
Programme Health

Area of Support: Mental health of children and adolescents

Open call for applications to fund projects from EEA Grants 2014-2021

The Ministry of Finance as Programme Operator in cooperation with the Ministry of Health – Programme Partner

announce on 15 May 2020 the **Open Call** for applications for funding of **projects from EEA Grants 2014-2021** in Programme **Health** (hereinafter referred to as “the Call”) with focus of potential– grant applications – on areas specified **below**.

I. Identification and time schedule of the Call

Programme Operator	Ministry of Finance of the Czech Republic
Call code	ZDOVA1
Call title	Support of mental health of children and adolescents
Date of the Call announcement	15. 5. 2020
Start date and time of submission of applications via IS CEDR	15. 5. 2020 9:00
End date and time of submission of applications via IS CEDR	31. 7. 2020 12:00

II. Objective and thematic focus of the Call

Mental health care in the Czech Republic had long been underfunded and not given sufficient attention. Moreover, there had been a stigmatization of patients and mental health care as a whole. Taking into account this situation, the previous programming period of the Norway Grants 2009-2014 focused on improving mental health care and supported activities in the field of destigmatization and deinstitutionalization of mental health care through the “Public Health Initiatives” programme. These activities were indirectly followed up by mental health care reform in the Czech Republic, which aims to improve the lives of people with mental illness by enhancing the quality, availability and interconnection of the necessary health and social services. Despite these activities, many important areas are still neglected in the field of mental health care such as mental health care of children and adolescents. The implementation of preventive and intervention activities aimed at child and adolescent population has the potential to significantly reduce the incidence and progression of mental illness in the subsequent course of life.

The objective of the Call is to help to reduce the risk of occurrence, escalation and chronification of mental health problems in children through the implementation of activities focused on prevention, early detection and diagnostics, effective intervention in subclinical and clinical forms of mental health problems in children and adolescents, strengthening and systemization of cooperation between the professions involved in mental health care, and raising awareness of mental health issues in under-age.

III. Allocation

The allocated amount of the Call decisive for the selection of projects for funding is **134 302 597 CZK** (5 225 782 EUR). Grants are awarded in CZK.

IV. Eligible applicants

The following eligible applicants may submit a grant application:

- healthcare providers of primary, specialized and/or stationary outpatient care as well as follow-up and/or long-term inpatient care according to Act No. 372/2011 Coll. (as amended) operating in the field of child and adolescent mental health care and/or paediatric clinical psychology; State contributory organizations established by the Ministry of Health conducting educational, scientific and/or research activities focused on mental illness and/or mental health.
- schools and school facilities (legal entities performing activities of schools or school facilities registered in the school register), school counselling facilities, facilities for institutional and protective education and preventive educational care, as well as universities established under Act No. 111/1998 Coll. on higher education institutions and on amendments and supplements to some other acts as amended. Schools and school facilities established by churches and religious societies whose subject matter is the provision of education or school services pursuant to Act No. 561/2004 Coll. on pre-school, primary, secondary, tertiary professional and other education as amended.

The precondition for submitting the application is at least one year's operation of the applicant's organization in its professional field mentioned above that is either in healthcare or in the field of education.

The applicant must be a legal entity, private or public, commercial or non-commercial, established in accordance with the legislation of the Czech Republic. **Natural persons and/or non-governmental organizations (NGOs)¹ are not eligible applicants in the Call.** NGOs are defined as private legal persons which are among the formalized structures of the civil society and fulfil the characteristics specified in document State Policy with Respect to Non-Governmental Organizations for the Years 2015 – 2020².

Each applicant may submit a maximum of 2 grant applications, each of which must target the implementation of different key activities listed in chapter VI. of this Call. If applicant submits more than 2 applications the Programme Operator will only accept the first two applications submitted, based on their date of submission in IS CEDR.

Potential applicants are not eligible to participate in the Call if:

- they are in liquidation, bankruptcy, impending bankruptcy or are being subject to insolvency proceedings within the meaning of Act No. 182/2006 Coll. on bankruptcy and settlement (Insolvency Law);
- they are in breach of their obligations relating to the payment of taxes, have arrears of insurance premiums or penalties for public health insurance, social insurance or contributions to the State employment policy³;
- they have liabilities towards state and other public budgets;
- they are subject to a recovery order issued following a previous decision of the European Commission, declaring the aid to be unlawful and incompatible with the common market.

