



**My child
*matters***
by Foundation S

2024 call for proposals

Guidelines

Context

Launched in 2005 to address the geographic inequality in survival rates and support children with cancer and their families, the My Child Matters program aims to improve diagnosis, access, and treatment in low- and middle-income countries (LMIC), while strengthening local healthcare systems. Foundation S's commitment directly supports WHO's crucial objective of achieving a 60% survival rate for all children with cancer worldwide by 2030, thus reflecting our dedication to this life-saving mission.

Since its launch, the My Child Matters program by Foundation S has supported more than 140,000 children with cancer and trained more than 51,000 healthcare professionals. In 2023 alone, 2,872 children were impacted by the program and 10,247 healthcare professionals were trained. Beyond this significant impact, the program emphasizes Foundation S's commitment to evaluating the quality of its initiatives through comprehensive monitoring and analytics.

The My Child Matters program extends beyond immediate care, since it also influences the wider field through extensive knowledge sharing, with more than 200 scientific communications published and available on the [open data platform](#). With the collective at the heart of Foundation S, we believe sharing experiences and data is essential to accelerate progress in the fight against childhood cancers.

2024 call for proposal focus

The My Child Matters program's scope includes:

- Health Care Strengthening with projects on early diagnosis and health care professional training.
- Paediatric care including access to care, pain management and palliative care.
- Family support with projects addressing treatment abandonment.



In 2024, the My Child Matters expert committee¹ will prioritize projects addressing **access to care** or **early diagnosis**.

In addition, specific attention will be given to projects that include novel and innovative technologies and/or digital solutions. These may include but are not limited to machine learning (ML) or artificial intelligence (AI). These innovative technologies are already transforming healthcare, and we aim to bring these advancements to the My Child Matters program.

Digital solutions that aim to improve diagnosis, support care, address differential diagnosis or predict treatment response or tolerance are welcomed.

The goal is to demonstrate the **added value of novel technologies and/or digital transformation** on children with cancer care in **LMIC** settings.



Mandatory proposal criteria

–Projects must involve at least **one health care professional specialized in paediatric oncology**. Depending on the project, other medical or digital specialists, or policymakers could be eligible as project lead.

–A minimum of **10% co-funding** for each project is compulsory.

–The application should be written in **English**.

Evaluation criteria

The My Child Matters expert committee will evaluate and select the projects based on the following criteria:

- Appropriate and clear link between project design and local or regional needs
- Objectives, outcomes, and anticipated impact clearly explained, feasible and measurable.
- Replicability in other settings or scalability
- A detailed sustainability plan for the end of the grant. If your sustainability plan includes stating the government will assume responsibility for sustainability, then your proposal will require evidence of the government's commitment to do so.
- Evidence of a higher institutional administrator or a person of authority approval of the project proposal
- Budget accurately estimated, detailed, precise, and consistent with local costs.

¹ *My Child Matters expert committee* is diverse, high-level, international expert committee comprising of pediatric oncologists nurses, family members, and global health specialists.

- Budget phasing correlated with milestones and outcomes.
- Evidence that the organization and accountable project lead is experienced in developing such projects.
- Project lead (also the contact) committed for the full duration of the grant.
- At least one scientific manuscript planned for publication in an academic peer-reviewed journal.
- Projects with training component must specify who will be the trainer(s).
- Projects on new technologies, digital transformation, ML/AI require successful experience with the proposed new technology within the organization or partnership. Evidence of implementation in a research context, and, as appropriate, details on internet connectivity, equipment, data volume and quality are also essential.

How to apply?

Applications must be submitted using CYBERGRANTS, link below:

[Foundation S - The Sanofi Collective - Log In \(cybergrants.com\)](https://cybergrants.com)

Applications sent by **email will NOT be accepted.**

For your application to be valid, all data must be completed on CYBERGRANT including **the requested documents to be uploaded.**

For your support, you can find the list of questions for the application that you will be asked in the appendix 1 and a CV template in the appendix 2.

If your concept note is selected, the second step will be the **submission of a full dossier.**

In specific cases (such as lack of experience in grant writing or limitation in English language...), a mentor can be offered to project leads to support the development of the full dossier.

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Calendar

- October 17th, 2024: the 2024 My Child Matters call for proposals launch.
- **January 6th, 2025: deadline for concept note submission.**
- Mid-Feb 2025: selection for full dossier submission
- March 14th, 2025: deadline for full dossier submission
- Mid-April 2025: final decision
- July-October 2025: projects start.



Appendix 1: information and concept note items on CYBERGRANTS

CONTACT INFORMATION

1. First name
2. Last name
3. Project title
4. Telephone
5. Email address

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

6. Legal name
7. Country
8. Address
9. City
10. State
11. Province
12. ZIP/Postal code
13. Mission statement
14. Main telephone
15. Website address
16. Main email address
17. Proof of non-profit status

ORGANIZATION DETAILS

18. Executive Director name
19. Organization overview & key successes
20. Geographic focus
21. Offices/main hubs
22. Currency
23. Organization budget file
24. Tax declaration form
25. Reason for no tax declaration form
26. Audited financial statements
27. Team members
28. Project lead's position

29. Project Lead's CV (**as an attached document**)
30. Bank Information Upload

PROJECT CONTEXT

31. Stakeholders
32. Stakeholders worksheet

PROJECT SUMMARY

33. Project title
34. Project country
35. Country 2 for project implementation (if more than 1 country)
36. Country 3 for project implementation (if more than 2 countries)
37. Project region
38. Requested amount
39. Total project budget
40. Co-funded?
41. Amount of co-funding
42. Name of co-funding donor
43. Has co-funding been granted?
44. Project start date
45. Project end date
46. Contextual overview
47. Executive project summary
48. Primary focus area
49. Overall project goal
50. Expected results/outcomes
51. Timeline and milestones

PROJECT PERFORMANCE

52. Measurement of success
53. Health system strengthening

Appendix 2: CV template suggested for the project lead.

ADMIN

First name
Last name
Date of birth
Nationality
Permanent Residence
Languages
Phone
Email

EDUCATION

Institution(s)	Dates (years)	Degree(s)
<i>Add row upon need</i>		

APPOINTMENTS/POSITIONS

Institution(s)	Dates (years)	Position/Title
<i>Add row upon need</i>		

OTHER INFORMATION

- Certificates with dates
- Achievements
- Main projects with Dates
- Responsibilities
- Skills

PUBLICATIONS /MAIN PUBLICATIONS

1. Publication 1
2. Publication 2
3. Publication 3

REFERENCES

First name
Last name
Title
Institution

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