

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
AND HUMAN SERVICES****Health Resources and Services
Administration****Availability of the HRSA Preview**

AGENCY: Health Resources and Services Administration, HHS.

ACTION: General notice.

SUMMARY: HRSA announces the availability of the HRSA Preview for summer 1999. This edition of the HRSA Preview is a comprehensive review of HRSA's Fiscal Year 2000 programs. The next edition of the HRSA Preview is scheduled to be published by early winter 1999.

The purpose of the HRSA Preview is to provide the general public with a single source of program and application information related to the Agency's competitive grant reviews. The HRSA Preview is designed to replace multiple **Federal Register** notices which traditionally advertised the availability of HRSA's discretionary funds for its various programs. In this edition of the HRSA Preview, HRSA's programs which provide funding for loan repayments and scholarships to individuals have been included in the section "Other HRSA Programs." It should be noted that other program initiatives responsive to new or emerging issues in the health care area and unanticipated at the time of publication of the HRSA Preview may be announced through the **Federal Register** from time to time. Deadlines or other requirements appearing in the **Federal Register** are not changed by this notice.

The HRSA Preview contains a description of competitive and additional programs scheduled for review in Fiscal Year 2000 and includes instructions on how to access the Agency for information and receive application kits for all programs announced. Specifically, the following information is included in the HRSA Preview: (1) Program Title; (2) Legislative Authority; (3) Purpose; (4) Eligibility; (5) Estimated Amount of Competition; (6) Estimated Number of Awards; (7) Funding Priorities and/or Preferences; (8) Application Deadline; (9) Projected Award Date; (10) Application Kit Availability; (11) Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) program identification number; and (12) Programmatic contact. Certain other information, including how to obtain and use the HRSA Preview and grant terminology, also may be found in the HRSA Preview.

This issue of the HRSA Preview includes funding for HRSA

discretionary authorities and programs as follows:

Maternal and Child Health Programs

Genetic Services-National Genetic Consumer Center
Genetic Services-State Planning Grants
Improvement of Perinatal Health: The Collaborative Ambulatory Research Network
Maternal and Child Health Research Program
Maternal and Child Health Training in Pediatric Pulmonary Centers
Maternal and Child Health Training in Schools of Public Health
Continuing Education and Development
Continuing Education/Dynamic Learning (Distance Education)
SPRANS—Ph.D. Epidemiology—MCH/SPH Fellows Training Program
National Center for Cultural Competence
Partnership for Information and Communication MCH Cooperative Agreements
Adolescent Health Center for State Maternal and Child Health Personnel
Training and Technical Assistance Centers for Mental Health in Schools
National Training Institute for Child Care Health Consultants
National Health and Safety in Child Care Health Resource Center
Health Care Information and Education for Families of Children with Special Health Care Needs
SPRANS—State and Local Data Utilization and Enhancement Cooperative Agreements
Center for School Health Care
Integrated Health Care Programs for Children and Adolescents
Innovative Approaches to Promoting Positive Health Behaviors in Women
Health and Welfare Technical Advisory Group
Healthy Child Care America State Systems Development Grants
Community Integrated Service Systems
Community Organization Grants Program
Universal Newborn Hearing Screening
Emergency Medical Services for Children, Implementations Grants
Emergency Medical Services for Children, Partnership Grants
Emergency Medical Services for Children, Targeted Issue Grants
Emergency Medical Services for Children, Native American Project
Traumatic Brain Injury, State Implementation Grants
Traumatic Brain Injury, State Planning Grants
Healthy Start: Eliminating Disparities in Perinatal Health
Healthy Start: Infrastructure/Capacity Building Projects
National Fetal and Infant Mortality Review Resource Center
Maternal and Child Health Provider Partnerships
Improving Systems of Care for Pregnant Women Experiencing Domestic Violence

HIV/AIDS Programs

Special Projects of National Significance (SPNS)

Ryan White Title III Funding for Early Intervention Services Grants: Existing Geographic Areas
Ryan White Title III Funding for Early Intervention Services Grants: New Geographic Areas
Ryan White Title III Funding for Early Intervention Services Planning Grants
Ryan White Title III HIV Funding for Early Intervention Services Planning Grants
Ryan White Title IV: Existing Geographic Areas
Ryan White Title IV: New Geographic Areas

Rural Health Programs

Rural Health Research Centers
Rural Health Outreach Grant
Rural Health Network Development
State Rural Hospital Flexibility Program

Primary Health Care Programs

Community and Migrant Health Centers
Health Care for the Homeless
Public Housing Primary Care
State Primary Care Offices
State Primary Care Associations
Grants to States for Loan Repayment Programs
Migrant Health Centers

Health Professions Programs

Academic Administrative Units in Primary Care (Family Medicine, General Internal Medicine and General Pediatrics)
Predoctoral Training in Primary Care (Family Medicine, General Internal Medicine and General Pediatrics)
Physician Assistant Training in Primary Care
Residency Training in Primary Care (Family Medicine, General Internal Medicine and General Pediatrics)
Faculty Development in Primary Care (Family Medicine, General Internal Medicine and General Pediatrics)
Podiatric Residency in Primary Care
Model State-Supported Area Health Education Centers
Basic/Core Area Health Education Centers
Health Careers Opportunity Program
Centers of Excellence
Allied Health Projects
Residencies in the Practice of Pediatric Dentistry
Chiropractic Demonstration Project Grants
Dental Public Health Residency Training Grants
Residencies and Advanced Education in the Practice of General Dentistry
Quentin N. Burdick Program for Rural Interdisciplinary Training
Public Health Training Centers Grant Program
Geriatric Education Centers
Geriatric Training Regarding Physicians and Dentists
Health Administration Traineeships & Special Projects
Nursing Workforce Diversity Grants
Basic Nurse Education and Practice Grants
Public Health Nursing Experiences in State and Local Health Departments for Baccalaureate Nursing Students
Advanced Education Nursing Grants
Advanced Education Nursing Traineeship Grants
Advanced Education Nursing—Nurse Anesthetist Traineeship Grant Program

Advancement of Telehealth

Rural Telemedicine Grant Program

Other HRSA Programs

Faculty Loan Repayment Program
Scholarships for Disadvantaged Students
Nursing Education Loan Repayment Program

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

Individuals may obtain the HRSA Preview by calling the toll free number, 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999. After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123. The HRSA Preview may also be accessed on the World Wide Web on the HRSA Home Page at: <http://www.hrsa.dhhs.gov/>.

Dated: August 11, 1999.

Claude Earl Fox,

Administrator.

How To Obtain and Use the HRSA Preview

It is recommended that you read the introductory materials, terminology section, and individual program category descriptions before contacting the general number 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999. After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123. Likewise, we urge applicants to fully assess their eligibility for grants before requesting kits. As a general rule, no more than one kit per category will be mailed to applicants.

To Obtain a Copy of the HRSA Preview

To have your name and address added to or deleted from the HRSA Preview mailing list, please call the toll free number 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999 or e-mail us at hrsa.gac@hrsa.gov. After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123. If you need special accommodations in accessing this information please call Jeanellen Kallevang, of the Grants Policy Branch, at 301-443-6507.

To Obtain an Application Kit

Upon review of the program descriptions, please determine which category or categories of application kit(s) you wish to receive and contact the 1-888-333-HRSA number, until September 12, 1999, to register on the specific mailing list. After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123. Application kits are generally available 60 days prior to application deadline. If kits are already available, they will be mailed immediately.

World Wide Web Access

The HRSA Preview is available, under the grants section, on the HRSA

Homepage via the World Wide Web at: <http://www.hrsa.dhhs.gov/>.

Application materials are currently available for downloading in the current cycle for some HRSA programs. HRSA's goal is to post application forms and materials for all programs in future cycles. You can download this issue of the HRSA Preview in Adobe Acrobat format (.pdf) from HRSA's web site.

Also, you can register on-line to be sent specific grant application materials by following the instructions on the web page. Your mailing information will be added to our database and material will be sent to you as it becomes available.

Grant Terminology**Application Deadlines**

Applications will be considered "on time" if they are either received on or before the established deadline date or postmarked on or before the deadline date given in the program announcement or in the application kit materials.

Authorizations

The citations of provisions of the laws authorizing the various programs are provided immediately preceding groupings of program categories.

CFDA Number

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) is a Government-wide compendium of Federal programs, projects, services, and activities which provide assistance. Programs listed therein are given a CFDA Number.

Cooperative Agreement

A financial assistance mechanism (grant) used when substantial Federal programmatic involvement with the recipient is anticipated by the funding agency during performance of the project.

Eligibility

Authorizing legislation and programmatic regulations specify eligibility for individual grant programs. In general, assistance is provided to nonprofit organizations and institutions, State and local governments and their agencies, and occasionally to individuals. For-profit organizations are eligible to receive awards under financial assistance programs unless specifically excluded by legislation.

Estimated Amount of Competition

The funding level listed is provided for planning purposes and is subject to the availability of funds.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Special priorities or preferences are those which the individual programs have identified for the funding cycle. Some programs give preference to organizations which have specific capabilities such as telemedicine networking or established relationships with managed care organizations. Preference also may be given to achieve an equitable geographic distribution and other reasons to increase the effectiveness of the programs.

Key Offices

The Grants Management Office serves as the focal point for business matters. A "key" symbol indicates the appropriate office for each program area and the main telephone number for the office.

Matching Requirements

Several HRSA programs require a matching amount, or percentage of the total project support, to come from sources other than Federal funds. Matching requirements are generally mandated in the authorizing legislation for specific categories. Also, matching requirements may be administratively required by the awarding office. Such requirements are set forth in the application kit.

Project Period

The total time for which support of a discretionary project has been programmatically approved. The project period usually consists of a series of budget periods of one-year duration. Once approved through initial review, continuation of each successive budget period is subject to satisfactory performance, availability of funds and program priorities.

Review Criteria

The following are generic review criteria applicable to HRSA programs:

- That the estimated costs to the Government of the project is reasonable considering the level and complexity of activity and the anticipated results.
- That project personnel or prospective fellows are well qualified by training and/or experience for the support sought, and the applicant organization or the organization to provide training to a fellow has adequate facilities and manpower.
- That, insofar as practical, the proposed activities (scientific or other), if well executed, are capable of attaining project objectives.
- That the project objectives are capable of achieving the specific program objectives defined in the

program announcement and the proposed results are measurable.

- That the method for evaluating proposed results includes criteria for determining the extent to which the program has achieved its stated objectives and the extent to which the accomplishment of objectives can be attributed to the program.

- That, in so far as practical, the proposed activities, when accomplished, are replicable, national in scope and include plans for broad dissemination.

The specific review criteria used to review and rank applications are included in the individual guidance material provided with the application kits. Applicants should pay strict attention to addressing these criteria as they are the basis upon which their applications will be judged.

Technical Assistance

A contact person is listed for each program and his/her e-mail address and telephone number provided. Some programs have scheduled workshops and conference calls as indicated by the "magnifying glass" in the HRSA Preview. If you have questions concerning individual programs or the availability of technical assistance, please contact the person listed. Also check your application materials and the HRSA web site <http://www.hrsa.dhhs.gov/> for the latest technical assistance information.

Frequently Asked Questions

1. Where do I submit grant applications?

The address for submitting your grant application will be shown in the guidance document included in the application kit.

2. HRSA lists many telephone numbers and e-mail addresses. Who do I phone or e-mail and when?

Phone 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999, to register for application kits. After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123. It will be helpful to the information specialist if you have the CFDA Number and title of the program handy for reference.

If, before you register, you want to know more about the program, an e-mail/telephone contact is listed. This contact can provide information concerning the specific program's purpose, scope and goals, and eligibility criteria. Usually, you will be encouraged to request the application kit so that you will have clear, comprehensive and accurate information available to you. The application kit lists telephone numbers for a program expert and a grants management specialist who will provide technical assistance concerning your specific program, if you are unable to find the information within the materials provided.

3. The dates listed in the HRSA Preview and the dates in the application

kit do not agree. How do I know which is correct?

First, register at 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999 for each program that you are interested in as shown in the HRSA Preview. After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

HRSA Preview dates for application kit availability and application receipt deadline are based upon the best known information at the time of publication, often nine months in advance of the competitive cycle. Occasionally, the grant cycle does not begin as projected and dates must be adjusted. The deadline date stated in your application kit is correct. If the application kit has been made available and subsequently the date changes, notification of the change will be mailed to known recipients of the application kit. Therefore, if you are registered at 1-888-333-HRSA or 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123 after September 12, you will receive the most current information.

4. Are programs announced in the HRSA Preview ever canceled?

Infrequently, programs announced may be withdrawn from competition. If this occurs, a cancellation notice will be provided through the HRSA Preview at the HRSA Homepage <http://www.hrsa.dhhs.gov/>.