The eligibility criteria are assessed during the administrative and eligibility assessment of the grant applications and must be met by the date of submission of grant application. Applicants declare whether they meet the exclusion criteria stated in previous paragraph as part of the declaration of honour included in grant application.

V. Eligible partners and support of projects implemented in partnership with donor states

One of the two main objectives of EEA Grants 2014-2021 is strengthening of partnerships between Czech entities and entities from donor states, i.e. Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway. Grant applications can therefore be submitted in partnership with relevant partner institutions from Donor States (Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway). Eligible expenditures for supporting and strengthening of bilateral partnerships may be included in the project budget.

Eligible project partners are public or private, commercial or non-commercial legal entities as well as non-governmental organizations established as legal persons in the territory of Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway, as well as similar entities from the Czech Republic, other Beneficiary States, or any international organization or body or agency thereof actively participating in the project and effectively contributing to its implementation.

VI. Eligible activities, project implementation period and sustainability

The deadline for the completion of projects and all the project activities is 31 December 2023⁴.

To be awarded grant, projects must implement activities in two or more of the following areas:

1. Activities focused on improving skills of parents and carers and enhancing parental capacities to prevent the occurrence and alleviate mental health problems in children and adolescents;
2. Implementing innovative and/or improving the current preventive, screening, diagnostic, therapeutic, social-rehabilitation and community-supportive methods and practices in the field of mental health care for children and adolescents;
3. Educating children and adolescents to improve their knowledge and skills in the field of mental health and strengthening the prevention of mental health problems;

¹ Schools and school facilities with legal form 141 public benefit organizations, 161 institute and 706 clubs are considered NGOs and they are **not eligible** applicants.

² For the purpose of this Call religious and ecclesiastical institutions are not considered NGOs and are **eligible** applicants as defined in Article 1.6 (n) of the Regulation on the implementation of the EEA Financial Mechanism 2014-2020.

³The conditions of debtlessness are deemed to be fulfilled if the taxpayer was allowed to delay the tax payment or pay the tax in instalments pursuant to Section 156 of Act No. 280/2009 Coll. Tax Code (as amended), or to pay the insurance and/or penalty in instalments pursuant to Section 20a of Act no. 589/1992 Coll. Social Security Insurance and State Employment Policy Contributions (as amended).

⁴ In exceptional and justified cases it is possible during the implementation of the project to request the Programme Operator about a change of the project termination date to 30 April 2024 at the latest.

4. Educating and enhancing the expertise and skills of health professionals providing care to children with mental disorders as well as non-medical professionals, informal carers and pedagogues;
5. Information and destigmatization activities raising awareness among professionals and the general public about mental health and mental disorders in children and adolescents.

A detailed description of individual areas is given in Annex 1 to this Call.

The term “children and adolescents” refers to the target group of children and adolescents aged 0-19 years. The abovementioned activities focused on children and adolescents therefore must target the age group 0-19 years.

In the grant application, the applicant shall state how the project outputs will be used after the completion of the project, i.e. how is the sustainability of the project ensured. The sustainability period of project including investments is set at 5 years. Projects without investments need to have sustainability period at least 2 years.

Project activities must take place in the Czech Republic. In case of involvement of partner from donor state, the relevant activities may also take place in the donor state.

VII. Programme objectives and relevance of the project

The general objective of the Health Programme in the Czech Republic is **to improve prevention and reduce inequalities in health**. Regarding this Call, mental health and prevention of the mental disorders of children and adolescents are the main focus.

To measure the influence and impact of the programme, concrete expected outcomes and outputs with specific indicators were defined. Projects that will receive a grant from this and following calls within the programme shall contribute to reaching the specified programme outcomes and outputs.

Based on the focus of the Call, applicants shall describe the relevance of the project towards the general objective of the programme and its impact towards:

- Programme outcome no. 1 (Support for children’s mental health and wellbeing enhanced)(mandatory outcome), and
- Programme output no. 1.1 (Parenting interventions/actions to improve mental health of children/youth provided) , and/or
- Programme output no. 1.2 (Mental health interventions for children/adolescents and their families carried out), and/or
- Programme output no. 1.3 (Mental health education/skills training provided) , and/or
- Programme output no. 1.4 (Awareness raising activities for mental health issues carried out)

The applicant will then select the outputs and indicators that are relevant for the project and set the planned target value that shall be reached by the implementation of the project. The applicant will select indicators from the list of relevant programme indicators in the table below.

