

inclusion is inappropriate or not feasible, this situation must be explained as part of the application. This policy does not apply to research studies when the investigator cannot control the race, ethnicity and/or sex of subjects. Further guidance to this policy is contained in the Federal Register, Vol. 60, No. 179, pages 47947-47951, dated Friday, September 15, 1995.

HIV/AIDS Requirements

Recipients must comply with the document entitled Content of AIDS-Related Written Materials, Pictorials, Audiovisuals, Questionnaires, Survey Instruments, and Educational Sessions (June 1992) (a copy is in the application kit). To meet the requirements for a program review panel, recipients are encouraged to use an existing program review panel, such as the one created by the State health department's HIV/AIDS prevention program. If the recipient forms its own program review panel, at least one member must be an employee (or designated representative) of a State or local health department. The names of the review panel members must be listed on the Assurance of Compliance for CDC 0.1113, which is also included in the application kit. The recipient must submit the program review panel's report that indicates all materials have been reviewed and approved.

Application Submission and Deadlines

1. Preapplication Letter of Intent

A non-binding letter of intent-to-apply is required from potential applicants. An original and two copies of the letter should be submitted to the Grants Management Branch, CDC (see "Applications" for the address). It should be postmarked no later than July 19, 1996. The letter should identify the announcement number, name of principal investigator, and specify the activity(ies) to be addressed by the proposed project. The letter of intent does not influence review or funding decisions, but it will enable CDC to plan the review more efficiently, and will ensure that each applicant receives timely and relevant information prior to application submission.

2. Applications

An original and two copies of the application PHS Form 5161-1 (OMB Number 0937-0189) must be submitted to Van Malone, 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-15, Atlanta, GA 30305, on or before August 21, 1996.

3. Deadlines

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

1. Received on or before the deadline date; or

2. 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 the U.S. Postal Service. Private metered postmarks shall not be acceptable as proof of timely mailing.)

B. Applications that do not meet the criteria in 3.A.1. or 3.A.2. 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

To receive additional written information call (404) 332-4561. You will be asked to leave your name, address, and telephone number and will need to refer to Announcement 601. 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 may be obtained from Robert Kohmescher, Division of HIV/AIDS Prevention, National Center for HIV/STD/TB Prevention, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), 1600 Clifton Road, NE., Mailstop E-44, Atlanta, GA 30333, telephone (404) 639-8302, email: <rnk1@cidhiv2.em.cdc.gov>.

Please refer to Announcement 601 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>>.

There may be delays in mail delivery and difficulty in reaching the CDC Atlanta offices during the 1996 Summer Olympics. Therefore, CDC suggests using Internet, following all instructions in this announcement and leaving messages on the contact person's voice mail for more timely responses to any questions.

Dated: June 13, 1996.

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Acting Associate Director for Management and Operations, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

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Health Resources and Services Administration

Maternal and Child Health Services; Federal Set-Aside Program; Continuing Education and Development Cooperative Agreements

AGENCY: Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) DHHS.

ACTION: Pre-application technical assistance telephone conference.

SUMMARY: The HRSA is conducting a pre-application technical assistance telephone conference concerning the fiscal year 1996 funding available under Public Law 104-134 for Maternal and Child Health (MCH) Special Projects of Regional and National Significance (SPRANS) Continuing Education and Development (CED) cooperative agreements. An Availability of Funds notice for these CED cooperative agreements was published in the Federal Register on April 26, 1996 at 61 FR 18613. These CED cooperative agreements are intended to support national education, information, and public policy projects in maternal and child health. Two categories of CED cooperative agreements will be awarded this year: 1 concerned with resource, educational and analytic activities; and the other concerned with population-focused analytic and related activities.

PURPOSE: To encourage and stimulate development of high quality applications. The telephone conference will offer programmatic and technical assistance and an overview of the requirements for funding projects in both categories. Further, it will provide an opportunity for prospective

applicants to ask questions of program officials.

CONTACT: Anyone interested in participating in this telephone conference should contact Mr. Pete Conway, Division of Maternal, Infant, Child and Adolescent Health, Room 18-A-39, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, Maryland 20857, telephone: (301) 443-2250, fax: (301) 443-1296, e-mail: pconway@hrsa.ssw.dhhs.gov, by COB, June 21. Prospective participants must identify a telephone number where they can be reached by an operator for purposes of connecting to the telephone conference. They are also encouraged to submit questions in advance via fax or e-mail.

A copy of this announcement is available on the World Wide Web via the Internet at address: <http://www.os.dhhs.gov/hrsa/mchb>.

DATES AND TIMES: June 24, 1996, 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Dated: June 13, 1996.