If you still have unanswered questions, please contact John Gallicchio of the Grants Policy Branch at 301-443-6507 (jgallicchio@hrsa.gov).

HRSA PROGRAMS AT A GLANCE

Program name	CFDA No.	Deadline
Maternal and Child Health Programs		
Genetic Services—National Genetic Consumer Center	93.110A	02/29/2000
Genetic Services—State Planning Grants	93.110A	02/29/2000
Improvement of Perinatal Health: The Collaborative Ambulatory Research Network	93.110RA	04/01/2000
Maternal and Child Health Research Program	93.110RS	10/01/1999 & 03/01/2000
Maternal and Child Health Training in Pediatric Pulmonary Centers	93.110TJ	12/15/1999
Maternal and Child Health Training in Schools of Public Health	93.110TK	10/01/1999
Continuing Education and Development	93.110TO	01/15/2000
Continuing Education/Dynamic Learning (Distance Education)	93.110TQ	01/15/2000
SPRANS—Ph.D. Epidemiology—MCH/SPH Fellows Training Program	93.110TS	02/15/2000
National Center for Cultural Competence	93.110F	12/31/1999
Partnership for Information and Communication MCH Cooperative Agreements	93.110G	01/15/2000
Adolescent Health Center for State Maternal and Child Health Personnel	93.110J	01/15/2000
Training and Technical Assistance Centers for Mental Health in Schools	93.110M	01/15/2000
National Training Institute for Child Care Health Consultants	93.110P	01/15/2000
National Health and Safety in Child Care Health Resource Center	93.110P	01/15/2000
Health Care Information and Education for Families of Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN)	93.110S	12/01/1999
SPRANS—State and Local Data Utilization and Enhancement (DUE) Cooperative Agreements	93.110U	03/15/2000
Center for School Health Care	93.110AE	01/15/2000
Integrated Health Care Programs for Children and Adolescents	93.110AF	01/15/2000
Innovative Approaches to Promoting Positive Health Behaviors in Women	93.110AH	01/17/2000
Health and Welfare Technical Advisory Group	93.110AI	01/15/2000
Healthy Child Care America State Systems Development Grants	93.110AQ	03/08/2000
Community Integrated Service Systems (CISS) Community Organization Grants Program	93.110AR	03/10/2000
Universal Newborn Hearing Screening	93.110ZZ	01/15/2000
Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC), Implementations Grants	93.127A	11/01/1999
Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC), Partnership Grants	93.127C	11/15/1999

HRSA PROGRAMS AT A GLANCE—Continued

Program name	CFDA No.	Deadline
Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC), Targeted Issue Grants	93.127D	11/01/1999
Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC), Native American Project	93.127G	11/01/1999
Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI), State Implementation Grants	93.234A	12/01/1999
Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI), State Planning Grants	93.234B	12/01/1999
Healthy Start: Eliminating Disparities in Perinatal Health	93.926E	03/01/2000
Healthy Start: Infrastructure/Capacity Building Projects	93.926F	03/15/2000
National Fetal and Infant Mortality Review (FIMR) Resource Center	93.926H	04/01/2000
Maternal and Child Health Provider Partnerships	93.926I	03/03/2000
Improving Systems of Care for Pregnant Women Experiencing Domestic Violence	93.926J	02/11/2000
HIV/AIDS Programs		
Special Projects of National Significance (SPNS)	93.928	06/01/2000
Ryan White Title III Funding for Early Intervention Services Grants: Existing Geographic Areas	93.918A	10/01/1999
Ryan White Title III Funding for Early Intervention Services Grants: New Geographic Areas	93.918B	07/17/2000
Ryan White Title III HIV Funding for Early Intervention Services Planning Grants	93.918C	06/02/2000
Ryan White Title III HIV Funding for Early Intervention Services Planning Grants	93.918D	06/02/2000
Ryan White Title IV: Existing Geographic Areas	93.153A	03/01/2000
Ryan White Title IV: New Geographic Areas	93.153B	03/01/2000
Rural Health Programs		
Rural Health Research Centers	93.155	05/01/2000
Rural Health Outreach Grant	93.912A	11/01/1999
Rural Health Network Development	93.912B	11/08/1999
State Rural Hospital Flexibility Program	93.241	06/01/2000
Primary Health Care Programs		
Community and Migrant Health Centers	93.224 and 93.246	Varies
Health Care for the Homeless	93.151	Varies
Public Housing Primary Care	93.927	10/01/1999
State Primary Care Offices	93.130	12/01/1999
State Primary Care Associations	93.129	12/01/1999
Grants to States for Loan Repayment Programs	93.165	05/01/2000
Migrant Health Centers	93.246	02/01/2000
Health Professions Programs		
Academic Administrative Units in Primary Care (Family Medicine, General Internal Medicine and General Pediatrics)	93.984A	01/06/2000
Predoctoral Training in Primary Care (Family Medicine, General Internal Medicine and General Pediatrics)	93.896A	11/29/1999
Physician Assistant Training in Primary Care	93.886A	11/15/1999
Residency Training in Primary Care (Family Medicine, General Internal Medicine and General Pediatrics) ..	93.884A	09/27/1999
Faculty Development in Primary Care (Family Medicine, General Internal Medicine and General Pediatrics) ..	93.895A	10/22/1999
Podiatric Residency in Primary Care	93.181	09/30/1999
Model State-Supported Area Health Education Centers	93.107	01/14/2000
Basic/Core Area Health Education Centers	93.824	01/14/2000
Health Careers Opportunity Program (HCOP)	93.822	01/10/2000
Centers of Excellence	93.157	01/15/2000
Allied Health Projects	93.191	02/22/2000
Residencies in the Practice of Pediatric Dentistry	93.897A	11/01/1999
Chiropractic Demonstration Project Grants	93.212	02/22/2000
Dental Public Health Residency Training Grants	93.236	11/01/1999
Residencies and Advanced Education in the Practice of General Dentistry	93.897	11/01/1999
Quentin N. Burdick Program for Rural Interdisciplinary Training	93.192	10/22/1999
Public Health Training Centers Grant Program	93.188A	12/06/1999
Geriatric Education Centers	93.969	12/09/1999
Geriatric Training Regarding Physicians and Dentists	93.156	12/09/1999
Health Administration Traineeships & Special Projects	93.962	10/15/1999
Nursing Workforce Diversity Grants	93.178A	12/17/1999
Basic Nurse Education and Practice Grants	93.359A	02/22/2000
Public Health Nursing experiences in State and Local Health Departments for Baccalaureate Nursing Students ..	93.359B	11/17/1999
Advanced Education Nursing Grants	93.299A	01/28/2000
Advanced Education Nursing Traineeship Grants	93.299B	12/03/1999
Advanced Education Nursing—Nurse Anesthetist Traineeship Grant Program	93.299C	12/03/1999
Advancement of Telehealth		
Rural Telemedicine Grant Program	93.211	03/01/2000

HRSA PROGRAMS AT A GLANCE—Continued

Program name	CFDA No.	Deadline
Other HRSA Programs		
Faculty Loan Repayment Program (FLRP)	93.923	03/31/2000
Scholarships for Disadvantaged Students (SDS)	93.925	03/15/2000
Nursing Education Loan Repayment Program	93.908	05/01/2000

Maternal and Child Health Programs

Grants Management Office: 1-301-443-1440.

Genetic Services—National Genetic Consumer Center.

CFDA Number: 93.110A.

Application Availability: 12/15/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Letter of Intent Deadline: 01/15/2000.

Application Deadline: 02/29/2000.

Projected Award Date: 06/01/2000.

Authorization

Social Security Act, Title V, 42 U.S.C. 701.

Purpose

The purpose of this cooperative agreement is to support a national consumer center for the establishment of a national network to provide genetic information and education for consumers of genetic services and to outline national policy to improve the quality, accessibility and utilization of genetic services. The center's activities would include: (1) The involvement of national membership of consumer, family, professional, and support group organizations, with the acknowledgment of the need for membership representation to include geographic and ethnic diversity; (2) the development of support groups and consumer organizations by providing technical assistance, resources and training for consumer leaders; (3) a forum for interaction between consumers, the Maternal and Child Health Bureau (MCHB) and other relevant Federal, State and community organizations on issues related to genetic medicine, services and technology; (4) facilitate public, provider and consumer access to centralized resources, support and referral services that enhance the general public's ability to make informed decisions about genetic services; and (5) provide an effective and proactive consumer voice,

facilitating representation of consumer perspectives and issues in public policy discussions and throughout the public policy decision-making processes.

Eligibility

42 CFR Part 51a.3*

(a) With the exception of training and research, as described in paragraph (b) of this section, any public or private entity, including Indian tribe or tribal organization (as those terms are defined at 25 U.S.C. 450b) is eligible to apply for Federal funding under this Part; (b) Only public or nonprofit private institutions of higher learning may apply for training grants. Only public or nonprofit institutions of higher learning and public or private nonprofit agencies engaged in research or in programs relating to maternal and child health and/or services for children with special health care needs may apply for grants, contracts or cooperative agreements for research in maternal and child health services or in services for children with special health care needs.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Preference will be given to nationally recognized consumer organizations with clearly demonstrated national expertise and capacity for addressing genetic medicine, services and technology issues related to consumers of genetic services and their families and to applicants building upon current family and professional partnerships, family training and empowerment activities in collaboration with the Title V discretionary grant efforts.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition

\$400,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

1.

Estimated Project Period

5 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

Contact Person: Michele Puryear, M.D.

Phone Number: 1-301-443-1080.

E-mail: mpuryear@hrsa.gov.

Genetic Services-State Planning Grants

CFDA Number: 93.110A.

Application Availability: 12/15/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Letter of Intent Deadline: 1/15/2000.

Application Deadline: 2/29/2000.

Projected Award Date: 6/01/2000.

Authorization

Social Security Act, Title V, 42 U.S.C. 701.

Purpose

Projects that develop and demonstrate the use of information systems for the integration of State newborn screening programs with population based, community based and family centered early intervention programs that are tied to outcome driven systems of service to children with special health needs and families.

Eligibility

42 CFR Part 51a.3*

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

A funding preference will be given to community/State agency partnerships in coalition with public and private community based providers.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition

\$750,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

10.

Estimated Project Period

2 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

Contact Person: Michele Puryear, M.D.

Phone Number: 1-301-443-1080.

E-mail: mpuryear@hrsa.gov.

Improvement of Perinatal Health: The Collaborative Ambulatory Research Network

CFDA Number: 93.110RA.

Application Availability: 01/01/2000.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Letter of Intent Deadline: 02/01/2000.

Application Deadline: 04/01/2000.

Projected Award Date: 07/01/2000.

Authorization

Social Security Act, Title V, 42 U.S.C. 701.

Purpose

The purpose of this program is to establish a nationwide structure (network) for conducting research on ambulatory health care practices to improve perinatal health care. The goals of this program include examining and describing existing obstetrician-gynecologist knowledge base and practices. Information from this network should be used to develop better informed educational strategies and to disseminate information to physicians in areas where there is a knowledge deficit. The project will cooperate and work collaboratively with other MCHB funded projects in perinatal and women's health.

Eligibility

The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG) is eligible to apply.

Sole Source

ACOG is the primary organization representing Ambulatory Obstetrics and Gynecology in the Nation and is the only organization which represents the majority of practitioners necessary to establish an adequate structural network.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

None.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition

\$200,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

1.

Estimated Project Period

Up to 5 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

Contact Person: Gontran Lamberty, Dr. P.H. or Maurice Bryant.

Phone Number: 1-301-443-0765.

E-mail: glamberty@hrsa.gov or mbryant@hrsa.gov.

Maternal and Child Health Research Program

CFDA Number: 93.110RS.

Application Availability: 06/14/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Application Deadline: 10/01/1999 & 03/01/2000.

Projected Award Date: 01/01/2000 & 07/01/2000.

Authorization

Social Security Act, Title V, 42 U.S.C. 701.

Purpose

The purpose of this program is to support applied research relating to maternal and child health services, which show promise of substantial contribution in knowledge, that when used in States and communities will result in health status and health services improvements.

Eligibility

42 CFR Part 51a.3*

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Fifteen issues/questions selected from 11 priority areas, and keyed to goals and objectives of the Bureau and HRSA strategic plans, will be given special consideration for funding. The special consideration consists of a 0.5 points favorable adjustment to the funding score assigned to an application, on a range of 1.0 to 5.0, when recommended for approval by the MCH Research Review Committee. The 15 issues/questions selected from the 11 priority areas are detailed in the guidance material contained in the application kit.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition

\$1,900,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

10.

Estimated Project Period

1 to 4 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

Contact Person: Gontran Lamberty, Dr. P.H.

Phone Number: 1-301-443-2190.

E-mail: glamberty@hrsa.gov.