Indicators

General objective of the programme	Improving prevention and reduced inequalities in health	
Outcome/output of the programme	Indicator	Indicator specification – link to the areas of support
Programme outcome 1 Support for children’s mental health and well – being enhanced (mandatory)	Number of beneficiaries of services provided or improved (disaggregated by gender, Roma) Share of trained professionals self-reporting on improved competence to treat mental health issues	Mandatory-elective indicator, monitoring indicator, the achieved value will be disaggregated by gender and ethnicity Mandatory-elective indicator, monitoring indicator, the achieved value will be disaggregated by gender
Programme output 1.1 Parenting interventions/ actions to improve mental health of children/youth provided	Number of evidence-based programs established	Area 1, mandatory indicator, binding target value

(mandatory-elective)

Programme output 1.2
Mental health interventions for children/adolescents and their families carried out
(mandatory-elective)

Number of new programs/actions piloted for children/youth suffering from a mental disorder

Area 2, mandatory-elective indicator, binding target value

Number of programs/actions piloted for children/youth at risk to prevent mental disorders

Area 2, mandatory-elective indicator, binding target value

Programme output 1.3
Mental health education/skills training provided
(mandatory-elective)

Number of children and adolescents who underwent educational programmes

Area 3, optional indicator, binding target value

Number of mental health learning/training courses designed for professionals including students

Area 3 and 4, mandatory-elective indicator, binding target value

Number of staff earning professional certification/designation in mental health

Area 4, mandatory-elective indicator, binding target value, the achieved value will be disaggregated by gender and ethnicity

Number of pilot schools with staff newly trained/educated in mental health issues

Area 4, mandatory-elective indicator, binding target value

Programme output 1.4

Awareness raising activities for mental health issues carried out
(mandatory-elective)

Number of awareness raising campaigns carried out

Area 5, mandatory indicator, binding target value

Note:

“Mandatory” means that respective outcome/output/outcome indicator/output indicator must always be selected.

“Mandatory-elective” means that at least one respective outcome indicator/output/output indicator must be selected in line with planned key activities listed in chapter VI.

“Optional” means that the respective output indicator can be chosen if it is relevant to the planned key activities listed in chapter VI.

Each applicant **realistically sets out the planned target values** of the selected indicators in the application. The fulfilment of the target values will be monitored during the project implementation by monitoring reports.

Programme outputs and related target values of programme output indicators are binding as they have a direct link to the project activities and its budget.

The implementation of the project contributes to the achievement of the programme outcome, however, the fulfilment of the programme outcome may depend on factors beyond the control of the beneficiary of the grant. **As the target value of the programme outcome indicator will be monitored**, therefore, in case the target value won't be reached this will have to be justified in the respective monitoring report.

Apart from the relevance of the project to the programme the applicant will also define the **purpose of the project** related to the Programme outcome no. 1 (Support for children's mental health and wellbeing enhanced) and outputs of particular activities including relevant indicators. **These outputs and target values of chosen indicators are binding** because they have direct link to project activities and budget of the project.

The applicants may, at their discretion, include other optional indicators in addition to the above-mentioned compulsory and compulsory-optional indicators. Detailed information related to the setting of outputs for activities/programme and programme outcome, relevance of indicators, setting of additional optional indicators, its description and definitions is in the Guideline for Applicants (Annex 2 to this Call).

VIII. Eligible expenditures

Detailed rules defining which categories and types of expenditures are eligible and can be claimed for reimbursement are laid down in the Chapter 8 of the Regulation on the implementation of the EEA Grants 2014-2021 and further described in the Guideline for Applicants and the Guideline of the National Focal Point for Eligible Expenditures under EEA/Norwegian Financial mechanisms 2014-2021.

The share of investment/infrastructure expenditures **cannot exceed 20 %** of total eligible project expenditures. For the purposes of this Call, investment expenditures mean the acquisition of tangible and intangible fixed assets and the acquisition of real estate and / or land as specified in Chapters 3.1.3 resp. 3.1.5 of the Guideline of the National Focal Point for Eligible Expenditures under the EEA/Norwegian Financial Mechanisms 2014-2021. The Program Operator has decided that within the EEA Grants 2014-2021 the cost of the goods approved in the grant application or modified grant application is fully eligible, since the approved purchase form an integral and necessary component for achieving the project outcomes. Depreciation of tangible and intangible assets is not considered eligible expenditure and the related costs cannot be claimed for reimbursement.

