

will be asked to leave your name, address, and telephone number and will need to refer to Announcement 628. You will receive a complete program description, information on application procedures and application forms. If you have questions after reviewing the contents of all the documents, business management technical assistance may be obtained from Adrienne Brown, Grants Management Specialist, Grants Management Branch, Procurement and Grants Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), 255 East Paces Ferry Road, NE., Room 300, Mailstop E-15, Atlanta, GA 30305, telephone (404) 842-6634, email: <asm1@opspgo1.em.cdc.gov>. Programmatic technical assistance be obtained from Deborah L. Rugg, Ph.D., Program Evaluation Branch, Division of HIV/AIDS Prevention, National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road, NE., Mailstop E-59, Atlanta, GA 30333, telephone (404) 639-0952, FAX (404) 639-0923, e-mail: <dlr1@oddhiv1.em.cdc.gov>.

Please refer to Announcement 628 when requesting information and submitting an application.

Potential applicants may obtain a copy of "Healthy People 2000," (Full Report, Stock No. 017-001-00474-0) or "Healthy People 2000," (Summary Report, Stock No. 017-001-00473-1) referenced in the "Introduction," through the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402-9325, telephone (202) 512-1800.

Internet Home Page

The announcement will be available on one of two Internet sites on the publication date: CDC's home page at <<http://www.cdc.gov>>, or at the Government Printing Office home page (including free access to the Federal Register) at <<http://www.access.gpo.gov>>.

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Resident Postdoctoral Research Associates Program in Microbiology

Introduction

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the availability of fiscal year (FY) 1996 funds to provide assistance for developing and conducting a Resident Postdoctoral Research Associates Program in Microbiology.

CDC is committed to achieving the health promotion and disease prevention objectives of Healthy People 2000, a national activity to reduce morbidity and mortality and improve the quality of life. This announcement is related to the priority area of Immunization and Infectious Diseases. (For ordering a copy of Healthy People 2000, see the section Where To Obtain Additional Information.)

Authority

This program is authorized under sections 301 [42 U.S.C. 241] and 317(k) [42 U.S.C. 247b(k)] of the Public Health Service Act, as amended.

Smoke-Free Workplace

CDC encourages all grant recipients to provide a smoke-free workplace and to promote the non-use of all tobacco products. Public Law 103-227, the Pro-Children Act of 1994, prohibits smoking in certain facilities that receive Federal funds in which education, library, day care, health care, and early childhood development services are provided to children.

Eligible Applicants

Assistance will be provided only to public or nonprofit, private scientific organizations. Eligible applicants must be national in scope, devoted to scientific pursuits in all areas of microbiology that relate to infectious diseases, including general, clinical, medical, environmental, animal virology, molecular microbiology, immunology and medical technology, and have experience in administering postdoctoral training programs in medical microbiology and public health microbiology which are designed to assist associates conducting microbiologic research to solve medical and public health problems.

Availability of Funds

Approximately \$800,000 is available in FY1996 to fund one award. It is expected that the award will begin on or about September 30, 1996, and is made for a 12-month budget period within a project period of up to 5 years. Funding

estimates may vary and are subject to change. Continuation awards within an approved project period will be made on the basis of satisfactory progress and availability of funds.

Purpose

The purpose of this cooperative agreement is to assist the recipient in developing and conducting a Resident Postdoctoral Research Associates Program in Microbiology. The program emphasizes microbiology related to infectious disease prevention and control. Particular emphasis is given to studies at the molecular level. Areas of investigation may include: viral and rickettsial infections, nosocomial infections, acquired immunodeficiency syndrome, vector-borne infectious diseases, respiratory and food-borne bacterial diseases, sexually transmitted diseases, parasitic diseases, and other diseases or conditions relevant to the disciplines of bacteriology, virology, parasitology, medical entomology, mycology, immunology, and pathology. The recipient must be able to provide support for postdoctoral scientists of unusual ability and promise or proven achievement by giving them an opportunity to conduct applied and operational research on significant public health problems identified with these research interests. Associateships should be for a two year period.

Program Requirements

In conducting activities to achieve the purpose of this program, the recipient shall be responsible for the activities under A., below, and CDC shall be responsible for conducting activities under B., below:

A. Recipient Activities

1. Develop and conduct a Resident Postdoctoral Research Associates Program in Microbiology to support development of new approaches, methodologies, and knowledge in infectious disease prevention and control.
2. Identify specific research opportunities from descriptions provided by CDC.
3. Establish program policies/procedures for application and selection (e.g., establish applicant eligibility criteria).
4. Develop announcements/advertisements and an application package describing the program, listing research opportunities, and providing application instructions. Widely distribute the announcements and application package with the objective of soliciting applications from qualified individuals throughout the United

States. Contribute to the racial and gender diversity of the program by assuring a wide distribution of the materials among eligible women and minority microbiologists.

