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**Curtis L. Richards,**

*Acting Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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#### Rehabilitation Training: Rehabilitation Long-Term Training—Comprehensive System of Personnel Development; Inviting Applications for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2000

**Purpose of Program:** To assist State vocational rehabilitation agencies in carrying out their Comprehensive System of Personnel Development (CSPD) plans.

**Eligible Applicants:** State agencies and other public or nonprofit agencies and organizations, including Indian Tribes and institutions of higher education, are eligible for assistance under the Rehabilitation Training: Rehabilitation Long-Term Training program.

**Deadline for Transmittal of Applications:** September 17, 1999.

**Deadline for Intergovernmental Review:** November 16, 1999.

**Applications Available:** July 27, 1999.

**Estimated Available Funds:**

\$2,000,000.

**Estimated Range of Awards:** \$75,000–\$500,000.

**Estimated Average Size of Awards:** \$200,000.

**Estimated Number of Awards:** 10.

**Note:** The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

**Project Period:** Up to 60 months.

**Page Limit:** Part III of the application, the application narrative, is where you, the applicant, address the selection criteria used by reviewers in evaluating the application. You must limit Part III to the equivalent of no more than 45 pages, using the following standards:

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(2) You must double space (no more than three lines per vertical inch) all text in the application narrative, including titles, headings, footnotes, quotations, references, and captions, as well as all text in charts, tables, figures, and graphs.

If you use a proportional computer font, you may not use a font smaller than a 12-point font or an average character density greater than 18 characters per inch. If you use a nonproportional font or a typewriter, you may not use more than 12 characters per inch.

The page limit does not apply to Part I, the cover sheet; Part II, the budget section, including the narrative budget justification; Part IV, the assurances and certifications; or the one-page abstract, the resumes, the bibliography, or the

letters of support. However, you must include all of the application narrative in Part III.

If, in order to meet the page limit, you use print size, spacing, or margins smaller than the standards specified in this notice, we won't consider your application for funding.

**Applicable Regulations:** (a) The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR parts 74, 75, 77, 79, 80, 81, 82, 85, and 86; and (b) The regulations for this program in 34 CFR parts 385 and 386.

#### Priority

The priority in the notice of final priority for this program published in the **Federal Register** on October 16, 1998 (63 FR 55764) applies to this competition.

**Selection Criteria:** In evaluating an application for a new grant under this competition, the Secretary uses selection criteria chosen from the general selection criteria in 34 CFR 75.210 of EDGAR. The selection criteria to be used for this competition will be provided in the application package for this competition.

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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Beverly Steburg, U.S. Department of Education, Rehabilitation Services Administration, 61 Forsyth Street, SW, room 18T91, Atlanta, Georgia 30303. Telephone (404) 562-6336. If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD), you may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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### Rehabilitation Training: Rehabilitation Long-Term Training—Vocational Rehabilitation Counseling; Inviting Applications for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2000

**Purpose of Program:** The Rehabilitation Long-Term Training program provides financial assistance for—

(1) Projects that provide basic or advanced training leading to an academic degree in areas of personnel shortages in rehabilitation as identified by the Secretary;

(2) Projects that provide a specified series of courses or program of study leading to award of a certificate in areas of personnel shortages in rehabilitation as identified by the Secretary; and

(3) Projects that provide support for medical residents enrolled in residency training programs in the specialty of physical medicine and rehabilitation.

**Eligible Applicants:** State agencies and other public or nonprofit agencies and organizations, including Indian

Tribes and institutions of higher education, are eligible for assistance under the Rehabilitation Long-Term Training program.

**Deadline for Transmittal of Applications:** September 17, 1999.

**Deadline for Intergovernmental Review:** November 16, 1999.

**Applications Available:** July 27, 1999.

**Estimated Available Funds:**

\$2,100,000.

**Estimated Range of Awards:** \$90,000 to \$100,000.

**Estimated Average Size of Awards:** \$100,000.

**Estimated Number of Awards:** 21.

**Note:** The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

**Maximum Award:** In no case does the Secretary make an award greater than \$100,000 for a single budget period of 12 months. The Secretary rejects and does not consider an application that proposes a budget exceeding this maximum amount.

**Project Period:** Up to 60 months.

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#### Priorities

**Absolute Priority:** Under 34 CFR 75.105(c)(3) and 34 CFR 386.1(b) the Secretary gives an absolute preference to applications that meet the following priority. The Secretary funds under this competition only applications that meet this absolute priority:

Projects that would provide training in vocational rehabilitation counseling, which the Secretary has identified as an area of personnel shortage.

**Invitational Priorities:** Within the absolute priority specified in this notice, the Secretary is particularly interested in applications that meet one of the following invitational priorities. However, under 34 CFR 75.105(c)(1) an application that meets one of these invitational priorities does not receive competitive or absolute preference over other applications:

#### Invitational Priority 1—Master's Program

Projects that would offer training at the master's level through established graduate rehabilitation counseling programs that are accredited by the Council on Rehabilitation Education.

#### Invitational Priority 2—Doctoral Program

Projects that would offer training at the doctoral level through established graduate rehabilitation counseling programs.

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