly and is generally more stringent if co-financing is required and there are repercussions for non-compliance (see below). For example, for Gavi, measurement and monitoring are based on the actual purchase of vaccine doses by countries. The MCC requires verifiable country records and may conduct on-site monitoring and verification. The Global Fund requires government letters of commitment and monitors commitments based on verified budget or other documentation. The PF, however, more generally states that co-financing will be documented in annual reports. Choosing clear measurement and monitoring, as well as reporting, criteria, will be important for the success and accountability of any new policy.
- Addressing non-compliance. While all six institutions require co-financing information to be submitted in applications, only three – Gavi, The Global Fund, and the MCC – state that they will take action for non-compliance, including the potential to lose financial support. The other three do not specify any consequences for non-compliance, although the GCF and PF say they score

applications, in part, based on submission of co-financing information. Whether PEPFAR decides to include consequences for non-compliance will likely affect the strength of the policy but also could potentially risk adverse consequences on program outcomes (e.g., if non-compliance resulted in loss of funding that threatened vital services). To address this concern, PEPFAR could consider implementing "guardrails" that protect certain services (e.g., antiretroviral treatment) or populations (e.g., key and vulnerable populations) from loss of funding due to country co-financing non-compliance.

- 9. Piloting or phasing-in a new policy. Because a co-financing policy would introduce a new element to PEPFAR's relationships with countries, it could consider piloting the requirement in a subset of countries or for a subset of services and/or phasing it in over time. Gavi, for example, explored interim approaches to co-financing a few years before fully implementing its policy for all countries.¹⁰ As part of a pilot, PEPFAR could test whether incentivizing countries, at least in the short term (e.g., by offering additional matching funds for certain services or guaranteeing a certain amount of support for a period of time), might assist in a transition to co-financing, and help mobilize country resources over time.
- 10. **Coordination with other donors**. Finally, if PEPFAR were to decide to institute a co-financing requirement, there is a risk that such a policy could overburden countries facing similar requirements from other institutions, and/or create mixed or cross-purpose incentives that could impact health outcomes. Coordinating across institutions would help to mitigate against these risks. In PEPFAR's case, coordination with the Global Fund would be particularly important, given that both PEPFAR and the Global Fund support many of the same countries in their HIV response.

Whether PEPFAR ultimately decides to institute a new co-financing requirement remains to be seen, although Congress and other stakeholders are increasingly asking the program to identify ways in which it will promote sustainability and less reliance on U.S. government support over time. This analysis of other institutional co-financing policies offers a range of questions and issues for PEPFAR to consider should it move in this direction.

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Endnotes

¹ In addition to financial, PEPFAR's sustainability framework also includes political and programmatic domains. See, *PEPFAR, FY 2024 Technical Considerations*, available at: <u>https://www.state.gov/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/FY-2024-PEPFAR-Technical-Considerations.pdf</u>.

² See, for example: The Future of Global Health Initiatives, 2023, *The Lusaka Agenda: Conclusions of the Future of Global Health Initiatives Process*, available at:

https://d2nhv1us8wflpq.cloudfront.net/prod/uploads/2023/12/Lusaka-Agenda.pdf; Collins, Téa E et al., 2024, "Converging global health agendas and universal health coverage: financing whole-of-government action through UHC+", *The Lancet Global Health*, Volume 11, Issue 12, e1978 - e1985, available at: https://www.thelancet.com/journals/langlo/article/PIIS2214-109X(23)00489-8/fulltext.

³ See, for example: Millennium Challenge Corporation, *Principles for Country Contributions*, available at: <u>https://www.mcc.gov/resources/doc/policy-country-</u>

contributions/#:~:text=Corporation%27s%20Accountable%20Entities.-

,Principles%20for%20Country%20Contributions,-The%20following%20principles; Gavi Alliance, Co-Financing Policy, available at: https://www.gavi.org/sites/default/files/programmes-impact/Gavi-Cofinancing-Policy.pdf; Global Fund, Sustainability, Transition, and Co-Financing Policy, available at: https://www.theglobalfund.org/media/14383/core_sustainability-transition-cofinancing_policy_en.pdf.

⁴ The Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, Section 110, available at: <u>https://www.usaid.gov/sites/default/files/2022-05/faa.pdf#page=64.</u>

⁵ Over M, Glassman, A, "Strengthening Incentives for a Sustainable Response to AIDS: A PEPFAR for the AIDS Transition", in *The White House and the World 2016*, Center for Global Development. Available at: <u>https://www.cgdev.org/sites/default/files/whw-pepfar.pdf</u>; Meisburger T, *Reassessing America's \$30 Billion Global AIDS Relief Program*, Heritage Foundation, May 2023. Available at: https://www.heritage.org/sites/default/files/2023-05/BG3765.pdf.

