The HIV/AIDS Community Information Outreach Program (ACIOP) is a competitive awards program offered by the National Library of Medicine® (NLM) to community-based organizations and libraries to improve HIV/AIDS health information access. The program provides funding for organizations to design and conduct local projects that will:

- Improve HIV/AIDS health information access for patients, the affected community, caregivers, and the general public
- Provide access to HIV/AIDS health information in a way that is meaningful to the target population
- Increase the awareness and use of NLM online and mobile HIV/AIDS resources

The proposed projects must address two or more of the following four information access categories:

- **Category I: Information Retrieval**
  Implement access to state-of-the-art AIDS-related information tools via the Internet and/or mobile technologies as well as provide or improve access to NLM HIV/AIDS Information Resources and/or other AIDS-related information resources by the organization for their clients and/or an intended audience they serve.

- **Category II: Skills Development**
  Design and conduct training to develop skills in accessing or using HIV/AIDS-related information including the use of the NLM HIV/AIDS web and/or mobile resources as well as general AIDS information resources in order to improve services and benefit the community.

- **Category III: Resource Development and Dissemination**
  Develop, design and disseminate quality and accurate health educational or informational materials using the NLM HIV/AIDS information resources. Resources developed may include but are not limited to: bibliographies, culturally and/or language specific fact sheets, guides or other products tailored to intended audiences to meet the needs of an organization's clients or communities.

- **Category IV: Equipment Acquisition**
  Purchase hardware (computer equipment), software, or contractual relationships necessary to obtain a connection to the Internet for the purpose of accessing AIDS-related information or sharing AIDS-related information in an effort to improve access to electronic AIDS and other health-related information resources.

Eligible organizations include, but are not limited to:

- Community-based Organizations
- Faith-based Organizations
- Local and State Public Health Departments
- Patient Advocacy Groups
- Partnerships and Consortia
- Public Libraries

**Awards are offered for up to $50,000.**
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