

Request for Proposal (RFP20240920): Health Economist Consultancy

If you are interested in providing the below services, and would like a copy of the complete RFP, please email Sharon Lee Cannon sleecannon@hif.org and Jason Smith jsmith@hif.org

HJF is seeking a Health Economist to advise and work with Creative Forces Clinical Leadership to develop and execute an action plan that fosters the necessary conditions for the Creative Forces team to commission a comprehensive health economics study that will evaluate the cost-effectiveness, economic benefits, and financial sustainability of Creative Arts Therapies in the Department of Defense (DoD) component of the Creative Forces Network. The program places creative arts therapies at the core of patient-centered care at clinical sites throughout the country. Creative Forces is managed in partnership with the Henry M. Jackson Foundation for the Advancement of Military Medicine, Inc., Mid-America Arts Alliance and Civic Arts.

The aim is to develop a plan to execute a comprehensive study. The ultimate goal is to inform development of an actionable study that will provide evidence-informed recommendations for interest-holders, including policymakers, healthcare providers, and funding agencies. The health economist consultant will play a crucial role in identification of conditions that need to be addressed prior to the Creative Forces team commissioning such a study for implementation. The contractor shall perform the following duties along with other general duties detailed in the contract:

- 1. **Knowledge Gathering** Meet with key interest holders to understand unique challenges, conduct a review of relevant cost-effectiveness studies, inventory, and identify and recommend changes.
- 2. Action Plan Development Develop a plan to specifically address:
 - a) Key economic questions and hypotheses to be tested.
 - b) Data Collection and Management
 - c) Advise on conditions to be addressed to facilitate a comprehensive data collection strategy.
- 3. **Reporting and Dissemination** Prepare comprehensive reports and develop presentations.

The work to be completed under this request for proposal will be issued through the Creative Forces®: NEA Military Healing Arts Network (the Network, or "Creative Forces") initiative.

Schedule:

Proposal Due Date and Time:	November 15, 2024 EOD
Questions Due	October 28, 2024
Questions Answered	November 1, 2024
Anticipated Award Date:	December 6, 2024