Maternal and Child Health Training in Pediatric Pulmonary Centers

CFDA Number: 93.110TJ.

Application Availability: 10/01/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Letter of Intent Deadline: 11/15/1999.

Application Deadline: 12/15/1999.

Projected Award Date: 07/01/2000.

Authorization

Social Security Act, Title V, Section 502, 42 U.S.C. 702.

Purpose

To provide interdisciplinary leadership training for several health professional disciplines, at the graduate and post graduate levels, to prepare them for leadership roles, including teaching, in the care of, research on, or development of organized systems of health care delivery for children with chronic respiratory conditions and their families.

Eligibility

42 CFR Part 51a.3*

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

A preference will be given to Departments of Pediatrics in accredited medical schools that meet the special requirements for training programs in pediatric pulmonology.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition

\$2,150,175.

Estimated Number of Awards

Approximately 7.

Estimated Project Period

5 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

Contact Person: Shelley Benjamin, M.S.W.

Phone Number: 1-301-443-2190.

E-mail: sbenjamin@hrsa.gov.

Maternal and Child Health Training in Schools of Public Health

CFDA Number: 93.110TK.

Application Availability: 07/29/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Letter of Intent Deadline: 09/01/1999.

Application Deadline: 10/01/1999.

Projected Award Date: 06/01/2000.

Authorization

Social Security Act, Title V, Section 502, 42 U.S.C. 702.

Purpose

To support and strengthen MCH Programs through long term training of a wide range of health professionals who serve children. Training is at the graduate and post graduate levels, with a special focus on family centered, community-based care. The programs are designed to develop leadership personnel to provide for comprehensive health care including health promotion and disease prevention and related services to mothers and children.

Eligibility

42 CFR Part 51a.3*

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

A preference will be given to Schools of Public Health, accredited by the Council on Education for Public Health, with an established Maternal and Child Health Program.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition

\$4,425,965.

Estimated Number of Awards

12-13.

Estimated Project Period

5 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Continuing Education and Development

CFDA Number: 93.110TO.

Application Availability: 11/08/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Letter of Intent Deadline: 12/08/1999.

Application Deadline: 01/15/2000.

Projected Award Date: 06/01/2000.

Authorization

Social Security Act, Title V, Section 502, 42 U.S.C. 702.

Purpose

Continuing Education and Development (CED) focuses on increasing leadership skills of MCH professionals; facilitating timely transfer and application of new information, research findings and technology related to MCH; and updating and improving the knowledge and skills of health and related professionals in programs serving mothers and children. CED programs will support conduct of short-term, non-degree related courses, workshops, conferences, symposia, institutes, and distance learning strategies and/or development of curricula, guidelines, standards of practice, and educational tools/strategies intended to assure quality health care for the MCH population.

Eligibility

42 CFR Part 51a.3*

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

None.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition

\$250,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

10.

Estimated Project Period

1-3 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Continuing Education/Dynamic Learning (Distance Education)

CFDA Number: 93.110TQ.

Application Availability: 11/08/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Letter of Intent Deadline: 12/15/1999.

Application Deadline: 01/15/2000.

Projected Award Date: 06/01/2000.

Authorization

Social Security Act, Title V, 42 U.S.C. 701.

Purpose

Alternative education methodologies provide an effective and economical means for professional staff to enhance and advance their skills while continuing to meet their daily on-site responsibilities. MCH managers need timely and available information to complete the functions for assessing need, developing policies and programs, addressing and resolving problems, monitoring progress and evaluating performance. Analytical skills are needed to convert data to information to better serve mothers and children living in high risk circumstances. This grant program encourages the development, implementation, creative utilization and application of distance education opportunities for the State and local MCH communities to improve the delivery of health care services to mothers and children. Courses will be developed and given annually using distance learning modalities and delivered to State and local MCH staffers. Technical support for specific analytical tasks will be provided via the Internet, compact discs and via satellite broadcasts to State and local agencies. Projects will work collaboratively with each other and the MCH Bureau to develop common formats, tools and approaches.

Eligibility

42 CFR Part 51a.3*

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

None.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition

\$715,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

Estimated Project Period

2 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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SPRANS—Ph.D. Epidemiologic-MCH/SPH Fellows Training Program

CFDA Number: 93.110TS.

Application Availability: 12/01/1999.

To obtain this application kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Letter of Intent Deadline: 01/01/2000.

<p><i>Application Deadline:</i> 02/15/2000. <i>Projected Award Date:</i> 04/01/2000.</p>	<p>For Programmatic Questions <i>Contact Person:</i> Russ Scarato. <i>Phone Number:</i> 1-301-443-0701. <i>E-mail:</i> rscarato@hrsa.gov.</p>	<p>Estimated Number of Awards 1.</p>
<p>Authorization Social Security Act, Title V, 42 U.S.C. 701.</p>	<p><i>National Center for Cultural Competence</i> <i>CFDA Number:</i> 93.110F. <i>Application Availability:</i> 09/30/1999.</p>	<p>Estimated Project Period 5 Year.</p>
<p>Purpose The Ph.D. Fellows grant was established to develop and promote epidemiologic analysis as a part of MCH health training program operations. It is intended to attract MCH doctoral students to the field of epidemiologic analysis and produce publications that further policy and program development. Currently, literature on the application of epidemiology to children's health is scarce. Little data and analysis is available on the effectiveness and benefits of child health services and information needed to improve resource allocation decisions. The purpose of this program is to increase the number of doctoral candidates and postdoctoral fellows who elect a relevant MCH epidemiologic analysis issue, applied to MCH service delivery, as the basis for their research and dissertation. Candidates and fellows are to produce creative, well thought out, dissertation subjects of interest that reflect the current trend of MCH and how the field of economic and epidemiologic analysis impacts upon it. This funding will support:</p>	<p>To Obtain This Application Kit <i>Contact:</i> 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999. <i>After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.</i> <i>Letter of Intent Deadline:</i> 10/30/1999. <i>Application Deadline:</i> 12/31/1999. <i>Projected Award Date:</i> 06/01/2000.</p>	<p>For Programmatic Questions <i>Contact Person:</i> Diana Denboba. <i>Phone Number:</i> 1-301-443-9332. <i>E-mail:</i> ddenboba@hrsa.gov. <i>Partnership for Information and Communication (PIC) MCH Cooperative Agreements</i> <i>CFDA Number:</i> 93.110G. <i>Application Availability:</i> 11/15/1999.</p>
<p>1. Recruitment and enrollment of 6 doctoral students who will develop dissertations with an emphasis on epidemiologic analysis. 2. Enhancement of student analytic capability as well as improved understanding of the epidemiologic of MCH services. 3. Development of publishable materials for distribution to the broader MCH community.</p>	<p>Authorization Social Security Act, Title V, 42 U.S.C. 701.</p>	<p>To Obtain This Application Kit <i>Contact:</i> 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999. <i>After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.</i></p>
<p>Eligibility 42 CFR Part 51a.3*</p>	<p>Purpose The purpose of this cooperative agreement competition is to assist State and local Title V Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) programs to plan, implement and evaluate culturally competent policies, procedures and practices in partnership with the Federal Central and Field Office MCHB/DSCSHCN staff, other Federal/State and local programs and consumers by assisting State programs: (1) Conduct agency cultural competency assessments; (2) incorporate cultural competence in their strategic and Title V Block Grant annual plans; (3) assist in the development of an evaluation of cultural competence activities, e.g., develop performance measures and outcome indicators related to access, health outcomes and consumer/provider satisfaction for CSHCN programs; and (4) promote the principles, values, skills and knowledge of culturally competent, family-centered care in related CSHCN programs, such as other SPRANS discretionary grants and State Child Health Insurance Programs.</p>	<p><i>Letter of Intent Deadline:</i> 12/15/1999. <i>Application Deadline:</i> 1/15/2000. <i>Projected Award Date:</i> 4/01/2000.</p>
<p>Funding Priorities and/or Preferences A preference will be given to Schools of Public Health with MCH programs.</p>	<p>Eligibility 42 CFR Part 51a.3*</p>	<p>Authorization Social Security Act, Title V, 42 U.S.C. 701.</p>
<p>Review Criteria Final criteria are included in the application kit.</p>	<p>Funding Priorities and/or Preferences Funding preference will be given to an organization with demonstrated capability and experience in the area of cultural competence and with Title V CSHCN programs</p>	<p>Purpose To provide cooperative agreements with governmental, professional and private organizations represented by leaders concerned with issues related to maternal and child health and involved in sustaining systems of care and/or providing family support to persons affected by severe illness or injury. Specifically, this program is designed to facilitate the dissemination of new information in a format that will be most useful to them when developing MCH policies and programs in the private and public sectors at local, State and national levels, and understanding by the MCHB of the maternal and child health concerns held by these policy makers.</p>
<p>Estimated Amount of This Competition \$150,000.</p>	<p>Review Criteria Final criteria are included in the application kit.</p>	<p>Eligibility 42 CFR Part 51a.3*</p>
<p>Estimated Number of Awards 6.</p>	<p>Estimated amount of this competition \$255,000.</p>	<p>Funding Priorities and/or Preferences A preference will be given to organizations currently receiving support as part of this cooperative agreement representing State governors and their staffs; county health policymakers, municipal health policymakers, nonprofit and/or for-profit managed care organizations and coalitions of organizations promoting the health of mothers and infants, national membership organizations representing survivors of traumatic brain injury (TBI), providing emergency medical care for children, and</p>
<p>Estimated Project Period 1 Year.</p>		

representing State TBI and Emergency Medical Services programs, as well as national membership organizations representing groups or constituencies listed below.

To ensure continuity, membership for the organizations participating in PIC is rotated so that not all project periods coincide. For this year, only national membership organizations representing the following groups will be considered for funding: State legislators; private businesses, particularly self-insured businesses; philanthropic organizations; parent organizations; State Title V Directors; and State Head Injury Program Directors.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition
\$2,351,840.

Estimated Number of Awards

7.

Estimated Project Period
5 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Adolescent Health Center for State Maternal and Child Health Personnel

CFDA Number: 93.110J.
Application Availability: 11/15/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.
After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.
Letter of Intent Deadline: 12/15/1999.
Application Deadline: 01/15/2000.
Projected Award Date: 04/01/2000.

Authorization

Social Security Act, Title V, 42 U.S.C. 701.

Purpose

To assist States in promoting State core capacity in adolescent health by developing and implementing adolescent health action plans based on needs assessments, implementation of adolescent State interagency task forces, convening of expert advisory councils, and convening of youth advisory groups. Such a Center, to strengthen States' abilities to address adolescent health issues, was first established in 1995. States will set targets for Healthy People 2010 adolescent health

objectives, develop and implement action plans to meet them, and will improve the measurable health status of adolescents.

Eligibility

42 CFR Part 51a.3*

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

None.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition
\$200,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

1.

Estimated Project Period
4 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Training and Technical Assistance Centers for Mental Health in Schools

CFDA Number: 93.110M.
Application Availability: 11/15/1999.

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After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.
Letter of Intent Deadline: 12/15/1999.
Application Deadline: 01/15/2000.
Projected Award Date: 04/01/2000.

Authorization

Social Security Act, Title V, 42 U.S.C. 701.

Purpose

The intent of this category is to provide a mechanism for assistance for programs whose goal is to provide and enhance mental health resources and services for the school-age population. Centers funded under this category will provide assistance to targeted needs identified by those organizations and institutions requesting the training or technical assistance. Assistance should utilize, as much as possible, existing materials and training models that have demonstrated success and impact in the past. Methods utilized will also be adapted to suit the particular circumstances.

Eligibility

42 CFR Part 51a.3*

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences
None.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition
\$590,000.

Estimated Numbers of Award
2.

Estimated Project Period
5 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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National Training Institute for Child Care Health Consultants

CFDA Number: 93.110P.
Application Availability: 11/15/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

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Letter of Intent Deadline: 12/15/1999.
Application Deadline: 01/15/2000.
Projected Award Date: 04/01/2000.

Authorization

Social Security Act, Title V, 42 U.S.C. 701.

Purpose

Quality Child Care, which pays attention to health and safety and protecting children from harm, is often a function of quality State licensure regulations and guidelines as well as local support. This support is best carried out by child care health consultants at the local level who train and support child care providers and families and assure that the child care guidelines are carried out. Child care health consultants are a new type of health professional. They view child care as a focal point for identifying children in need of health coverage including Medicaid and CHIP, and as a place to help families identify a medical home for their child. The MCHB funded the National Training Institute (NTI) for Child Care Healthy Consultants in 1996 to provide standardized training using Caring for Our Children and Stepping Stones as a basis of the curriculum. The model is "train the trainer," and there

is a distance learning component as well as on-site. The expected outcome is statewide networks of child care health consultants to the local level in every State.

