For Contract Deliverables no. 4, Recommendations for Action, I would assume that these should be based on best evidence globally and in the US, in addition to EGPAF experiences. Please confirm.

Yes, these recommendations would be based on global evidence-based best practices, as well as EGPAF experiences.

2) You state: "Preference for Contractor/Consultant that can conduct occasional face to face meetings in the WDC area with relative ease." While I live in the DC area and normally would welcome conducting face to face, I assume that we will follow guidance from Dr. Fauci, NIAID, and WHO on social distancing. Please confirm.

Yes, all meetings can be conducted virtually to adhere to social distancing guidelines.

3) Is your agency firm on preference for Contractor/Consultant that can conduct occasional faceto-face meetings in the Washington DC area? We are a company located in Los Angeles.

No, this is not a firm preference.

4) Are you expecting to contract with an organisation or an individual?

We are open to contracting with either an organization or individual.

5) Should IAC 2020 be canceled due to COVID 19, will this report be issued in any case? / If, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, AIDS 2020 is cancelled or help virtually, do you anticipate that impacting the deadline for this project?

This report will be issued even if changes are made to AIDS2020, due to COVID-19. We do not expect that any potential changes will impact the deadline and schedule for this project.

6) Is there an allocated budget for this project and what is the amount? / Do you have a sense of overall budget within which you would like to keep this project? It would be helpful to understand those parameters are we complete our submission

The budget for this project is approximately \$18,000, with potential for small increase should the scope expand or change during the project.

7) In light of the current challenges brought about by Coronavirus, would you be able to extend the deadline for proposals?

No, we will not be extending the deadline for proposals.