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Updated COVID-19 Guidance for USAID Partners

Dear Partners,

USAID has updated its [COVID-19 frequently asked questions](#) for partners. In addition, minor updates have been made to the [Memorandum Authorizing COVID-19 Flexibilities per M-20-17](#). Updates to these documents have been highlighted in yellow.

Additionally, we would like to highlight several other updates to the COVID-19 webpage for your attention.

[Encouraging Flexibility in Acquisition Instruments:](#)

This week, the Management Bureau's Office of Acquisition and Assistance (M/OAA) issued a memo to all Contracting Officers (COs) [Encouraging Flexibility in Acquisition Instruments](#). This memo addresses common requests that COs may receive from contractors as a result of COVID-19 impacts and provides guidance for COs when responding to potential requests.

Launch of the Learning Lab:

Additionally, USAID also launched a COVID-19 page on USAID's [Learning Lab](#). This page provides USAID and its partners with a forum for sharing tools, approaches and lessons for Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning (MEL) during the global pandemic.

Regional Webinars:

This week the Agency held webinars with Washington DC headquarters, Latin America and the Caribbean, and Europe and Eurasia based partners. Next week, USAID will host additional regional webinars. Highlighted below are the registration links along with the dates and times of each of the remaining regional calls. Once you register for the webinar, you will receive a link for the event.

- [Middle East and OAPA, Monday, May 11, 7:30-8:30am EST](#)
- [Africa, Tuesday, May 12, 8:00 - 9:00am EST](#)
- [Asia, Tuesday, May 12, 9:00-10:00pm EST](#)

If you have any questions, please contact us at IndustryLiaison@usaid.gov or visit [USAID's COVID-19 partner webpage](#).

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