Eligibility

42 CFR Part 51a.3*

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

The current grantee is the University of North Carolina School of Public Health in collaboration with the Frank Porter Graham Child Development Center. They will apply, as well as organizations and universities which have expertise and an interest in health and safety in child care and the ability to create systems for training child care health consultants and technology transfer related to distance learning.

Special Consideration

Ability to conduct a training program for child care health consultants which is national in focus, and ability to conduct distance learning using state-of-the-art technology transfer.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition
\$225,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

1.

Estimated Project Period

5 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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National Health and Safety in Child Care Health Resource Center

CFDA Number: 93.110P.
Application Availability: 11/15/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Letter of Intent Deadline: 12/15/1999.
Application Deadline: 01/15/2000.
Projected Award Date: 04/01/2000.

Authorization

Social Security Act, Title V, 42 U.S.C. 701.

Purpose

The National Resource Center (NRC) for Health and Safety in Child Care supports States in the development of

quality child care health and safety programs through the performance of the following activities: maintain and update on the World Wide Web the computerized National Child Care standards database which contains the National Health and Safety Performance Standards; annually update health and safety standards for all States and territories and Stepping Stones to Caring for our Children; provide consultation, training and technical assistance to States on child care health and safety; maintain child care health and safety references collections; develop and maintain child care databases; arrange conferences and workshops; convene annual meetings of the NRC Advisory Committee; disseminate information to the public and to professional organizations; analysis of special issues; and develop programmatic approaches and participation/presentation at key child care conferences.

Eligibility

42 CFR Part 51a.3*

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

None.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition
\$350,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

1.

Estimated Project Period

5 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Health Care Information and Education for Families of Children With Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN)

CFDA Number: 93.110S.
Application Availability: 08/01/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Letter of Intent Deadline: 10/01/1999.
Application Deadline: 12/01/1999.
Projected Award Date: 03/01/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title III, Section 301, 42 U.S.C. 241

Purpose

The purpose of this competition is to support a cooperative agreement for implementation of a piloted national strategy to establish a national network of centers that will provide health care information and education to families of children with special health care needs. These centers will be planned and administered by families and will be built upon existing collaborative relationships with State Title V-CSHCN programs, providers and family advocates.

Eligibility

42 CFR Part 51a.3*

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Funding preference will be given to nationally recognized family organizations with clearly demonstrated national expertise and capacity in addressing health issues related to CSHCN and their families.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition
\$500,000 pending availability of funds.

Estimated Number of Awards

1.

Estimated Project Period

5 years.

For Programmatic Questions

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SPRANS—State and Local Data Utilization and Enhancement (DUE) Cooperative Agreements

CFDA Number: 93.110U.
Application Availability: 01/03/2000.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Letter of Intent Deadline: 02/15/2000.
Application Deadline: 03/15/2000.
Projected Award Date: 05/01/2000.

Authorization

Social Security Act, Title V, 42 U.S.C. 701.

Purpose

Cooperative Agreements to State and local agencies, each of whom will contribute equal matching funds to:

support, develop and implement MCH State and local data activities, which may include developing standardized integrated data and communication systems within and between States; develop standardized mechanisms to better monitor managed care; and/or develop common data elements/model approaches to key emerging MCH data issues, including support for innovation in health systems and community assessment indicators; conduct a cost-effective analysis of MCH services, performance measures and outcome reporting; develop methods to measure unmet needs, gaps in services, and needs of special populations; propose new measures of morbidities and health; examine the quality of care and implementation of community health initiatives. Projects will work collaboratively with each other and the MCH Bureau to develop common definitions and data elements, model tools and approaches and performance standards.

Eligibility

42 CFR Part 51a.3*

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

None.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition

\$428,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

6.

Estimated Project Period

3 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Note: These six cooperative agreements represent a pilot effort to actively work with and support State and local development of integrated data systems and analytical models. Additional funds are needed to expand this effort beyond the restriction mandated by the current budget.

Center for School Health Care

CFDA Number: 93.110AE.

Application Availability: 11/15/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Letter of Intent Deadline: 12/15/1999.

Application Deadline: 01/15/2000.

Projected Award Date: 04/01/2000.

Authorization

Social Security Act, Title V, 42 U.S.C. 701.

Purpose

To provide a means of providing up-to-date information on approaches to improving school-based health care. To enhance State and community level capacity for school health planning, policy development, and quality assurance; to promote growth in school health infrastructure; to identify and promote models of interdisciplinary training and team development for health and education personnel; to identify and disseminate state-of-the-art practices in school health and school based health care; and to identify and disseminate information on sustainability of school based health services, particularly concerning third party reimbursements.

Eligibility

42 CFR Part 51a.3*

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Funding preference will be given to any public or private organization that can function on a national level, demonstrate knowledge and experience with the issues to be addressed, and can demonstrate credibility in the health and education communities is eligible to apply.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition

\$200,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

1.

Estimated Project period

4 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Integrated Health Care Programs for Children and Adolescents

CFDA Number: 93.110AF.

Application Availability: 11/15/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Letter of Intent Deadline: 12/15/1999.

Application Deadline: 01/15/2000.

Projected Award Date: 04/01/2000.

Authorization

Social Security Act, Title V, 42 U.S.C. 701.

Purpose

These two year planning grants are designed to initiate and formalize a working relationship among community resources, in order to detail arrangements for establishing an integrated program of health service delivery for children and adolescents, in a targeted area with a total population of 100,000 to 250,000. The combined services are to include physical and psychosocial primary health care, comprehensive mental health services, and substance abuse prevention and treatment services. The plan that is produced is to include attention to organizational structure, staffing, facilities, information systems including protection of confidentiality, and fiscal arrangements.

Eligibility

42 CFR Part 51a.3*

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

None.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition

\$210,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

4.

Estimated Project Period.

2 years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Innovative Approaches to Promoting Positive Health Behaviors in Women

CFDA Number: 93.110AH.

Application Availability: 11/01/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999 .

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Letter of Intent Deadline: 12/17/1999.

Application Deadline: 01/17/2000.
Projected Award Date: 04/03/2000.

Authorization

Social Security Act, Title V, 42 U.S.C. 701.

Purpose

This three year demonstration program will develop and demonstrate innovative approaches that are effective in promoting positive health behaviors in women, particularly behaviors influencing preconceptional health (nutrition, smoking cessation, STD prevention, etc.) through partnerships with other organizations (business, child care, religious, etc.) in a variety of community settings. These approaches should target women who currently have limited access to health promotion services and should link women with Title V and other relevant health resources and services.

Eligibility

42 CFR Part 51a.3*.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

None.

Special Considerations

There may be only one application per State.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of this Competition

\$450,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

3.

Estimated Project Period

3 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Health and Welfare Technical Advisory Group

CFDA Number: 93.110AI.
Application Availability: 11/15/1999.

To obtain this application kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Letter of Intent Deadline: 12/15/1999.
Application Deadline: 01/15/2000.
Projected Award Date: 04/01/2000.

Authorization

Social Security Act, Title V, 42 U.S.C. 701

Purpose

The Health and Welfare Technical Advisory Group is intended to: promote communication among State-level program directors in the areas of maternal and child health, Medicaid, Child Care, Child Welfare, Mental Health, and Head Start and their Federal counterparts; to collaborate on approaches to address family health and welfare issues; identify Federal and/or State actions which inhibit a coherent approach to meeting family health and welfare needs; and promote mechanisms to improve functioning across programs. These purposes are to be accomplished through development of an ongoing forum of representatives of these programs and a mechanism to provide information to and receive information from all State program directors. Specific topics of concern will be jointly selected. Items of particular concern to HRSA include child care, oral health, and school health issues.

Eligibility

42 CFR Part 51a.3*

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

A funding preference will be given to any organization which can demonstrate a linkage with at least one and preferably more than one of the organizations representing the State-level programs listed in the Purpose section.

REview Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of this Competition

\$200,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

1.

Estimated Project Period

2 years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Healthy Child Care America State Systems Development Grants

CFDA Number: 93.110AQ.
Application Availability: 11/01/1999.

To Obtain this Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Letter of Intent Deadline: 01/10/2000.
Application Deadline: 03/08/2000.

Projected Award Date: 06/01/2000.

Authorization

Social Security Act, Title V, 42 U.S.C. 701.

Purpose

MCHB is currently funding 51 State Health Systems Development in Child Care-Healthy Child Care America (HSDCC) Grants. These grants were awarded in FY 1996 and are serving as State focal points for health and safety in child care, and are developing integrated health, child care and social service systems in their respective States. They are instituting measures to both improve the quality of child care and assure that children in child care settings receive the health services which they need. Building upon MCHB's investment, and based upon State Title V and Child Care program suggestions, a Phase II is planned. Healthy Child Care America-the Year 2000 Quality Initiative will focus on the development and implementation of State programs which address quality assurance (improved State regulations); infrastructure building (networks of child care health consultants); and outreach (related to Medicaid and CHIP).

Eligibility

42 CFR Part 51a.3*

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

A preference will be given to State and/or private nonprofit health or child care entities which can carry out programmatic expectations in relation to quality assurance, infrastructure development and outreach on a statewide basis. The current grants will apply vis-a-vis a limited competition. In addition, an entity from the States of New Jersey and Mississippi will be asked to apply.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of this Competition

\$3,842,500.

Estimated number of Awards

1 per 53 States/Territories.

Estimated Project Period

3 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Community Integrated Service Systems (CISS) Community Organization Grants Program

CFDA Number: 93.110AR.

Application Availability: 01/10/2000.

To Obtain This Application Kit

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After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Letter of Intent Deadline: 02/08/2000.

Application Deadline: 03/10/2000.

Projected Award Date: 05/01/2000.

Authorization

Social Security Act, Title V, 42 U.S.C. 701.

Purpose

The CISS program is designed to enhance the development of service systems at the community level to address the physical, psychological, social well-being, and related needs of pregnant women, infants, and children, including children with special health care needs and their families. CISS programs should be designed to assist communities to better meet consumer identified needs, fill gaps in services, reduce duplication of effort, coordinate activities, increase availability of services, improve efficiency, and enhance quality of care. Programs must be developed in collaboration and coordination with the State MCH Services Block Grant programs and State efforts in community systems development.

Eligibility

42 CFR Part 51a.3*

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

In keeping with the goals of advancing the development of human potential, strengthening the Nation's capacity to provide high quality education by broadening participation in MCHB programs of institutions that may have perspectives uniquely reflecting the Nation's cultural and linguistic diversity, and increasing opportunities for all Americans to participate in and benefit from Federal public health programs, HRSA will place a funding priority on projects from Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) or Hispanic Serving Institutions (HSI) in all categories and subcategories in this notice for which applications from academic institutions are encouraged. This is in conformity with the Federal Government's policies in support of White House Initiatives on Historically

Black Colleges and Universities (Executive Order 12876) and Educational Excellence for Hispanic Americans (Executive Order 12900).

An approved proposal from an HBCU or HSI will receive a 0.5 point favorable adjustment of the priority score in a 4 point range before funding decisions are made.

Special Considerations

In the interest of equitable geographic distribution, special consideration for funding will be given to projects from communities without a currently funded CISS project.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of this Competition

\$1,250,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

25.

Estimated Project Period

3 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Universal Newborn Hearing Screening

CFDA Number: 93.110ZZ.

Application Availability: 11/15/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Letter of Intent Deadline: 12/15/1999.

Application Deadline: 01/15/2000.

Projected Award Date: 04/01/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title III, Section 301, 42 U.S.C. 241.

Purpose

This program will fund: (1) Grants to States for the implementation of universal newborn hearing screening prior to hospital discharge with linkage to a medical home, and diagnostic evaluation and enrollment in a program of early intervention by 6 months of age for those infants identified with hearing loss. Applicants should describe relationships with both the Title V programs and the Early Intervention Program (Part C of IDEA) as well as systems for data collection and tracking of infants identified with hearing loss.

Applicants should also describe mechanisms to assure sustainability of the program by engaging public and private payors and implementation of a fee for service plan. (2) One grant to an organization to provide technical assistance to States on a nationwide basis in the implementation of statewide universal newborn hearing screening, diagnosis and entry into early intervention.

States where newborn hearing screening is not being carried out at the present time may submit a plan for phase-in of statewide universal newborn screening to be completed by the end of year three of a four year project period.

Funding is contingent upon the availability of funds.

Eligibility

42 CFR Part 51a.3*

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

A funding preference, for the national technical assistance award, will be given to an organization with demonstrated capability and experience in this area.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of this Competition

\$4,000,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

30.

Estimated Project Period

4 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC), Implementation Grants

CFDA Number: 93.127A.

Application Availability: 09/01/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Letter of Intent Deadline: 09/30/1999.

Application Deadline: 11/01/1999.

Projected Award Date: 03/01/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title XIX, Section 1910, 42 U.S.C. 300w-9.

