1. **Question (Q):** I noticed on the application that on the first page, #4 Award Term there is only one box and it is labeled “5 Year”. Does this mean we are only allowed to submit a 5-year-long project? Or, are there missing boxes to indicate shorter e.g., “4 Year”, “3 Year” “2 Year” projects? Or is it expected that we write in the box the number of years the project will take?  
   **Answer (A):** Check box if “5 year” application, if not (less than 5 year) leave blank and include the number of grant years proposed in the narrative and associated budgets.

2. **Q:** I had a few questions about the grant and whether my project is appropriate for it. Would there be any way I could speak with someone about the project and its fit for the grant? I'd be very grateful.  
   **A:** Unfortunately, we are not able to discuss your application during the open period. Nonetheless, we encourage to apply and review the RFA and specifically the grant topics area.

3. **Q:** Is a 501(c)3 working in partnership with a Principal Investigator at UCSF an eligible applicant under either a Principal Investigator or Consortium application (if one which)-- or is the academic institution where the Principal Investigator holds such status the only eligible applicant?  
   **A:** The 501(c)3 can be a consortium partner but the Principal Investigator (PI) must be the individual that holds that status at an academic institution and applies with the backing of their academic institution.

4. **Q:** Can you explain how a consortium budget is included in the application?  
   **A:** The Principal Investigator (PI) should serve as the lead and create one combined budget for submittal with the application. You may attached additional pages if necessary. Please identify any additional grant sites in the budget using titles or numbers as you find appropriate.

5. **Q:** Is the total amount of $623,000 for the 5 years or per project year? Does the amount include direct and indirect cost?  
   **A:** Yes, up to $623,000 per fiscal year may be funded for a maximum of 5 years for individual investigator awards. (Please see Page 7 of the RFA). Yes, this maximum funding amount does include both direct and indirect costs.
6. **Q:** For the biosketch, does the appendix 1 on the RFA count as 1 page of the total 2 page limit for the biosketch?
   **A:** Yes, Appendix 1 counts as Page 1 of the 2 pages per bio for each individual.

7. **Q:** If applying for an individual award type – do we need Letters of Support from our key personnel?
   **A:** Yes, a Letter of Support(s) from key personnel in leadership or management of your organization is encouraged.

8. **Q:** Is an Organization Chart needed if applying as an individual award type? (The example organization chart on Appendix 4 is an example of a consortia chart.)
   **A:** No, an organization chart is not needed for individual awards.