5. Develop a competitive associate application review and approval process. Based on the review process, select applicants to be awarded two year associateships.

6. Provide administrative support to associates during their tenure, including the payment of a stipend (consistent with PHS levels identified in the application kit), enrollment in a health insurance plan, and reimbursement of expenses for professional travel. Administer the program such that associates will not be employees of either recipient organization or CDC.

7. Establish associate publication/presentation policies which encourage the dissemination of associate research results.

8. Develop a plan for monitoring and evaluating the progress of associates and progress toward achieving goals of the program.

B. CDC Activities

1. Provide assistance in developing and conducting the Resident Postdoctoral Research Associates Program in Microbiology.

2. Provide descriptions of microbiological research and areas of investigation that are appropriate for potential associates.

3. Provide a list of potential scientific advisers for associates.

4. Assist in review of potential research proposals and provide comments and/or suggested changes in the scope or method of the research.

5. Review publications and presentations resulting from research investigations conducted under the program.

6. Assist in the development of a plan for monitoring progress of the program and achieving program goals.

Evaluation Criteria

The applications will be reviewed and evaluated based on the following weighted criteria:

1. Background (10 Points)

The extent to which applicant demonstrates a clear understanding of the background and objectives of this cooperative agreement program.

2. Capacity (55 Points Total)

a. The extent to which the applicant demonstrates that the organization has a significant history of promoting the science of microbiology as it relates to infectious diseases. The extent to which

the applicant demonstrates it has promoted the science of microbiology by conducting regular national meetings and workshops devoted to current topics. (10 points)

b. The extent to which the applicant demonstrates experience in microbiology education and training. The extent to which the applicant demonstrates experience in conducting postdoctoral programs similar to that proposed in this cooperative agreement announcement. (30 points)

c. The extent to which the applicant demonstrates it has adequate resources and facilities (e.g., administrative and financial management operations, office functions, etc.) to conduct the proposed program. (5 points)

d. The extent to which applicant documents (e.g., by curriculum vitae) that all key personnel have adequate relevant experience to successfully develop and conduct the proposed program. (10 points)

3. Operational Plan (35 Points Total)

a. Extent to which applicant presents a detailed and time-phased operational plan for developing and conducting the program. The extent to which the plan clearly and appropriately addresses all Recipient Activities. Extent to which applicant clearly identifies specific assigned responsibilities of all key professional personnel. The extent to which applicant's plan appears feasible and likely to achieve program objectives. (15 points)

b. The extent to which applicant clearly describes collaboration with CDC that utilizes CDC's unique expertise in public health infectious disease microbiology. (15 points)

c. The extent to which applicant describes in detail a plan for evaluating progress of individual associates and for evaluating progress toward achieving overall program objectives. (5 points)

4. Budget

The extent to which the proposed budget is reasonable, clearly justifiable, and consistent with the intended use of cooperative agreement funds. (not scored)

5. Human Subject

Whether or not exempt from the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) regulations, are procedures adequate for the protection of human subjects? Recommendations on the adequacy of protections include: (1) Protections appear adequate and there are no comments to make or concerns to raise, or (2) protections appear adequate, but there are comments regarding the protocol, or (3)

protections appear inadequate and the Objective Review Group (ORG) has concerns related to human subjects; (4) disapproval of the application is recommended because the research risks are sufficiently serious and protection against the risks are inadequate as to make the entire application unacceptable. (not scored)

Executive Order 12372 Review

Applications are not subject to review as governed by Executive Order 12372, "Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs."

Public Health System Reporting Requirements

This program is not subject to the Public Health System Reporting Requirements.

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number is 93.283.

Application Submission and Deadline

The original and two copies of the application PHS Form 5161-1 (OMB Number 0937-0189) must be submitted to Sharron Orum, Grants Management Officer, Grants Management Branch, Procurement and Grants Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), 255 East Paces Ferry Road, NE., Room 300, Mailstop E-09, Atlanta, Georgia 30305, on or before August 5, 1996.

1. Deadline: Applications shall be considered as meeting the deadline if they are either:

(a) Received on or before the deadline date; or

(b) Sent on or before the deadline date and received in time for submission to the objective review group. (Applicants must request a legibly dated U.S. Postal Service postmark or obtain a legibly dated receipt from a commercial carrier or U.S. Postal Service. Private metered postmarks shall not be acceptable as proof of timely mailing.)

2. Late Applications: Applications which do not meet the criteria in 1.(a.) or 1.(b.) above are considered late applications. Late applications will not be considered in the current competition and will be returned to the applicant.