The proportion of costs falling under “construction” and “supplies” budget chapters (e.g. consumables, equipment supplies) **shall not exceed 40 % of the total eligible project expenditures**.

Expenditure on project management will be included in the chapter Management. For **projects with a duration above 24 months, the maximum allocation of the Management chapter is set at 15 % of the total eligible project expenditure**. Projects with a duration of less than and including 24 months can set the allocation of the Management chapter to a maximum of 10 % of the total eligible project expenditure.

IX. Grant amount – co-financing – advance payment – payment system

Minimum grant amount is 5,140,000 CZK (200 000 EUR), maximum grant amount is 14,906,000 CZK (580 000 EUR).

The exchange rate set by the Programme Operator for the Call is CZK 25.70/EUR.

The maximum share of grant support is indicated in the table below.

Type of applicant	Legal form	Note	Grant (EEA Grants 2014-2021 + state budget)	Co-financing by the beneficiary
Healthcare providers of primary, specialized and/or stationary outpatient care as well as follow-up and/or long-term inpatient care according to Act No. 372/2011 Coll. (as amended) operating in the field of child and adolescent mental health care and/or paediatric clinical psychology	Join-stock company	Local public authority, and/or the Czech Republic is the majority stakeholder.	100%	0%
		Local public authority, and/or the Czech Republic is not the majority stakeholder.	60%	40%
Healthcare providers of primary, specialized and/or stationary outpatient care as well as follow-up and/or long-term inpatient care according to Act No. 372/2011 Coll. (as amended) operating in the field of child and adolescent mental health care and/or paediatric clinical psychology	Limited liability company	Local public authority, and/or the Czech Republic is the majority shareholder.	100%	0%
		Local public authority, and/or the Czech Republic is not the majority shareholder.	60%	40%
Schools and school facilities (legal entities performing activities of schools or school facilities registered in the school register), school counselling facilities, facilities for institutional and	Limited liability company	Local public authority, and/or the Czech Republic is the majority shareholder.	100%	0%

protective education and preventive educational care, as well as universities established under Act No. 111/1998 Coll. (as amended); schools and school facilities established by churches and religious societies whose subject matter is the provision of education or school services pursuant to Act No. 561/2004 Coll. (as amended).	Local public authority, and/or the Czech Republic is not the majority shareholder.	60%	40%
Schools and school facilities (legal entities performing activities of schools or school facilities registered in the school register), school counselling facilities, facilities for institutional and protective education and preventive educational care, as well as universities established under Act No. 111/1998 Coll. (as amended); schools and school facilities established by churches and religious societies whose subject matter is the provision of education or school services pursuant to Act No. 561/2004 Coll. (as amended).	Unlimited partnership	60%	40%
All other eligible applicants		100%	0%

Note:

If the applicant is a state organizational unit (SOU) or a state contributory organization (SCO), only the EEA Grants part of the awarded grant (85 %) will be reimbursed by the programme operator. The remaining part of the grant, financed by the state budget (15% of the awarded grant), will not be reimbursed by the programme operator. The Grant part financed by State budget (15%) will be reimbursed in line with budgetary rules directly by the SOU / CSO. In the case of Directly Managed Organization of the Ministry of Health of the Czech Republic, 15% Grant part will be reimbursed by the Ministry of Health.

The list of relevant legal forms of eligible applicants is provided in Annex 3 to this call.

The final date of eligibility of expenditure is 31/12/2023⁵.

The applicant may apply for advance payment up to maximum of 60% of the awarded grant amount. The applicant shall justify the request for advance payment in the grant application. According to the act no. 218/2000 Sb., on budget rules (as amended) advance payment is not provided to Organizational Units of the State and State Contributory Organizations. In accordance to the Programme Agreement advance payment is not granted to private legal entities.

The expenditures will be paid to the beneficiary ex-post according to the actually incurred expenditures (the request for payment will be submitted together with the monitoring report; monitoring reports will be submitted every 4 months). The beneficiary will provide a statement of actual expenditures incurred, including the required annexes.

Each Request for payment (including advance payment) must differ investment and non-investment expenditures, with the share of non-investment expenditure in each request for payment being at least 15 % of the expenditures to be disbursed.

The applicant has no legal entitlement to the grant.

The Programme Operator reserves the right not to distribute all the funds available.

