



Livestock Protection Innovation Grant Program Program Guidelines

The Livestock Protection Innovation Grant Program exists to assist in the development of vaccines against foreign animal diseases by a company based in Iowa that develops livestock and other animal vaccines.

Grant awards are up to a maximum of \$250,000.

Eligible companies must meet the following requirements:

- The company must be based in Iowa and develop livestock and other animal vaccines
- The company must have a prior relationship with the United States Department of Agriculture including a collaboration with the USDA-Agricultural Research Service or by having a product registered with the USDA-Center for Veterinary Biologics
- The company must have a vaccine platform that is viable for a foreign animal disease response

Eligible costs

- Grant funding may only cover direct costs of the proposed project including but not limited to personnel, supplies, equipment, travel, or other relevant costs.

Direct vs. Indirect Costs Guidance

Direct costs are those costs that can be identified specifically with the development of vaccines against foreign animal diseases or that can be directly assigned to such activities relatively easily with a high degree of accuracy.

Indirect costs are those costs that cannot easily be directly attributed to the development of vaccines against foreign animal diseases. Those costs are often identified as general administration and general expenses such as accounting, overhead, and all other types of expenditures not attributed specifically to the proposed project.

Applications will be reviewed and scored blindly as part of a competitive award process.

Scoring criteria (100 points total)

- Potential impact to protect Iowa's livestock industry (50 points)
- Sufficiency of proposed budget, workplan, and timelines (30 points)
- Sufficiency of application (20 points)

Awarded funds will be disbursed on a scheduled basis. Awardees will be required to submit regular reports to the Department.

Completed applications should be emailed to Vaccine@IowaAgriculture.gov along with all supporting documentation.