Where To Obtain Additional Information

A complete program description, information on application procedures, an application package business management technical assistance may be obtained from Nealean K. Austin, Grants Management Specialist, Grants

Management Branch, Procurement and Grants Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), 255 East Paces Ferry Road, NE., Room 300, Mailstop E-09, Atlanta, Georgia 30305; by telephone on (404) 842-6512; by fax on (404) 842-6513; or by Internet or CDC WONDER electronic mail at <nea1@opspgo1.em.cdc.gov>.

Programmatic technical assistance may be obtained from Joseph E. McDade, Ph.D., Associate Director for Laboratory Science, National Center for Infectious Diseases, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Atlanta, Georgia 30333; by telephone on (404) 639-3967; by fax (404) 639-3039; by Internet or CDC WONDER electronic mail at <jem3@cidod1.em.cdc.gov>.

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Violence Prevention Programs; Notice of Availability of Funds for Fiscal Year 1996

Introduction

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), announces the availability of fiscal year (FY) 1996 funds for cooperative agreements for Violence Prevention Programs. These projects will develop, implement, and evaluate multifaceted violence prevention programs to reduce the incidence of injuries, disabilities, and deaths due to interpersonal violence among youth. The cooperative agreements which supported the

development of scientific understanding of interventions and programs that are effective in preventing violence-related injuries, disabilities, and deaths among adolescents and young adults will extend and build upon the work begun in the group of cooperative agreements funded under CDC's Program Announcement No. 329, which began in FY 1993.

CDC is committed to achieving the health promotion and disease prevention objectives described in "Healthy People 2000," a national activity to reduce morbidity and mortality and improve the quality of life. This announcement is related to the priority area of Violent and Abusive Behavior—(For ordering a copy of "Healthy People 2000," see the Section "Where to Obtain Additional Information").

Authority

This program announcement is authorized under Sections 301, 317, and 391-394 (42 U.S.C. 241, 247b, and 280b-280b-3) of the Public Health Service Act as amended.

Smoke-Free Workplace

CDC strongly encourages all grant recipients to provide a smoke-free workplace and promote the non-use of all tobacco products, and Public Law 103-227, the Pro-Children Act of 1994, prohibits smoking in certain facilities that receive Federal funds in which education, library, day care, health care, and early childhood development services are provided to children.

Eligible Applicants

Applications will be accepted from public and private, non-profit and for-profit organizations and governments and their agencies. Thus, community-based organizations, other public and private organizations, State, territorial, and local governments or their bona fide agents, federally recognized Indian tribal governments, Indian tribes, or Indian tribal organizations, hospitals, churches, and small, minority- and/or women-owned businesses, universities, colleges, and other research institutions, are eligible to apply.

Availability of Funds

Approximately \$1,600,000 is available in FY 1996 to fund up to four projects to develop, implement, and evaluate intervention programs designed to prevent violent injury in one, or some combination, of the two priority areas, Creating Pro-social Environments for Child Development and Creating Opportunity for Youth-at-risk. Awards are expected to range from \$350,000 to

\$420,000 with an average award of \$400,000 for each 12-month budget period.

It is expected that the new awards will begin on or about September 30, 1996. Awards will be made for a 12-month budget period within a 3-year project period. Funding estimates may vary and are subject to change.

Continuation awards within the project periods will be made on the basis of satisfactory progress as evidenced by required reports and the availability of funds. At the request of the applicant, Federal personnel may be assigned to a project area in lieu of a portion of the financial assistance.

Purpose

The purpose of this cooperative agreement program is to support the implementation and evaluation of multifaceted interventions which are designed to prevent violence-related injuries and demonstrate strong potential for broad-scale implementation in the Nation's communities. Applicants may propose to develop, implement, and evaluate interventions to prevent injuries due to interpersonal youth violence in one, of two main areas:

A. Creating Pro-Social Environments for Child Development—refers to efforts to encourage development of pro-social behavior and attitudes among children between 3 and 10 years of age by modifying institutional environments in communities exhibiting high rates of violent behavior (e.g., homicide rates). Numerous interventions have already been evaluated in schools, and, while school settings are appropriate, we strongly encourage applications whose proposed interventions occur in other settings, such as; homes, churches, daycare, after school programs, and other community settings, or in some combination of school and other settings.

Interventions proposed in this priority area must include significant components in non-school settings, and must be directed toward strengthening parent-child relationships and pro-social family environments. Efforts to strengthen parent-child relationships are one of the most challenging, and one of the most promising areas for preventing the development of violent behavior among youth. In particular, strategies that attempt to improve training in parenting skills and provide support services to empower parents to monitor and supervise their children more effectively are of interest.

B. Creating Opportunity for Youth-at-Risk—refers to efforts to create economic opportunities for youth.