X. Processing and submission of grant applications

Grant applications can be only completed and submitted electronically via the IS CEDR information system by 31. 7. 2020 12:00.

⁵ In exceptional and justified cases it is possible during the implementation of the project to request the Programme Operator about a change of the expenditures eligibility termination date to 30 April 2024 at the latest.

Grant application and its annexes will be prepared in Czech language (only part of the Project summary and relevant parts in application form will be in English) and in standardized format (if it is specified for the respective annex – see Guideline for Applicants). Presumed expenditures of the project will be given in CZK.

The information needed to process and submit the application is contained in this Call, the Guideline for Applicants and the descriptions and help in IS CEDR.

- Guideline for Applicants is available at www.eeagrants.cz and www.mzcr.cz
- The application must be accompanied by all required annexes – see Guideline for Applicants. Standardized annexes are available for download at www.eeagrants.cz and www.mzcr.cz.
- During the evaluation of the grant application, the applicant may be asked to submit a paper form of some annexes (large-format attachments, drawings, etc.).
- In the grant application the applicant shall provide information on all consultants involved in the preparation of the grant application.

Technical requirements and recommendations

- Access to the IS CEDR system is possible via: www.eeagrants.cz; CEDR button.
- For communication with the Program Operator - the Ministry of Finance and the Program Partner – the Ministry of Health, the use of a data box is recommended. Communication via data box is obligatory for entities that have an obligation by law to have established data box.
- The application and annexes must be accompanied by a visible qualified electronic signature of the authorized representative, i.e. signature of the statutory representative or member of the statutory body or another authorized person.
- In case of technical difficulties with preparation and submission of the application it is possible to contact the person stated at the IS CEDR homepage; Contacts.
- Grant application and its annexes can be prepared gradually in IS CEDR, the system enables interim saving of already completed parts.
- The grant application process must be completed while knowing that the evaluation and selection process will be based solely on information contained in the grant application and its annexes. All parts of grant application and the annexes therefore need to be filled carefully and clearly.
- It is recommended to submit the application well in advance of the Call deadline. Postponing the submission to the last minute could cause difficulties due to possible system overload.

XI. Documents for the implementation of the EEA Grants 2014-2021

Documents (Regulations, guidelines and methodology) are available at following websites:

Financial Mechanisms Office

(especially Regulation on the implementation of EEA and Norway Grants 2014-2021 and Results Guidelines)

www.eeagrants.org

National Focal Point

(especially NFP Guideline for eligible expenditures)

www.mfcr.cz, www.eeagrants.cz

Programme Operator

www.eeagrants.cz/health

Programme Partner

www.mzcr.cz

XII. Evaluation and selection procedure of grant applications

Phases of the selection of projects that will be used for the evaluation of applications submitted under this Call include:

1) Assessment of administrative and eligibility criteria

The Programme Partner will assess first the administrative, and second the eligibility criteria according to the criteria set in points 1) and 2) of Part XIII of this Call.

If shortcomings (e.g. completeness and legibility) are found, the applicant will be informed and asked to make modifications of the annexes of the application via the IS CEDR in reasonable time period set by the Programme Partner. The applicant only makes such additions to the annexes that do not lead to the quality improvement of the application. The grant application itself can no longer be modified after its submission⁶.

Applications that do not meet the administrative and eligibility criteria will be excluded from further evaluation. The applicant will be notified via the IS CEDR of the rejection of application due to failure to comply with administrative and/or eligibility criteria. The applicant can appeal the rejection of the application through the IS CEDR within 15 days from the receipt of the rejection of the application due to failure to comply with administrative and eligibility criteria.

2) Evaluation of the quality of the application by external evaluators

Each application is evaluated by two external evaluators according to evaluation criteria indicated in point 3) of Part XIII of this Call. The final score of the grant application is calculated as arithmetic average of the scores awarded by the evaluators.

If the difference between the overall score of the two evaluators is higher than 30% of the higher score, the application will be evaluated by the third evaluator. The resulting score will be the average of the two scores that are closer to each other. If the score of the third evaluation is exactly between the score of the first and second evaluation, the resulting score is calculated from the higher two scores.