Purpose

Implementation grants will improve the capacity of a State's EMS program to address the particular needs of children. Implementation grants are used to assist States in integrating research-based knowledge and state-of-the-art systems development approaches into the existing State EMS, MCH, and CSHCN systems, using the experience and products of previous EMSC grantees. Applicants are encouraged to consider activities that: (1) Address identified needs within their State EMS system and that lay the groundwork for permanent changes in that system; (2) develop or monitor pediatric EMS capacity; and (3) will be institutionalized within the State EMS system.

Eligibility

States and accredited schools of medicine are eligible applicants.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

None.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition

\$500,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

2.

Estimated Project Period

3 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC), Partnership Grants

CFDA Number: 93.127C.

Application Availability: 09/01/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Letter of Intent Deadline: 09/30/1999.

Application Deadline: 11/15/1999.

Projected Award Date: 03/01/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title XIX, Section 1910, 42 U.S.C. 300w-9.

Purpose

State partnership grants will fund activities that represent the next logical

step or steps to take to institutionalize EMSC within EMS and to continue to improve and refine EMSC. Proposed activities should be consistent with documented needs in the State and should reflect a logical progression in enhancing pediatric capabilities. For example, funding might be used to address problems identified in the course of a previous implementation grant; to increase the involvement of families in EMSC; to improve linkages between local, regional, or State agencies; to promulgate standards developed for one region of the State under previous funding to include the entire State; to devise a plan for coordinating and funding poison control centers; or to assure effective field triage of the child in physical or emotional crisis to appropriate facilities and/or other resources.

Eligibility

States and accredited schools of medicine are eligible applicants.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

None.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition

\$1,900,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

19.

Estimated Project Period

3 Years.

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Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC), Targeted Issue Grants

CFDA Number: 93.127D.

Application Availability: 09/01/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Letter of Intent Deadline: 09/30/1999.

Application Deadline: 11/01/1999.

Projected Award Date: 03/01/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title XIX, Section 1910, 42 U.S.C. 300w-9.

Purpose

Targeted issue grants are intended to address specific, focused issues related to the development of EMSC knowledge and capacity with the intent of advancing the state-of-the-art, and creating tools or knowledge that will be helpful nationally. Proposals must have well-conceived methodology for analysis and evaluation. Targeted issue priorities have been identified based on the EMSC Five Year Plan. The targeted issue priorities are: cost-benefit analysis related to EMSC, implications of managed care for EMSC, evaluations of EMSC components, models for improving the care of culturally distinct populations, evaluation of systems for provision of emergency health care within day care and/or school settings, and evaluation of family-centered care models. Proposals may be submitted on emerging issues that are not included in the identified priorities. However, any such proposal must demonstrate relevance to the Plan and must make a persuasive argument that the issue is particularly critical.

Eligibility

States and accredited schools of medicine are eligible applicants.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

None.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition

\$450,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

3.

Estimated Project Period

2 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC), Native American Project

CFDA Number: 93.127G.

Application Availability: 10/01/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Application Deadline: 11/01/1999.

Projected Award Date: 12/01/1999.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title XIX, Section 1910, 42 U.S.C. 300w-9.

Purpose

Project will stimulate the development and enhancement of EMSC for Native Hawaiians.

Applicants are encouraged to consider activities that: (a) Identify needs of Native Hawaiian populations; (b) develop or monitor pediatric EMS capability, especially as it relates to provisions of services to isolated populations; and (c) develop and evaluate special projects designed to address problems related to emergency medical care for Native Hawaiian and Alaska Native populations, including prevention, prehospital care, hospital services, rehabilitation, and linkages with primary care.

Eligibility

States and accredited schools of medicine are eligible applicants.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Competition is limited to the State of Hawaii.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition

\$250,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

1.

Estimated Project Period

2 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI), State Implementation Grants.

CFDA Number: 93.234A.

Application Availability: 09/01/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Letter of Intent Deadline: 11/01/1999.

Application Deadline: 12/01/1999.

Projected Award Date: 04/01/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title XII, Section 1242, 42 U.S.C. 300d-42.

Purpose

The purpose of this grant program is to improve health and other services for people who have sustained a traumatic brain injury (TBI). Implementation grants provide funding to assist States in moving toward statewide systems that assure access to comprehensive and coordinated TBI services.

Eligibility

State governments are eligible applicants.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

None.

Matching Requirement

The State is required to contribute, in cash, not less than \$1 for each \$2 of Federal funds provided under the grant.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition

\$1,200,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

6.

Estimated Project Period

3 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI), State Planning Grants

CFDA Number: 93.234B.

Application Availability: 09/01/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Letter of Intent Deadline: 11/01/1999.

Application Deadline: 12/01/1999.

Projected Award Date: 04/01/2000

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title XII, Section 1242, 42 U.S.C. 300d-42.

Purpose

The purpose of this grant program is to improve health and other services for people who have sustained a traumatic brain injury (TBI). Implementation grants provide funding to assist States in moving toward statewide systems that assure access to comprehensive and coordinated TBI services.

Eligibility

State governments are eligible applicants.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

None

Matching Requirement

The State is required to contribute, in cash, not less than \$1 for each \$2 of Federal funds provided under the grant.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition

\$300,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

4.

Estimated Project Period

2 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Healthy Start: Eliminating Disparities in Perinatal Health

CFDA Number: 93.926E.

Application Availability: 12/21/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Letter of Intent Deadline: 01/28/2000.

Application Deadline: 03/01/2000.

Projected Award Date: 06/01/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title III, Section 301, 42 U.S.C. 241.

Purpose

To enhance a community's service system to address significant disparities in perinatal health indicators. Funding would be made available for up to 15 community projects which have: (1) Significant infant mortality and morbidity rates among one or more subpopulations; (2) existing active consortia of stakeholders with over one year's experience in infant mortality reduction initiatives; and (3) a feasible plan to reduce barriers, improve the local perinatal system of care, and work towards eliminating existing disparities in perinatal health. These sites must have or plan to implement/adapt Healthy Start models of consortium, case management, outreach and

enhanced clinical services. In addition, they must demonstrate established linkages with key State and local services and resource systems such as Title V, Title XIX, Title XXI, WIC, Enterprise Communities/Empowerment Zones, federally-funded Community and Migrant Health Centers, and Indian/Tribal Health Services. For this competition, "community" is broadly defined so that a statewide or multi-county project serving racial/ethnic groups (e.g., Hmong, Mexican Hispanics, African American, etc.) would be eligible.

Eligibility

Public or nonprofit organizations are eligible to apply.

Estimated Amount of This Competition
\$14,800,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

Up to 15.

Estimated Project Period

4 Years.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Preference will be given to: (1) Past (FY 1999) projects of HSI-Infrastructure/Capacity Building grants, and (2) communities in States and territories which do not have a currently federally-funded Healthy Start project. Priority will be given to: (1) Communities with significant racial/ethnic disparities in perinatal indicators for three years (1995–1997); (2) border communities (within 62 miles of the Mexican border); and (3) proposals with emphasis/specific activities addressing qualitative issues (e.g., social/economic, violence, psychological services) for its perinatal populations.

Special Considerations

Current Healthy Start implementation grantees are not eligible to apply.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

For Programmatic Questions

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Healthy Start: Infrastructure/Capacity Building Projects

CFDA Number: 93.926F.
Application Availability: 01/04/2000.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1–888–333–HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1–877–HRSA (4772)–123.

Letter of Intent Deadline: 02/28/2000.

Application Deadline: 03/15/2000.

Projected Award Date: 06/01/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title III, Section 301, 42 U.S.C. 241.

Purpose

The purpose of this program is to build infrastructure/capacity in targeted communities/areas of the State where racial disparities in perinatal indicators exist, including among Hispanics, American Indians, African Americans, Alaska Natives, Asian/Pacific Islanders, immigrant populations, particularly those living in border counties. Funding would be made available to up to 15 communities to support the development of local plans to fill gaps in/or expand data systems to identify and monitor perinatal outcomes, train personnel and strengthen local reporting systems, establish networks and links to other systems, assist in needs assessment, and consortium/coalition development.

Eligibility

Public or nonprofit organizations are eligible to apply.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Preference will be given to communities in States and territories which do not have a current federally-funded Healthy Start project. Priority will be given to: (1) Communities with significant racial/ethnic disparities in perinatal indicators for three years (1995–1997); (2) States with (national) border communities; and (3) communities applying as or on behalf of an existing community-based consortium which have infant mortality reduction initiatives already underway.

Special Considerations

Current Healthy Start implementation grantees are not eligible to apply.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition
\$2,250,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

Up to 15.

Estimated Project Period

2 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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National Fetal and Infant Mortality Review (FIMR) Resource Center

CFDA Number: 93.926H.

Application Availability: 01/24/2000.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1–888–333–HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1–877–HRSA (4772)–123.

Letter of Intent Deadline: 02/28/2000.

Application Deadline: 04/01/2000.

Projected Award Date: 07/01/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title III, Section 301, 42 U.S.C. 241.

Purpose

The purpose of the resource center is to provide technical support to States and communities, particularly Healthy Start communities, as they develop and implement the community-based fetal and infant mortality review process. The resource center will be responsible for working with the MCHB to promote the FIMR process, provide assistance to communities setting up the process, share pertinent information among communities and States, develop refinements and new approaches to the FIMR process to make it more responsive and efficient, and expand the use of FIMR as a needs assessment and quality improvement tool to build capacity in the State Title V program.

Eligibility

Any public or private entity, including an Indian tribe or tribal organization (as defined at 25 U.S.C. 405b), is eligible to apply.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Preference will be given to national organizations with expertise in the provision of FIMR training and technical assistance and with an existing infrastructure to respond to requests for technical assistance, technology transfer and information sharing from States and communities that are developing, coordinating and/or sustaining FIMRs.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition
\$500,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

1.

Estimated Project Period

5 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Maternal and Child Health Provider Partnerships

CFDA Number: 93.926I.
Application Availability: 01/03/2000.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.
After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.
Letter of Intent Deadline: 02/07/2000.
Application Deadline: 03/03/2000.
Projected Award Date: 06/01/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title III, Section 301, 42 U.S.C. 241.

Purpose

This program will support Cooperative Agreements with MCH providers' membership organizations to advance the field of perinatal and women's health and ultimately improve the health status of women through improved health care services and systems. The Partners will be expected to identify relevant needs in perinatal and women's health from their perspective, develop and/or implement organizational and collective strategies, and facilitate information sharing and communication within the field. Particular attention of the Partnership will be to address health promotion/risk reduction behaviors among women through coordinated and culturally competent services and systems of care. Projects will cooperate and work collaboratively with each other and with other MCHB funded projects in perinatal and women's health.

Eligibility

Any public or private entity, including an Indian tribe or tribal organization (as defined at 25 U.S.C. 405b), is eligible to apply.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Preference will be given to national membership organizations representing providers of obstetrical, gynecological, and general women's health services.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition

\$400,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

2.

Estimated Project Period

3 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Improving Systems of Care for Pregnant Women Experiencing Domestic Violence

CFDA Number: 93.926J.
Application Availability: 12/03/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.
After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.
Letter of Intent Deadline: 01/14/2000.
Application Deadline: 02/11/2000.
Projected Award Date: 05/01/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title III, Section 301, 42 U.S.C. 241.

Purpose

This three year demonstration program will develop/enhance systems of care that identify pregnant women who are experiencing domestic violence/abuse and provide appropriate information, referrals, and linkages to interventions.

Eligibility

Any public or private entity, including an Indian tribe or tribal organization (as defined at 25 U.S.C. 405b), is eligible to apply.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Preference will be given to State/Territorial MCH Title V Agencies, tribal health agencies or their designees.

Special Consideration

There may be only one application per State.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition

\$600,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

4.

Estimated Project Period

3 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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HIV/AIDS Programs

Grants Management Office: 1-301-443-2280.

Special Projects of National Significance (SPNS)

CFDA Number: 93.928.
Application Availability: 04/01/2000.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.
After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.
Application Deadline: 06/01/2000.
Projected Award Date: 09/15/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title XXVI, Section 2691, as amended by the Ryan White Care Act Amendments of 1996, Public Law 104-146, 42 U.S.C. 300ff-10

Purpose

Development, demonstration and assessment of innovative and potentially replicable HIV service delivery models that address a continually changing epidemic, the quality of emerging HIV therapies, changes in the economies of health care affecting HIV care networks, and interventions that can document outcomes.

Eligibility

Public and nonprofit entities are eligible to apply.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

None.

Special Considerations

Special consideration will be given to certain populations referenced in the statute: Native Americans, the homeless, adolescents, hemophiliacs, and the incarcerated.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition

\$1,500,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

5-6.

