

# **HRSA Scoring Rubric**

The following scale may be used by reviewers as a guideline when assigning scores to each criterion. For these purposes, an element is an item pertinent to a review criterion as defined in the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO).

Suggested Scoring Guidelines <sup>1</sup>					
Total Point Value for a Review Criterion	Outstanding	Very Good	Good	Satisfactory	Poor
5	5	5	4	3*	2-0
10	10	9	8	7	6-0
15	15	14	13-12	11	10-0
20	20	19-18	17- 16	15-14	13-0
25	25-24	23	22 -20	19-18	170
30	30-29	28-27	26-24	23-21	200
35	35-34	33-32	31-28	27-25	24-0
40	40-39	38-36	35- 32	31-28	270
45	45-43	42-41	40-36	35-32	31-0
Approx.% (Overall)	100-96%	95-90%	89-80%	79-70%	69-0%

<sup>\*</sup>Based on scale not on percentage

### **Outstanding**

All elements of the criterion are clearly addressed, well-conceived, thoroughly developed, and well supported. Documentation and required information are specific and comprehensive. The criterion has no deficiencies or weaknesses. All strengths identified should clearly be above and beyond the baseline requirements. No restatements of the application or the NOFO requirements.

## **Very Good**

Elements are clearly addressed with necessary detail and the evidence is thoroughly supported. Documentation and required information are specific and comprehensive. Any weaknesses identified will likely have minor impact on the successful implementation and execution of the proposed project.

#### Good

Elements are addressed, although some do not contain necessary detail and/or support. Most documentation and required information are present and sufficient. Application has some strengths but with at least one weakness identified that will likely have moderate impact on the successful implementation and execution of the proposed project.

#### Satisfactory

Most elements are addressed, although when addressed, do not contain all the necessary detail and/or support. Documentation and required information are deficient. Application has few strengths and some weaknesses and of the weaknesses identified, only one major weakness.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This scale is used unless otherwise indicated in the NOFO.

The one major weakness could potentially impact the successful implementation and execution of the proposed project.

Poor

Few, if any, elements are addressed. Documentation and required information are deficient or omitted. Application has very few strengths and numerous major weaknesses. Weaknesses identified will have substantial impact and prevent the successful implementation and execution of the proposed project.

## OR

The applicant responses do not meet the programmatic intent of the NOFO.