⁶ A recent analysis from the Center for Global Development also explored different agency co-financing models and assessed their relationship to spending patterns. See, Center for Global Development, 2024, *Conditioned Domestic "Co-financing" Policies in Global Health: A Landscape Analysis*, available at https://www.cgdev.org/sites/default/files/conditioned-domestic-co-financing-policies-global-health-landscape-analysis.pdf.

⁷ The Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, available at: <u>https://www.usaid.gov/sites/default/files/2022-05/faa.pdf</u>.

⁸ The Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, Section 110, available at: <u>https://www.usaid.gov/sites/default/files/2022-05/faa.pdf#page=64</u>.

⁹ While data on the value of cost-sharing by countries are not available, KFF analysis of PEPFAR obligations in FY 2022 (the most recent complete year available) finds that \$216.6 million, or 3% of total PEPFAR obligations, went to governments. A 25% cost-sharing match would represent \$54 million.

¹⁰ Dimitrios Gouglas, Klara Henderson, Jens Plahte, Christine Årdal, John-Arne Røttingen. 2014. *Evaluation of the GAVI Alliance Co-financing Policy*. Report commissioned by the GAVI Alliance. Norwegian Institute of Public Health, Oslo.

Appendix Table

	Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance (Gavi)	Global Environment Facility (GEF)	Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria (Global Fund)	Green Climate Fund (GCF)	Millenium Challenge Corporation (MCC)	Pandemic Fund (PF)
Institutional Definition	Share of total costs of vaccines borne by countries (not applied to Gavi funding for health systems/ immunisation strengthening).	Financing that is additional to GEF project financing and supports implementation of a GEF-financed project or program and achievement of its objective(s) and excludes recurrent expenditures.	Pooled domestic public and domestic private contributions that finance the health sector and national strategic plans supported by the Global Fund. Goal is to leverage additional domestic financing.	Financial resources, whether public or private, in addition to the GCF proceeds to implement GCF funded activity or project.	Contributions from countries toward meeting MCC objectives. These must be additional to government spending allocated towards Compact's objectives.	Co-financing is financial resources from Implementing Entities or other sources in addition to the PF grant. Co-investment is financial resources and linked non-monetary policy commitments from countries in addition to PF grant.
Applies To	All countries seeking support.	All applicants.	All countries seeking support.	All countries seeking support.	All countries seeking Compact funding.	All applicants.
Policy Details	Countries required to share in cost of vaccine procurement for routine vaccination. Amount varies by country- income classification and transition status from Gavi eligibility. Countries divided into: initial self- financing (\$0.20/dose); preparatory transition (first year at \$0.20/dose; thereafter, price fraction increases by 15%/year); accelerated transition (price fraction increases by 15% in year 1, then linearly to 100%).	Co-financing target set at overall GEF portfolio level, not individual program or project level, where no minimum amount specified. Overall portfolio target is co- financing to GEF project financing of at least 7:1 and 5:1 for portfolio in Upper- Middle Income Countries and High- Income Countries.	Countries required to demonstrate progressive government expenditure on health (variable by share of domestic government spending on health and disease burden) and increasing co-financing of Global Fund supported programs. No specific amounts specified. At least 15% of funding conditional on increases in co-financing (variable by country income classification). For LICs, additional domestic investments should be at least 50% allocation tied to co-financing; for MICs, it is 100%.	Co-financing information should be included in funding proposals and used as part of criteria for assessment. No minimum amount specified.	Countries required to co-finance their Compacts. Specific co- financing amounts vary by country income classification and whether Compact is first, second, or concurrent as follows: 1st compact LIC (No minimum), 1st Compact LMIC (7.5%), 2nd Compact LIC (7.5%), 2nd Compact LMIC (15%); Concurrent LIC or LMIC (required but no minimum specified).	Implementing entities encouraged to identify co-financing for projects. Governments encouraged to commit to progressively increasing co- investments over time. Can be scaled to country income classification. Applications scored in part on this basis. No specific amounts specified. No minimum amount specified.

	Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance (Gavi)	Global Environment Facility (GEF)	Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria (Global Fund)	Green Climate Fund (GCF)	Millenium Challenge Corporation (MCC)	Pandemic Fund (PF)
Source(s) of co- financing	Must be non-Gavi funding.	Can be from any source including funding from domestic governments, donors, civil society, and in-kind support.	Domestic public resources can include government revenues, government borrowings, social health insurance, and debt relief proceeds including Debt2Health arrangements with the Global Fund. Domestic private contributions include only those from domestic corporations and philanthropies.	No specific sources that must be complied with.	Financial and in-kind country resources. Financial can include country government resources, as well as other financial instruments including cash, grants, loans, securities, guarantees. Cannot be USG (except DFC loan) or count toward other donor co- financing requirements.	Co-financing sources: implementing entities, governmental donors, philanthropies, and the private sector. Co-investment sources: Domestic government resources, buy down of interest rates, and repayments of loans.
Waivers/ Flexibility	Waivers or adjustments can be made in exceptional circumstances (e.g., humanitarian or fiscal crises).	Exceptions can be made in cases of emergency or unforeseen circumstances.	Waivers can be made in exceptional circumstances (e.g., fiscal or humanitarian crises).	Not specified, but GFC co-financing principles state that "Co-financing may not always be achievable or realistic".	Waivers of certain requirements on case by case basis, but requirement for lower middle income countries is statutory and cannot be waived.	Exceptions can be made for countries in or at risk of debt distress.
Monitoring/ Compliance	Requirement fulfilled through actual co- purchasing of doses with Gavi and is condition for receiving support. A country in default will not be approved for new vaccine support, and funding disbursements for health system and immunization strengthening may be suspended.	Secretariat collects data and information on expected and actual co- financing mobilized at the portfolio and recipient country level and reports annually.	A letter outlining co- financing commitments and signed by the Ministry of Finance or other government authority is mandatory prior to grant approval. Compliance based on verified budget execution and budget allocation data provided by the country, through national expenditure assessments, or by audited financials. Failure to comply factored into subsequent allocations and Secretariat, at its discretion, may withhold proportional share of disbursements or reduce annual grant amounts.	Accredited entities monitor and report on co-financing at the project level. Secretariat monitors and reports on overall co-financing at the funded activity and portfolio level based on the information provided by accredited entities.	Must be verifiable by country records. Monitored by MCC and authorized agent. Additionality must be demonstrated. MCC may conduct on-site monitoring and verification. Audit reports must include co- financing information. If country not in compliance, MCC may withhold, reduce, suspend or terminate assistance.	Documented in annual project reports.

Gavi:

- Current Policy, 2023: <u>https://www.gavi.org/sites/default/files/programmes-impact/Gavi-Co-financing-Policy.pdf</u>
- Funding Framework: https://www.gavi.org/sites/default/files/board/minutes/2022/7-8-dec/11a%20-%20Annex%20A%20-%20Framework%20for%20Gavi%20Funding%20to%20Countries.pdf

Global Environment Facility:

- Current Policy, 2018: <u>https://www.thegef.org/sites/default/files/documents/GEF_FI_PL_01_Cofinancing_Policy_2018.pdf</u>
- Guidelines: https://www.thegef.org/sites/default/files/documents/GEF_FI_GN_01_Cofinancing_Guidelines_2018.pdf

Global Fund:

- Current Policy, 2016: https://archive.theglobalfund.org/media/4221/archive bm35-04-sustainabilitytransitionandcofinancing policy en.pdf
- Guidance: https://www.theglobalfund.org/media/5648/core_sustainabilityandtransition_guidancenote_en.pdf
- Operational Policy Note: https://www.theglobalfund.org/media/13685/gmd_co-financing_opn_en.pdf
- Update on Co-Financing: https://archive.theglobalfund.org/media/13537/archive_bm50-13-co-financing_update_en.pdf

Green Climate Fund:

• Current Policy, 2019: https://www.greenclimate.fund/sites/default/files/document/policy-cofinancing.pdf

MCC:

- Current Policy, 2023: https://www.mcc.gov/resources/doc/policy-country-contributions/
- Section 609(b)(2) of the Millennium Challenge Act of 2003, as amended: <u>https://assets.mcc.gov/content/uploads/mca-legislation-2018-amendments.pdf#page=11</u>

Pandemic Fund:

- Guiding Principles, 2023: <u>https://thedocs.worldbank.org/en/doc/5a0aa2579f4e93c75cd913c7729e747b-0200022022/related/PF-First-Call-for-Proposals-Annex-4.pdf</u>
- Guidance Note for Applicants, Second Round: https://thedocs.worldbank.org/en/doc/8fa20db71c206d37ffbb1b8fe1f1f111-0390072023/original/Pandemic-Fund-2nd-Call-for-Proposals-Guidance-Note-Dec-22-2023.pdf
- Applicant Scoring and Weighting Methodology: https://www.thepandemicfund.org/sites/default/files/2024-03/Pandemic%20Fund%20-%20Proposals%20-%20Scoring%20and%20Weighting%20 ENGLISH.pdf