Estimated Project Period

2-5 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Ryan White Title III Funding for Early Intervention Services Grants: Existing Geographic Areas

CFDA Number: 93.918A.

Application Availability: 06/18/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Application Deadline: 10/01/1999.

Projected Award Date: 01/01/2000 and 06/30/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title XXVI, Part C, Section 2641, as amended by the Ryan White Care Act Amendments of 1996, Public Law 104-146, 42 U.S.C. 300ff-41.

Purpose

The purpose of Title III funding is to provide, on an outpatient basis, high quality early intervention services/primary care to individuals with HIV infection. This is accomplished by increasing the present capacity and capability of eligible ambulatory health service entities. These expanded services become a part of a continuum of HIV prevention and care for individuals who are at risk for HIV infection or are HIV infected. All Title III programs must provide: HIV counseling and testing; counseling and education on living with HIV; appropriate medical evaluation and clinical care; and other essential services such as oral health care, outpatient mental health services and nutritional services, and appropriate referrals for specialty services.

Eligibility

Eligible applicants are public or nonprofit private entities that are Section 330 Health Centers, grantees funded under Section 1001 regarding Family Planning, Comprehensive Hemophilia Diagnostic and Treatment Centers, Federally Qualified Health Centers, or nonprofit private entities that provide comprehensive primary care services to populations at risk of HIV disease.

Limited Competition

Eligible applicants are public or nonprofit private entities that are currently funded Title III programs whose project periods expire in FY 2000 and new organizations proposing to serve the same populations currently being served by these existing projects. These areas are:

State	Areas
AL	Jefferson County, Mobile County.
AZ	Pima County.
CA	Los Angeles County, San Diego County, Mendocino County, Sonoma County, Santa Barbara County.
CO	Denver County.
CT	New Haven County.
DC	Washington.
DE	Counties statewide.
FL	Dade County.
GA	Counties of Baker, Calhoun, Dougherty, Lee, Mitchell, Worthly, Terrell, Colquitt, Thomas, Grady, Seminole, Miller, Early, Decatur, Counties of Glynn, Camden, McIntosh, Long, Liberty, Bryan.
IA	Woodbury County.
IL	Counties of Peoria, Taylwell, McLean, Fulton, Know, Bureau, Henry, Marshall, Putnam, Woodford, Schuyler, McDonough, LaSalle, Livingston, Mason, Warren, Stark, Cook County.
LA	Parishes of Calcasieu, Cameron, Beauregard, Jeff Davis, Allen, Parishes of Orleans, Jefferson, East Baton Rouge, St. Tammany, Washington, Iberville, St. Bernard.
MA	Middlesex County, Suffolk County, Essex County.
MD	Counties of Harford, Carroll, Dorchester, Caroline, Talbot, Cecil, Baltimore, Anne Arundel, Frederick, Howard, Montgomery, Baltimore City.
MI	Counties of Washtenaw, Livingston, Jackson, Wayne, Lenawee, Oakland, Macomb, St. Claire, Monroe, Counties of Ionia, Kent, Manistee, Mason, Mecosta, Muskegon, Newaygo, Oceana, Ottawa.
MO	Counties of North, South, West and St. Louis City.
MS	Counties of Coahoma, Tate, Tallahatchie, Leflore, Lowdens, Bolivar, Tunica, Quitman, Panola, Desoto, Marshall.
NJ	Counties of Essex, Union, Hudson, Bergen, Passaic, Morris, Middlesex County, Mercer County, Hudson County.
NY	Counties of Ulster, Dutchess, Orange, Sullivan, New York City, Westchester County, Suffolk County.
OH	Ross County.
OR	Counties of Multnomah, Clackamas, Washington, Yamhill, Columbia.
OK	Oklahoma County.
PA	Philadelphia County.
PR	Territory of Puerto Rico.
SC	Counties of Richland, Sumter, Fairfield.
TX	El Paso County, Counties of Willacy, Cameron, Hidalgo.
VA	Counties of Fairfax, Prince William, Loudoun.
WA	King County, Yakima County.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

None.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition
\$29,866,051.

Estimated Number of Awards
69.

Estimated Project Period
3 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Ryan White Title III Funding for Early Intervention Services Grants: New Geographic Areas

CFDA Number: 93.918B.

Application Availability: 04/17/2000.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Application Deadline: 07/17/2000.

Projected Award Date: 09/30/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title XXVI, Part C, Section 2641, as amended by the Ryan White Care Act Amendments of 1996, Public Law 104-146, 42 U.S.C. 300ff-41.

Purpose

The purpose of Title III funding is to provide, on an outpatient basis, high quality early intervention services/primary care to individuals with HIV infection. This is accomplished by increasing the present capacity and capability of eligible ambulatory health service entities. These expanded services become a part of a continuum of HIV prevention and care for individuals who are at risk for HIV infection or are HIV infected. All Title III programs must provide: HIV counseling and testing; counseling and education on living with HIV; appropriate medical evaluation and clinical care; and other essential services such as oral health care, outpatient mental health services and nutritional services, and appropriate referrals for specialty services.

Eligibility

Eligible applicants are public or nonprofit private entities that are Section 330 Health Centers, grantees funded under Section 1001 regarding Family Planning, Comprehensive

Hemophilia Diagnostic and Treatment Centers, federally Qualified Health Centers, or nonprofit private entities that provide comprehensive primary care services to populations at risk of HIV disease.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

In awarding these grants, preference will be given to approved/unfunded applicants who submitted an application for funding in FY 1999 and to applicants who previously received Title III planning grants. Preference for funding may also be given to applicants which help to achieve an equitable geographic distribution of programs across all States and Territories, especially programs that provide services in rural or underserved communities where the HIV/AIDS epidemic is increasing.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition

\$23,400,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

78.

Estimated Project Period

3 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Ryan White Title III HIV Funding for Early Intervention Services Planning Grants

CFDA Number: 93.918C.
Application Availability: 02/04/2000.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Application Deadline: 06/02/2000.
Projected Award Date: 09/30/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title XXVI, Part C, Section 2641, as amended by the Ryan White Care Act Amendments of 1996, Public Law 104-146, 42 U.S.C. 300ff-41.

Purpose

The purpose of this grant program is to support communities and health care service entities in their planning efforts to develop a high quality and broad scope of primary health care services for

people in their service areas who are living with HIV or at risk of infection. Applications must propose planning activities which will lead to the establishment of comprehensive outpatient HIV primary care services. This grant program supports activities of the planning process and does not fund any service delivery or patient care.

Eligibility

Eligible applicants must be public or nonprofit private entities that are, or intend to become, eligible to apply for the Title III Early Intervention Services grant.

Limited Competition

Applicants for these funds cannot be current Ryan White Title III Early Intervention Services Program grant recipients and must be located in rural or underserved communities where HIV primary health care resources remain insufficient to meet the need for services or plan for such services.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

In awarding these grants, preference will be given to applicants located in rural or underserved areas where emerging or ongoing HIV primary health care needs have not been adequately met.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition

\$1,234,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

24.

Estimated Project Period

1 Year.

For Programmatic Questions

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Ryan White Title III HIV Funding for Early Intervention Services Planning Grants

CFDA Number: 93.918D.
Application Availability: 02/04/2000.

To Obtain an Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Application Deadline: 06/02/2000.
Projected Award Date: 09/30/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title XXVI, Section 2641, as amended by the Ryan White Care Act Amendments of 1996, Public Law 104-146, 42 U.S.C. 300ff-41.

Purpose

The purpose of this grant program is to support communities and health care service entities in their planning efforts to develop a high quality and broad scope of primary health care services for people in their service areas who are living with HIV or at risk of infection. Applications must propose planning activities which will lead to the establishment of comprehensive outpatient HIV primary care services. This grant program supports activities of the planning process and does not fund any service delivery or patient care.

Eligibility

Eligible applicants must be public or nonprofit private entities that are, or intend to become, eligible to apply for the Title III Early Intervention Services grant.

Limited Competition

Applicants for these funds cannot be current Ryan White Title III Early Intervention Service Program grant recipients unless they propose to open a new site in their current service area or in a new service area to serve African American communities highly impacted by HIV/AIDS. Applicants must also be organizations indigenous to the African American community which is defined as a community-based or public organization local to and supported by the African American population proposed to be served.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

In awarding these grants, preference will be given to applicants located in rural or underserved areas where there are many HIV+ African Americans and ongoing HIV primary health care needs have not been adequately met. Preference will also be given to applicants that are not currently Ryan White Title III Early Intervention Service Program grant recipients.

Special Considerations

Building HIV primary care capacity of indigenous organizations serving African American communities.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition

\$3,000,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

Up to 60.

Estimated Project Period

Up to 2 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Ryan White Title IV: Existing Geographic Areas

CFDA Number: 93.153A.

Application Availability: 12/13/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Letter of Intent Deadline: 1/31/2000.

Application Deadline: 3/01/2000.

Projected Award Date: 8/01/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title XXVI, Section 2671, 42 U.S.C. 300ff-71.

Purpose

The purpose of the Title IV funding is to improve access to primary medical care, research, and support services for children, youth, women and families infected with HIV. Funded projects will link clinical research and other research with comprehensive care systems and improve and expand the coordination of a system of comprehensive care for women, infants, children and youth who are infected/affected by HIV. Funds will be used to support programs that: (1) Cross established systems of care to coordinate service delivery, HIV prevention efforts, and clinical research and other research activities; and (2) address the intensity of service needs, high costs, and other complex barriers to comprehensive care and research experienced by underserved at-risk and limited populations. Activities under these grants should address the goals of enrolling and maintaining clients in HIV primary care; increase client access to research by linking development and support of comprehensive, community-based and family centered care infrastructures, and emphasize prevention within the care system, particularly the prevention of perinatal HIV transmission.

Eligibility

Eligible organizations are public or private nonprofit entities that provide or arrange for primary care.

Limited Competition

Applicants are limited to currently funded Title IV programs whose project periods expire in FY 2000 and new organizations proposing to serve the same populations currently being served by these existing projects. These areas are:

State	Areas
CA	Oakland.
FL	Miami, Fort Lauderdale.
IL	Chicago.
LA	New Orleans.
MA	Boston, Holyoke, Brockton, Lowell, Lawrence, New Bedford.
NJ	Statewide.
NY	Northern Manhattan.
OH	Columbus.
PR	Statewide.
RI	Statewide.
TX	Fort Worth, Houston, San Antonio.
WA	Seattle.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Preference for funding will be given to projects that support a comprehensive, coordinated system of HIV care serving children, youth, women and families and are linked with or have initiated activities to link with clinical trials or other research.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition

\$15,663,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

16.

Estimated Project Period

3 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Ryan White Title IV: New Geographic Areas

CFDA Number: 93.153B.

Application Availability: 12/13/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Letter of Intent Deadline: 01/31/2000.

Application Deadline: 03/01/2000.

Projected Award Date: 08/01/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Act, Title XXVI, Section 2671, 42 U.S.C. 300ff-71.

Purpose

Organizations should be able to demonstrate expertise in the coordination or provision of comprehensive medical and social services to children, youth, women and families. The purpose of the Title IV funding is to improve access to primary medical care, research and support services for children, youth, women and families infected with HIV. Funded projects will link clinical research and other research with comprehensive care systems and improve and expand the coordination of a system of comprehensive care for women, infants, children and youth who are infected/affected by HIV. Funds will be used to support programs that: (1) Cross established systems of care to coordinate service delivery, HIV prevention efforts, and clinical research and other research activities; and (2) address the intensity of service needs, high costs, and other complex barriers to comprehensive care and research experienced by underserved, at-risk and limited populations. Activities under these grants should address the goals of: enrolling and maintaining clients in HIV primary care; increasing client access to research by linking HIV/AIDS clinical research trials and activities with comprehensive care; fostering the development and support of comprehensive, community-based and family centered care infrastructures; and emphasizing prevention within the care system, particularly the prevention of perinatal HIV transmission.

Eligibility

Eligible organizations are public or private nonprofit entities that provide or arrange for primary care.

Limited Competition

Applicants are limited to geographic areas where the HIV/AIDS epidemic is increasing among women, children and adolescents and where other resources targeted to these populations are limited or non-existent. These grants are for geographic areas *not* listed below.

State	Areas
AL	Statewide.
AZ	Phoenix.
CA	San Francisco; La Jolla, Los Angeles.
CO	Denver.
CT	Bridgeport, New Haven, Stamford, Hartford.
DC	Statewide.
FL	Orlando; Jacksonville, Tampa.
MD	Statewide.
MI	Lansing.
MO	St. Louis.
NH	Statewide.

State	Areas
NV	Las Vegas.
NY	Elmhurst; New York City (except Northern Manhattan), Bronx, Brooklyn, Albany, Stonybrook.
NC	Charlotte; Washington.
PA	Philadelphia.
SC	Statewide.
TN	Memphis.
TX	Dallas.
WI	Milwaukee.

