

UNITED NATIONS POPULATION FUND

Sub-regional Office for the Caribbean/Guyana invites applications from suitably **qualified Consultancy Teams**

CLOSING DATE:	October 12, 2021
DURATION:	2 months [October 26, 2021, to December 15, 2021]
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	UNFPA Sub-regional Office for the Caribbean/Guyana

I. BACKGROUND

The European Union (EU) and the United Nations (UN) embarked on a global initiative in 2018 focused on eliminating all forms of violence against women and girls (VAWG) - the Spotlight Initiative. The Spotlight Initiative country programme in Guyana was formulated in 2019 through extensive multi-stakeholder consultations and formally launched by the EU, the UN, and the Government of Guyana, on October 31, 2020.

II. PURPOSE OF CONSULTANCY

In spite of progress made towards the implementation of a responsive mechanism that seeks to hold several categories of practitioners/ professionals accountable and improve the quality of care and services being provided to survivors of Gender-Based Violence (GBV), many women and girls still have little or no access to the support and services that can protect them, assist in keeping them safe, and address the short and long-term consequences of the violence that they experience. As part of the effort to strengthen the delivery of a GBV Essential Services Package that is in line with international standards, efforts are being made to strengthen and increase the capacity of the Ministry of Human Services and Social Security as well as other relevant stakeholders in Guyana to deliver strengthened GBV case management services.

The delivery of GBV case management services allows for a structured method of providing help to a survivor whereby the survivor is informed of all the options available to them and the issues and problems facing a survivor are identified and followed up in a coordinated way, with emotional support being provided to the survivor throughout the process.¹ GBV case management allows for a collaborative, multi-sectoral process that assesses, plans, implements, coordinates, monitors and evaluates available resources, options and services to meet an individual survivor's needs and to promote quality,

¹ GBVIMS (2021). GBV Case Management. <https://www.gbvim.com/gbv-case-management-guidelines/>



effective outcomes.² It involves one organization, usually a psychosocial support or social services actor, taking responsibility for making sure that survivors are informed of all the options available to them and that challenges facing survivors and their families are identified and follow-up is conducted in a coordinated way, providing survivors with emotional support throughout the process.

Recognizing that GBV case management has also become the primary entry point for survivors to receive crisis and longer-term psychosocial support, given gaps in health and social support service providers in both developmental and humanitarian settings, there is need to strengthen GBV case management services in Guyana. This is critical since such efforts are a central component of strengthening a multi-sectoral and survivor-centred response to GBV in Guyana. The overall objective of this consultancy is therefore to enhance the capacity of personnel within the Ministry of Human Services and Social Security as well as other stakeholders to deliver strengthened GBV case management services within the Guyana context.

III. SUBMISSION DETAILS

- Please visit our website: <https://bit.ly/UNFPAGUYC> for the detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) and RFQ documents related to this solicitation for the bid submission procedures.
- Only bids that conform to the bid submission procedures contained in the RFQ documents will be accepted.
- Bids shall remain valid for a period of ninety (90) days from the RFQ expiry date.

Reference #: RFQ N° UNFPA/GUY/RFQ/21/001 – GBV Case Management Strengthening in Guyana context
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Only short-listed Consultancy Teams will be contacted.

Note:

- There is no application, processing or other fee at any stage of the application process.
- UNFPA does not solicit or screen for information in respect of HIV or AIDS and does not discriminate on the basis of HIV/AIDS status.

² Gender-Based Violence Case Management Capacity Building Initiative (2020) <https://www.gbvim.com/wp/wp-content/uploads/GBV-CM-CBI-Periodic-Review.pdf>