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Administrator.

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Special Project Grants; Maternal and Child Health (MCH) Services; Community Integrated Service Systems (CISS) Set-Aside Program

AGENCY: Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), HHS.

ACTION: Notice of availability of funds.

SUMMARY: The HRSA announces that applications will be accepted for fiscal year (FY) 1996 funds for Maternal and Child Health (MCH) Community Integrated Service Systems grants to support strategies for reducing infant mortality and improving the health of mothers and children through development and expansion of successful community integrated service systems. These systems are public-private partnerships of community health and other related organizations and individuals working collaboratively to use community resources to address community-identified health problems. Awards are made under the program authority of section 502(b)(1)(A) of the Social Security Act, the CISS Federal Set-Aside Program. Within the HRSA, CISS projects are administered by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau (MCHB).

Of the approximately \$9.5 million available for CISS activities in FY 1996, about \$7.0 million will be available to support approximately 132 new and competing renewal projects at an

average of about \$53,000 per award for a one-year period under the MCH CISS Federal Set-Aside Program. The remaining funds will be used to continue existing CISS projects and for other activities in support of overall CISS program goals. The actual amounts available for awards and their allocation may vary, depending on unanticipated program requirements and the volume and quality of applications. Awards are made for grant periods which generally run from 1 up to 4 years in duration. Funds for CISS awards are appropriated by Public Law 104-134.

The Public Health Service (PHS) is committed to achieving the health promotion and disease prevention objectives of Healthy People 2000, a PHS-led national activity for setting priority areas. The MCH Block Grant Federal Set-Aside Program addresses issues related to the Healthy People 2000 objectives of improving maternal, infant, child and adolescent health and developing service systems for children with special health care needs. 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) through the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office Washington, DC 20402-9325 (telephone: 202 783-3238).

The PHS strongly encourages all grant recipients to provide a smoke-free workplace and promote the non-use of all tobacco products. In addition, Public Law 103-227, the Pro-Children Act of 1994, prohibits smoking in certain facilities (or in some cases, any portion of a facility) in which regular or routine education, library, day care, health care or early childhood development services are provided to children.

ADDRESSES: Grant application materials for CISS awards must be obtained from and submitted to: Chief, Grants Management Branch, Office of Operations and Management, Maternal and Child Health Bureau, Health Resources and Services Administration, Room 18-12, Parklawn Building, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, Maryland 20857, Attn: CISS, (301) 443-1440. Applicants will use Form PHS 5161-1, approved by OMB under control number 0937-0189. You must obtain application materials by mail.

Federal Register notices and application guidance for MCHB programs are available on the World Wide Web via the Internet at address: <http://www.os.dhhs.gov/hrsa/mchb>. Click on the file name you want to download to your computer. It will be

saved as a self-extracting (Macintosh or Wordperfect 5.1 file. To decompress the file once it is downloaded, type in the file name followed by a <return>. The file will expand to a Wordperfect 5.1 file. If you have difficulty accessing the MCHB Home Page via the Internet and need technical assistance, please contact Linda L. Schneider at 301-443-0767 or "lschneider@hrsa.ssw.dhhs.gov".

DATES: The deadline for receipt of applications for Health Systems Development Grants for Child Care is August 1; the deadline for all other CISS grants covered by this announcement is July 22, 1996. Applications will be considered to have met the deadline if they are either: (1) Received on or before the deadline date, or (2) postmarked on or before the deadline date and received in time for orderly processing. Applicants should request a legibly dated receipt from a commercial carrier or the U.S. Postal Service, or obtain a legibly dated U.S. Postal Service postmark. Private metered postmarks will not be accepted as proof of timely mailing. Late applications or those sent to an address other than specified in the **ADDRESSES** section will be returned to the applicant.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for technical or programmatic information from MCHB should be directed to Joe Zogby, Division of Maternal, Infant, Child and Adolescent Health, Maternal and Child Health Bureau, Health Resources and Services Administration, Room 18A-39, Parklawn Building, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, Maryland 20857, telephone (301) 443-4393. Requests for information concerning business management issues should be directed to Arlethia Dawson, Grants Management Specialist, Grants Management Branch, Maternal and Child Health Bureau, at the address listed in the **ADDRESSES** section above.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Program Background and Objectives

Public Law 101-239, the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1989 (OBRA 1989) provided for a new set-aside program under the MCH Block Grant that would be activated when the annual appropriation for Title V exceeds \$600 million dollars. This has become known as the CISS program. The program seeks to reduce infant mortality and improve the health of mothers and children, including those living in rural areas and those having special health care needs, through project support for development and expansion of strategies which have proved successful