3) Assessment of applications by the Selection Committee

The Selection Committee is provided with a list of all projects that have been evaluated for quality and reached the minimum score of 60 points necessary to proceed to subsequent stage of selection. Another prerequisite for proceeding to the next stage of selection is to obtain at least 13 points in the evaluation criterion "Relevance and importance of the project". Projects are ranked on the list according to the score obtained by external evaluators (arithmetic mean of the scores). The Evaluation Committee shall discuss the submitted project applications and produce a list of recommended projects, including reserve projects, to the Programme Operator - Ministry of Finance for verification.

4) Verification by Programme Operator

The Programme Operator verifies the evaluation and selection procedure of grant applications, including the verification of individual recommended applications.

5) Grant approval / non-approval

Based on the outcome of the verification, the Programme Operator decides whether to award / reject the grant and informs the applicant about further procedure. Successful grant applicants receive a Grant Approval Letter followed by a legal act on the allocation of funds. Unsuccessful applicants are sent a legal act informing of rejection of the grant application.

Implementation of the approved projects is expected to start approx. 6 months after the end date of submission of applications via IS CEDR (i.e. in January/February 2021).

Information on the state aid conditions

It is not possible to finance projects, which constitute unlawful State aid under Article 107 (1) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU). For this reason, only those grants that either do not constitute State aid at all (i.e. the characteristics of state aid are not cumulatively fulfilled within the meaning of Article 107 (1) TFEU) or constitute State aid compatible with the EU internal market without the need for prior notification to the European Commission will be awarded. Further details are set out in the Guideline for Applicants.

XIII. Administrative, eligibility and quality criteria

1) Administrative criteria

- The application was submitted before the deadline set in the Call.
- The application is processed in the required language according to the Call.
- All mandatory information is filled in the application.
- The application is signed electronically by the applicant's statutory representative or authorized person.

⁶ In case of filling in of an incorrect requested grant amount by applicants with legal form joint-stock company or limited liability company with regard to the maximum grant rates (set out in the call differently for these legal forms), it will be possible to modify this fact in the application by the PO.

- All mandatory annexes are complete and are submitted in the required form in accordance with the Call and the Guideline for Applicants.
- The applicant submitted a maximum of two grant applications⁷.
- The applicant did not exceed the limit of the maximum grant rate according to the Call

2) Eligibility criteria

- The applicant is eligible.
- Partner (s) are eligible (if applicable).
- The project is in line with the focus of the Call (programme area, programme outcome, programme outputs).
- Activities are eligible.
- The project is focused on at least 2 areas according to Part VI of the Call.
- The place of the project implementation is in accordance with the terms of the Call.
- The end date of project implementation does not exceed the maximum completion date specified in the Call.
- The requested grant amount complies with the conditions set out in the Call.

Detailed information on individual administrative and eligibility criteria are provided in Annex 4 - Checklist.

3) Quality evaluation criteria

Detailed quality evaluation criteria

Evaluation criteria	Max. number of points of the given criterion (out of 100 possible) (y)
1 The applicant's ability and readiness to implement the project	14
1.1. Administrative capacity - The applicant (or partner (s)) has adequate administrative capacity for the implementation of the project.	5
1.2 The organizational structure of the management is clearly described, including the effective division of organizational, managing and executive tasks among the individual members of the project team on the side of applicant as well as external assistance supplier (if proposed by the applicant). The size and organizational structure of the project management corresponds to the size of the project. In case of partnership in the project, the roles of each partner in project implementation are described clearly and in detail.	5
1.3 The applicant has experience with successful implementation of at least one similarly focused project.	4
2 Relevance and importance of the project	21
2.1 The project contributes significantly to fulfilling the outcome and outputs of the Programme. (Project may contribute to several Programme outputs).	10

⁷ If the applicant submits more than 2 grant applications, only the first and the second submitted application will be assessed. Any other application will be automatically excluded.