Note: Additional sites may be added to this list in FY 2000 after the HRSA Preview publication date. Be sure to use the list provided in your application kit for eligibility purposes.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Preference for funding may be given to applicants who help to achieve an equitable geographical distribution of programs across all States and Territories, especially programs that provide services in rural or underserved communities where the HIV/AIDS epidemic is increasing.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition
\$800,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

3.

Estimated Project Period

3 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Rural Health Programs

Grants Management Office: 1-301-594-4235.

Rural Health Research Centers

CFDA Number: 93.155.

Application Availability: 02/01/2000.

To Obtain an Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Letter of Intent Deadline: 04/01/2000.

Application Deadline: 05/01/2000.

Projected Award Date: 08/30/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title III, Section 301, 43 U.S.C. 241.

Purpose

The purpose of this program is to fund Rural Health Research Centers to conduct and disseminate policy relevant research on issues of multi-state and national significance in the area of rural health services. The centers study critical issues facing rural communities in their quest to secure adequate, affordable, high quality health services. Research findings are published in appropriate referred journals and disseminated to a national audience.

Eligibility

All public and private research oriented entities, both nonprofit and for-profit, are eligible to apply.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

None.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition
\$2,500,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

5.

Estimated Project Period

3 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Rural Health Outreach Grant

CFDA Number: 93.912A.

Application Availability: 08/01/1999.

To Obtain an Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Application Deadline: 11/01/1999.

Projected Award Date: 05/01/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title III, Section 330A, 42 U.S.C. 254c.

Purpose

The purpose of this grant program is to expand access to, coordinate, restrain the cost of, and improve the quality of essential health care services, including preventive and emergency services through the development of integrated health care delivery systems or networks in rural areas and regions. Funds are available for projects to support the direct delivery of health care and related services, to expand

existing services, or to enhance health service delivery through education, promotion, and prevention programs. The emphasis is on the actual delivery of specific services rather than the development of organizational capabilities. Projects may be carried out by networks of the same providers (e.g. all hospitals) or more diversified networks.

Eligibility

A rural public or nonprofit private organization, that is part of a network of at least three entities that support the delivery of health care services and will work together to complete the proposed project, is eligible to apply. The administrative headquarters of the organization must be located in a rural county or in a rural census tract of an urban county, or the applicant organization must be constituted exclusively to provide services to migrant and seasonal farmworkers in rural areas and supported under Section 330(g) of the Public Health Service (PHS) Act. Organizations that provide services to migrant and seasonal farmworkers in rural areas and are supported under Section 330(g) of the PHS Act are eligible regardless of the urban or rural location of the administrative headquarters.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Funding preference may be given to applicant networks that include: (1) A majority of the health care providers serving in the area or region to be served by the network; (2) any Federally Qualified Health Center, Rural Health Clinic, and local public health department serving in the area or region; (3) outpatient mental health providers serving in the area or region; or (4) appropriate social service providers, such as agencies on aging, school systems, and providers under the women, infants, and children (WIC) program, to improve access to and coordination of health care services.

Special Considerations

An applicant organization's central headquarters must be located in a rural area. (A list of eligible rural areas is included in the application kit.)

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition
\$10,000,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

50.

Estimated Project Period

3 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Rural Health Network Development

CFDA Number: 93.912B.
Application Availability: 08/01/1999.

To Obtain an Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.
After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.
Application Deadline: 11/08/1999.
Projected Award Date: 05/01/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title III, Section 330A, 42 U.S.C. 254c.

Purpose

The purpose of this program is to support the planning and development of vertically integrated health care networks in rural areas. Vertically integrated networks must be composed of three different types of providers. The emphasis of the program is on projects to develop the organizational capabilities of these networks. The network is a tool for overcoming the fragmentation of health care delivery services in rural areas. As such, the network provides a range of possibilities for structuring local delivery systems to meet health care needs of rural communities.

Eligibility

A rural public or nonprofit private organization that is or represents a network which includes three or more health care providers or other entities that provide or support the delivery of health care services is eligible to apply. The administrative headquarters of the organization must be located in a rural county or in a rural census tract of an urban county, or an organization constituted exclusively to provide services to migrant and seasonal farmworkers in rural areas and supported under Section 330(g) of the Public Health Service Act. These organizations are eligible regardless of the urban or rural location of the administrative headquarters.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

A funding preference may be given to applicant networks that include: (1) A majority of the health care providers serving in the area or region to be served by the network; (2) any Federally

Qualified Health Center, Rural Health Clinic, and local public health department serving in the area or region; (3) outpatient mental health providers serving in the area or region; or (4) appropriate social service providers, such as agencies on aging, school systems, and providers under the women, infants, and children (WIC) program to improve access to and coordination of health care services.

Special Considerations

An applicant organization's central headquarters must be located in a rural area. (A list of eligible rural areas is included in the application kit.)

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition

\$4,000,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

23.

Estimated Project Period

3 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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State Rural Hospital Flexibility Program

CFDA Number: 93.241.
Application Availability: 03/01/2000.

To Obtain an Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.
After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.
Application Deadline: 06/01/2000.
Projected Award Date: 08/31/2000.

Authorization

Social Security Act, Title XVIII, Section 1820, as amended by Public Law 105-33 Section 4201, 42 U.S.C. 1395I-4.

Purpose

The purpose of this grant program is to help States work with rural communities and hospitals to develop and implement a rural health plan, develop integrated networks of care, improve emergency medical services and designate critical access hospitals (CAHs).

Eligibility

Five States are eligible to apply: Connecticut, Delaware, Oregon, Pennsylvania and Utah. These are grants

to States and only one application will be accepted from each eligible State.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

None.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition

\$2,500,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

5.

Estimated Project Period

3 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Primary Health Care Programs

Grants Management Office: 1-301-594-4235.

Community and Migrant Health Centers

CFDA Number: 93.224 and 93.246.
Application Availability: Continuous.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.
After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.
Application Deadline: Varies.
Projected Award Date: Varies.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title III, Section 330, 42 U.S.C. 254b and 254b(g).

Purpose

The Community Health Center and Migrant Health Center (C/MHC) programs are designed to promote the development and operation of community-based primary health care service systems in medically underserved areas for medically underserved populations. It is the intent of HRSA to continue to support health services in these areas, given the unmet need inherent in their provision of services to medically underserved populations. HRSA is committed to 100 percent access to primary care services with zero percent health disparities for the underserved. HRSA will open competition for awards under Section 330 of the Public Health Service Act (U.S.C. 254b for CHCs and U.S.C. 254b(g) for MHCs) to support health services in the areas currently served by

these grants. Two hundred-twenty C/MCH grantees will reach the end of their project periods during FY 2000. Applications are due 120 days before the expiration date.

Eligibility

Applicants are limited to currently funded programs whose project periods expire during FY 2000 and new organizations proposing to serve the same populations currently being served by these existing programs.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

None.

Special Considerations

Communication with Field Office staff is essential for interested parties in deciding whether to pursue Federal funding as a C/MHC. Technical assistance and detailed information about each service area, such as census grants, can be obtained by contacting the HRSA Field Office.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition

\$220,000,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

220.

Estimated Project Period

1–5 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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City	State	Deadline
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HRSA Boston Field Office—(617) 565–1482

Boston	MA	12/31/1999
Hartford	CT	12/31/1999
Bridgeport	CT (2)	01/31/2000
New Haven	CT	03/31/2000
Worcester	MA	03/31/2000
Salem	MA	03/31/2000
Lowell	MA	03/31/2000
Mattapan	MA	03/31/2000
New Haven	CT	05/31/2000
Boston	MA	05/31/2000
Worthington	MA	05/31/2000
Worcester	MA	05/31/2000
North Quincy	MA	05/31/2000
New Bedford	MA	05/31/2000
Lawrence	MA	05/31/2000
Burlington	VT	06/30/2000
Middletown	CT	06/30/2000

HRSA New York Field Office—(212) 264–2664

New York	NY	11/30/1999
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City	State	Deadline
Newark	NJ	11/30/1999
White Plains	NY	11/30/1999
Brockport	NY	12/31/1999
Rushville	NY	12/31/1999
Brooklyn	NY	12/31/1999
Warrensburg	NY	12/31/1999
Rochester	NY	12/31/1999
Jersey City	NJ	01/31/2000
Bronx	NY	01/31/2000
Brooklyn	NY	01/31/2000
Naranjito	PR	05/31/2000
Schenectady	NY	05/31/2000
St. Thomas	VI (2)	05/31/2000
Arroyo	PR	06/30/2000
New York	NY	06/30/2000
Bronx	NY	06/30/2000

HRSA Philadelphia Field Office—(215) 861–4422

Baltimore	MD	11/30/1999
Hancock	MD	11/30/1999
McKees Rocks	PA	11/30/1999
Scranton	PA	11/30/1999
Scarbrough	WV	11/30/1999
Clay	WV	11/30/1999
Rock Cave	WV	11/30/1999
Arrington	VA	12/31/1999
Richmond	VA	12/31/1999
Fairmont	WV	01/31/2000
Saltville	VA	01/31/2000
Aylett	VA	01/31/2000
Bastian	VA	01/31/2000
Spencer	WV	01/31/2000
Chester	PA	01/31/2000
Harrisburg	PA	03/31/2000
New Canton	VA	03/31/2000
Beckley	WV	03/31/2000
Coalport	PA	03/31/2000
Onancock	VA	05/31/2000
Dungannon	VA	05/31/2000
Philadelphia	PA	05/31/2000
Baltimore	MD	05/31/2000
Laurel Fork	VA	05/31/2000
Man	WV	06/30/2000
Baltimore	MD	06/30/2000
Wilmington	DE	06/30/2000
Brandywine	MD	06/30/2000
Portsmouth	VA	06/30/2000

HRSA Atlanta Field Office—(404) 562–2996

Palatka	FL	11/30/1999
Savannah	GA	11/30/1999
Louisville	KY	11/30/1999
Manson	NC	11/30/1999
Orangeburg	SC	11/30/1999
Parrish	FL	11/30/1999
Mound Bayou	MS	11/30/1999
Kinston	NC	11/30/1999
Fellsmere	FL	12/31/1999
Lexington	KY	12/31/1999
Fort Myers	FL	12/31/1999
Savannah	TN	12/31/1999
Eutaw	AL	01/31/2000
Montgomery	AL	01/31/2000
Miami	FL (3)	01/31/2000
Jellico	TN	01/31/2000
Pearl	MS	01/31/2000
Rock Hill	SC	01/31/2000
Eastover	SC	01/31/2000
Covington	KY	01/31/2000
Trenton	GA	01/31/2000

City	State	Deadline
Liberty	MS	01/31/2000
Olanta	SC	01/31/2000
Laurel	MS	03/31/2000
Hendersonville	NC	03/31/2000
Columbia	SC	03/31/2000
Charleston	SC	03/31/2000
Tampa	FL	03/31/2000
Meridian	MS	03/31/2000
Conway	SC	03/31/2000
Washburn	TN	03/31/2000
Troy	AL	03/31/2000
Tallahassee	FL	03/31/2000
Atlanta	GA	05/31/2000
Durham	NC	05/31/2000
Memphis Hlth Ctr	TN	05/31/2000
Huntsville	TN	05/31/2000
Greenwood	SC	05/31/2000
Selma	AL	05/31/2000
Palmetto	GA	05/31/2000
Hollister	NC	05/31/2000
Roxboro	NC	05/31/2000
Mobile	AL	05/31/2000
Fayette	MS	05/31/2000
Shubuta	MS	05/31/2000
Jefferson	SC	05/31/2000
Bolivar	TN	06/30/2000
Greenville	KY	06/30/2000

HRSA Chicago Field Office—(312) 353–1715

Toledo	OH	11/31/1999
St. Paul	MN	11/31/1999
Indianapolis	IN	11/31/1999
Columbus	OH	11/31/1999
Cleveland	OH	12/31/1999
Chicago	IL	12/31/1999
East St. Louis	IL	12/31/1999
Lisbon	OH	12/31/1999
Moorhead	MN	01/31/2000
Anna	IL	01/31/2000
Kalamazoo	MI	01/31/2000
Traverse City	MI	03/31/2000
Wautoma	WI	03/31/2000
Fremont	OH	03/31/2000
Sterling	MI	03/31/2000
Temperence	MI	03/31/2000
Milwaukee	WI	03/31/2000
Lincoln	MI	05/31/2000
Grand Marais	MN	05/31/2000
Cook	MN	05/31/2000
Indianapolis	IN	06/30/2000
Cashton	WI	06/30/2000
Minneapolis	MN	06/30/2000
Waukegan	IL	06/30/2000
Beloit Area	WI	06/30/2000

