1. **Does a Pharmacy have to apply with a clinic partner?**
   Yes. A complete application for funding includes one joint application cover sheet (attachment A), one joint application with a narrative (attachment B), and one joint scope of work (attachment C). Each organization must submit their own budget (attachment D). Insurance requirements will be requested once we make a funding determination.

2. **Does a Clinic have to apply with a Pharmacy partner?**
   Yes, a complete application for funding includes one joint application cover sheet (attachment A), one joint application with a narrative (attachment B), and one joint scope of work (attachment C). Each organization must submit their own budget (attachment D). Insurance requirements will be requested once we make a funding determination.

3. **Can the provider be a private doctor?** Yes

4. **Is this only for Medi-Care patients?**
   No. Patients that are referred to the pilot project can be a Medicare, Medi-Cal or private paying patient, as long as they meet the criteria for the MTM program. Please see below:

   - # of adults 18 years to 85 (who were seen at the participating clinic in the past year) with BP > 140/90 mmHg (most recent measure) who use the pharmacy that is part of the project. The clinic would need to compare this list with the pharmacy list to enroll their participants.
   - # of adults 18 years to 85 (who were seen at the participating clinic in the past year) with uncontrolled cholesterol (most recent measure) who use the pharmacy that is part of the project. The clinic would need to compare this list with the pharmacy list to enroll their participants.

5. **Would we have to submit separate application for each of our clinics and/or pharmacies or is it one application per organization?**
   One joint application must be submitted by the clinic and pharmacy. For organizations that have both a clinic and a pharmacy, it will still be one joint application for the organization.

6. **Can you provide additional guidance on eligibility requirement for applying under the “healthcare clinic” or under the “pharmacies.”**
   A healthcare clinic may include, any hospital, clinic site, or provider that can screen and refer patients to the partnering pharmacy.
   A pharmacy may include, any community, retail or private pharmacy that has the ability to provide MTM to patients that are referred from the partnering clinic.

7. **What is the anticipated project period?** The project is anticipated to begin April 2020 and end on September 30, 2020.
8. Can more than one clinic site apply from each organization? Yes, that is allowable. The application must describe which clinic site and which pharmacy will work together on the project.

9. Can a clinic site and a pharmacy from the same organization submit a joint application? Yes, that is allowable.

10. What is the threshold for the number of referrals from the health clinic/provider? There is no minimum for referrals. The clinic must refer enough patients for the pharmacist to provide at least two sessions of MTM for 30 patients. More than 30 patients should be referred to the pharmacy based on the knowledge that not all patients who are referred to classes follow-through with completion.

11. Since this is a 6-month project, how will funding be disbursed? Distribution of funds will most likely happen through monthly invoicing with the possibility of distributing funds up-front to help with start-up costs. This can be negotiated with selected funding recipients.

12. I read on the application that those with CPAs are given priority and we want to create an agreement with you or a clinic to get priority for this application.

   The word “priority” in this context is a mistake. A better way to explain is that a CPA is preferred, but not required to submit a joint application. If a CPA is not in place, applications will still be accepted, and Collaborating for Wellness staff will provide technical assistance for drafting a CPA if needed.

13. Another question I have is to the number of patients must be seen in this program. In attachment C (Scope of Work-Joint), it states that only 30 patients with 2 MTM sessions are required by September 29, 2020. However, in the attachment it talked about patients that fit the eligibility that are non-adherent to their hypertension or cholesterol medication. A clarification would be appreciated!

   Yes, the goal of the project is for 30 patients with 2 sessions of MTM to complete the program. The Clinic/Provider must refer enough patients to the Pharmacy to reach this goal. The eligibility for patients must fit the criteria below:

   - adults 18 years to 85 (who were seen at the participating clinic in the past year) with BP>140/90 mmHg (most recent measure) who use the pharmacy that is part of the project. The clinic would need to compare this list with the pharmacy list to enroll their participants.
   - # of adults 18 years to 85 (who were seen at the participating clinic in the past year) with uncontrolled cholesterol (most recent measure) who use the pharmacy that is part of the project. The clinic would need to compare this list with the pharmacy list to enroll their participants.
Pharmacies are asked to determine medication adherence for patients that go through the program using “Proportion of Days Covered ≥ 80%.” The PDC is the proportion of days in the eligibility period “covered” by prescription claims for the same medication or another in its therapeutic category.