	2.2 The project clearly contributes to fulfilling the objectives of the related conceptual and strategic documents (local / regional / sectoral), or it is linked to the outputs of the already realized project.	3
	2.3 The justification of the project is based on recent and respected scientific literature or other supporting documents (needs analysis, etc.). Outputs of the project activities are realistic and are in line with the indicated outputs of the programme.	3
	2.4 The purpose of the project is in line with the outcome of the programme in given programme area. The impact of the project corresponds to the needs of the main target group focused on in the project. The applicant cooperates with the target groups during the implementation of the project.	5
3	Project structure, risks, activities and outputs	38
	3.1 The structure of the project is clearly defined. Individual activities and their outputs are clearly described including their interconnection. The project activities are complementary to each other.	12
	3.2 The proposed project activities are necessary to fulfil the purpose of the project and they contribute to the programme outcome/output(s).	11
	3.3 The publicity of the project is clearly described, including the individual activities to ensure the overall publicity.	3
	3.4 The proposed timeline of the project is clear, realistic and corresponds to the needs for the implementation of activities in terms of their content and their interconnection.	4
	3.5 The results framework of the project provides clear and transparent information on the relevance of the project to the programme, including the indicators and sources for their verification (outputs, outcome). The baseline and final values of the indicators are realistic, the indicators are quantified and objectively measurable in both quantity and time. Sources of verification of indicators are listed and will be available and suitable for verifying both baseline and target values of indicators.	4
	3.6 Risks related to project implementation are clearly defined and relevant, including the design of measures to eliminate them to ensure the smooth implementation of the project.	4
4	Project economy and sustainability	15
	4.1 The items indicated in the budget are eligible and necessary for the implementation of particular activities. A clear quantification of the units of individual budget items is provided in measurable units. The proposal of individual budget items is in line with the project and its activities and their amount is reasonable and corresponds to the standard costs in place and time, or the costs of similar projects. Unit costs correspond to standard market prices.	12
	4.2 The sustainability of the project results is described, it covers the minimum period specified in the Call and the way it will be achieved is clearly described.	3
5	Specific program conditions and horizontal (cross-cutting) themes	12
	1. The project is aimed at addressing the problems of minority groups, especially the Roma (no - 0, it contributes to this area - 2, it significantly contributes to this area - 4)	4
	<i>Note: Only one option shall be selected for this criterion.</i>	

Total

100

The minimum average score needed to advance to the next stage of evaluation is 60 points.

The minimum average score for the evaluation criterion 2 (Relevance and importance of the project) to advance to the next stage of evaluation is 13 points.

Weighting - the external evaluator evaluates the fulfilment of each criterion by 0 - 5 points (with the exception of the criterion 5.1 where only one of the options is selected). The value obtained for each criterion is then converted into a weighted value based on the maximum score that can be earned for that criterion. For each criterion the evaluator shall justify the number of points awarded.

0 - The project does not meet the assessed criterion or it cannot be assessed due to missing or incomplete information.

1- Very bad. The criterion is met superficially and unsatisfactorily.

2 - Bad. There are serious and substantial shortcomings in relation to this criterion.

3 - Satisfactory. Although the project broadly addresses this criterion, there are shortcomings that would require correction.

4 - Good. The project fits well with the criterion, although some improvements are possible.

5 - Excellent. The proposal successfully addresses all aspects of the criterion.

For each criterion, the points given by the evaluator (x) are then recalculated by using the Weighting Coefficient (Max. number of points of the given criterion in the table above) (y) according to the formula $(x / 5 * y)$.

XIV. Information on how to provide consultations for a Call

Questions related to the Call (e.g. submitting of grant application, terms of the Call, evaluation procedure and the awarding of funds) may be made in writing addressed to the staff of the Program Partner.

— Petr Čermák, Head of Financial Mechanism Department (email: Petr.Cermak@mzcr.cz)

— Tomáš Hruza, Financial Mechanism Department (email: Tomas.Hruza@mzcr.cz)

Questions may be addressed no earlier than on the date the open Call is announced and no later than 5 working days before the deadline for submission of the grant applications. The reply will be sent to the applicant within 5 working days, at the latest on the day of termination of the Call. Only written answers are binding.

Frequently asked questions and answers will be available at the Questions and Answers section www.eeagrants.cz/health/FAQ

Information how to submit a complaint

Implementation of EEA Grants is based on the principles of transparency, openness and responsibility with zero tolerance towards corruption and misuse of funds. In line with these principles the Applicant is entitled to submit a complaint related to the suspicion of misuse or irregularity related to the EEA Grants. The complaint can be submitted by the following means:

— electronically to the e-mail: stiznosti-czp@mfcz.cz

— in writing – by regular mail to the address:

Ministry of Finance
Department No. 58 – International Relations
Unit No. 5804 – Centre for Foreign Assistance – Preparation and Coordination
Letenská 15
118 10 Prague 1

XV. List of attachments

1. Detailed description of supported areas – in Czech only
2. Guideline for Applicants
3. List of legal forms – in Czech only
4. Check-list: Open call - Mental health of children – in Czech only