HRSA Dallas Field Office—(214) 767–3872

De Leon	TX	11/30/1999
Augusta	AR	12/31/1999
Pecos	NM	12/31/1999
Pharr	TX	12/31/1999
Houston	TX	12/31/1999
Greenville	TX	01/31/2000
San Antonio	TX (2)	01/31/2000
Lake Charles	LA	01/31/2000
La Marque	TX	03/31/2000
Port Arthur	TX	03/31/2000
Laredo	TX	03/31/2000
Cotulla	TX	03/31/2000
San Antonio	TX	03/31/2000
Tulsa	OK	03/31/2000
Levelland	TX	05/31/2000

City	State	Deadline
New Iberia	LA	05/31/2000
Konawa	OK	05/31/2000
Baton Rouge	LA	05/31/2000
Newton	TX	05/31/2000
Benavides	TX	05/31/2000
El Rito	NM	06/30/2000

HRSA Kansas Field Office—(816) 426-5296

Richland	MO	11/30/1999
Junction City	KS	12/31/1999
Cape Girardeau	MO	12/31/1999
St. Louis	MO	01/31/2000
Omaha	NE	01/31/2000
New Madrid	MO	03/31/2000
Des Moines	IA	05/31/2000
Ellington	MO	05/31/2000
Topeka	KS	06/30/2000

HRSA Denver Field Office—(303) 844-3203

Lamar	CO	12/31/1999
Salt Lake City	UT	12/31/1999
Norwood	CO	01/31/2000
Butte	MT	01/31/2000
Isabel	SD	03/31/2000
Enterprise	UT	03/31/2000
Fort Lupton	CO	05/31/2000
Bicknell	UT	05/31/2000
Boulder	CO	06/30/2000

HRSA San Francisco Field Office—(415) 437-8090

San Fernando	CA	11/30/1999
Phoenix	AZ	11/30/1999
Madera	CA	11/30/1999
San Francisco	CA	12/31/1999
Union City	CA	12/31/1999
Salinas	CA	12/31/1999
Los Angeles	CA	12/31/1999
Arcata	CA	12/31/1999
Marana	AZ	12/31/1999
Las Vegas	NV	12/31/1999
Palikir	FM	12/31/1999
San Francisco	CA	01/31/2000
Porterville	CA	01/31/2000
Los Angeles	CA	01/31/2000
Alviso	CA	03/31/2000
San Francisco	CA	03/31/2000
Oakland	CA	03/31/2000
Ventura	CA	03/31/2000
Brawley	CA	05/31/2000
Olivehurst	CA	05/31/2000
Page	AZ	05/31/2000
Susanville	CA	05/31/2000
Nipomo	CA	05/31/2000
Santa Ana	CA	05/31/2000
San Joaquin	CA	06/30/2000
Ukiah	CA	06/30/2000
Reno	NV	06/30/2000
Redding	CA	06/30/2000
Elfrida	AZ	06/30/2000

HRSA Seattle Field Office—(206) 615-2491

Wenatchee	WA	03/31/2000
Seattle	WA	03/31/2000
Cornelius	OR	03/31/2000
Kent	WA	03/31/2000
Okanogan	WA	03/31/2000
Medford	OR	05/31/2000

City	State	Deadline
Glenns Ferry	ID	05/31/2000
Cave Junction	OR	06/30/2000
Plummer	ID	06/30/2000
Fairbanks	AK	06/30/2000
Tillamook	OR	06/30/2000

Health Care for the Homeless

CFDA Number: 93.151.

Application Availability: Continuous.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Application Deadline: Varies.

Projected Award Date: Varies.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title III, Section 330(h), 42 U.S.C. 254b(h).

Purpose

The Health Care for the Homeless (HCH) program is designed to increase the access of homeless populations to cost-effective, case managed, and integrated primary care and substance abuse services provided by existing community-based programs/providers. It is the intent of HRSA to continue to support health services to the homeless people in these areas/locations given the continued need for cost-effective, community-based primary care services. Thirty-four HCH grantees will reach the end of their project periods during FY 2000. Applications are due 120 days before the expiration date.

Eligibility

Applicants are limited to currently funded programs whose project periods expire during FY 2000 and new organizations proposing to serve the same populations currently being served by these existing programs.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

None.

Special Considerations

Communication with Field Office staff is essential for interested parties in deciding whether to pursue Federal funding an HCH. Technical assistance and detailed information about each service area, such as census grants, can be obtained by contacting the HRSA Field Office.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition

\$15,207,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

34.

Estimated Project Period

1-5 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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City	State	Deadline
HRSA Boston Field Office—(617) 565-1482		
Hartford	CT	12/31/1999
New Haven	CT	05/31/2000
Burlington	VT	06/30/2000

HRSA New York Field Office—(212) 264-2664

New York	NY	10/31/1999
Rochester	NY	10/31/1999
Camden	NJ	10/31/1999
White Plains	NY	11/30/1999
Jersey City	NJ	03/31/2000

HRSA Philadelphia Field Office—(215) 861-4422

Richmond	VA	10/31/1999
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HRSA Atlanta Field Office—(404) 562-2996

Miami	FL	10/31/1999
Tampa	FL	03/31/2000
Durham	NC	05/31/2000
Memphis	TN	05/31/2000

HRSA Chicago Field Office—(312) 353-1715

Grand Rapids	MI	10/31/1999
Evansville	IN	10/31/1999
Toledo	OH	11/30/1999
Indianapolis	IN	11/30/1999
Columbus	OH	11/30/1999
Kalamazoo	MI	01/31/2000

HRSA Dallas Field Office—(214) 767-3872

Tulsa	OK	03/31/2000
San Antonio	TX	03/31/2000

HRSA Kansas Field Office—(816) 426-5296

Omaha	NE	01/31/2000
Des Moines	IA	05/31/2000

HRSA Denver Field Office—(303) 844-3203

Salt Lake City	UT	10/31/1999
Cheyenne	WY	10/31/1999

HRSA San Francisco Field Office—(415) 437-8090

San Mateo	CA (2)	10/31/1999
San Fernando	CA	11/30/1999
Las Vegas	NV	12/31/1999
Alviso	CA	03/31/2000

City	State	Deadline
Nipomo	CA	05/31/2000
Reno	NV	06/30/2000

HRSA Seattle Field Office—(206) 615-2491

Seattle	WA	10/31/1999
Seattle	WA	03/31/2000

Public Housing Primary Care

CFDA Number: 93.927.

Application Availability: 06/01/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Application Deadline: 10/01/1999.

Projected Award Date: 02/01/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title III, Section 330(I), 42 U.S.C. 254D.

Purpose

The mission of the Public Housing Primary Care (PHPC) program is to increase access to comprehensive primary and preventive health care and to improve the physical, mental and economic well-being of public housing residents. The Bureau of Primary Health Care (BPHC) is opening competition for Federal funds to provide services to residents of public housing. The goal of this open competition is to provide the best possible health care services to residents of public housing, to ensure that Federal funds are utilized most effectively and efficiently, and to ensure that PHPC grantees are prepared and equipped to handle the challenges of the future. The three priorities for promoting access to primary care and improving the well being of residents of public housing are: resident involvement and participation in program development and implementation, innovative service delivery systems that address the special health needs of public housing residents, and collaborations with other health, education and community-based organizations. Central to the programs' past and future success is the commitment to the provision of health care that emphasizes improving the availability, accessibility, comprehensiveness, continuity and quality of health services to residents of public housing.

Eligibility

Public and private nonprofit organizations are eligible to apply.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Final administrative funding preferences are included in the application materials.

Special Considerations

Communication with Field Office staff is essential for interested parties in deciding whether to pursue Federal funding as a PHPC. Technical assistance and detailed information about each service area, such as census grants, can be obtained by contacting the HRSA Field Office.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition
\$11,000,000.

Estimated Number of Awards
20-25.

Estimated Project Period
1-5 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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State Primary Care Offices

CFDA Number: 93.130.

Application Availability: 10/01/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Application Deadline: 12/01/1999.

Projected Award Date: 04/01/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title III, Section 330, 42 U.S.C. 254b.

Purpose

The BPHC promotes partnerships with State Primary Care Offices (PCOs) to achieve the vision of 100 percent access to preventive and primary care services and zero percent health disparities in every community across this country. PCOs were established to improve primary care access of underserved and vulnerable populations in the State and enhance collaboration between the State, Federal, local, and private sector. PCOs are federally-supported entities within State government, located within the State health department, developed to implement a written primary care cooperative agreement within the State and Federal Government. PCOs have a

statewide perspective on the public and private infrastructure needed to support primary care for the underserved. The PCO is expected to collaborate with the PCA to assist BPHC-supported and other community-based primary care delivery sites to the maximum degree possible, directly and through their influence on State programs. The PCO is responsible for identifying and working with underserved communities/populations and for working with all types of primary care providers, regardless of whether they receive BPHC resources. The purpose of this grant program is to improve primary care access of underserved and vulnerable populations in the State, and reduce health disparities and enhance collaboration between the State, Federal, local, and private sector. They promote, build and support community-based systems of comprehensive preventive primary care.

Eligibility

The 50 States are eligible to apply, as well as U.S. territories.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

None.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition
\$10,500,000.

Estimated Number of Awards
52.

Estimated Project Period
5 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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State Primary Care Associations

CFDA Number: 93.129.

Application Availability: 10/01/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Application Deadline: 12/01/1999.

Projected Award Date: 04/01/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title III, Section 330, 42 U.S.C. 254b.

Purpose

The BPHC promotes partnerships with State/Regional Primary Care

Associations (PCAs) to achieve the vision of 100 percent access to preventive and primary care services and zero percent health disparities in every community across this country. PCAs are private, nonprofit membership associations that represent BPHC-supported programs and other community-based providers of preventive and primary care to the underserved. PCAs are supported by grants from the Bureau to provide direct technical assistance to Bureau-supported programs, as well as to other community-based providers with similar missions. The Bureau's partnership strategy between its HRSA Field Office, the Primary Care Association and Primary Care Organization is to mobilize resources and assure that people receive access to needed primary and preventive care. PCAs are membership organizations, including both BPHC-supported and other community-based providers, and they have distinct responsibilities to their members. PCAs are expected to represent BPHC-supported programs and practices, as well as Federally Qualified Health Center "Look-Alikes" in the State. PCAs are expected to have a membership policy open to all BPHC-supported entities, public as well as private nonprofit. PCAs are also strongly encouraged to have a membership policy that includes other entities with similar missions and governance. The purpose of this grant program is to increase access to preventive and primary care services and reduce health disparities in the State. Through support to PCAs, the Bureau provides direct assistance to Bureau-supported and other community-based providers to build and maintain primary care capacity in underserved communities with an inadequate supply of primary care providers. PCAs also help to facilitate, coordinate and develop BPHC relationships with States and organizations that represent State, community and national interests.

Eligibility

The 50 States are eligible to apply, as well as U.S. territories.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

None.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of this Competition
\$13,000,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

47.

Estimated Project Period

5 Years.

For Programmatic Questions.

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Grants to States for Loan Repayment Programs

CFDA Number: 93.165.
Application Availability: 01/03/2000.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.
After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.
Application Deadline: 05/01/2000.
Projected Award Date: 09/30/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title III, Section 338I, 42 U.S.C. 254Q-1.

Purpose

The purpose of these grant funds is to assist States in operating programs for the repayment of educational loans of health professionals in return for their practice in federally-designated Health Professional Shortage Areas to increase the availability of primary health services in health professional shortage areas.

Eligibility

Any State is eligible to apply for funding.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

None.

Special Considerations

States seeking support must provide adequate assurance that, with respect to the costs of making loan repayments under contracts with health professionals, the State will make available (directly or through donations from public or private entities) non-Federal contributions in cash in an amount equal to not less than \$1 for \$1 of Federal funds provided in the grant. In determining the amount of non-Federal contributions in cash that a State has to provide, no Federal funds may be used in the State's match.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition
\$3,000,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

8.

Estimated Project Period

3 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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City	State	Deadline
HRSA Boston Field Office—(617) 565-1482		
Boston	MA	08/31/2000
Concord	NH	08/31/2000
HRSA Atlanta Field Office—(404) 562-2996		
Tallahassee	FL	08/31/2000
HRSA Chicago Field Office—(312) 353-1715		
St. Paul	MN	08/31/2000
HRSA Kansas Field Office—(816) 426-5296		
Des Moines	IA	08/31/2000
HRSA San Francisco Field Office—(415) 437-8090		
Sacramento	CA	08/31/2000

Migrant Health Centers

CFDA Number: 93.246.
Application Availability: 11/01/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.
After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.
Application Deadline: 02/01/2000.
Projected Award Date: 05/01/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title III, Section 330, 42 U.S.C. 254b(k).

Purpose.

The Migrant Health Center program is designed to meet the total health and well-being of migrant and seasonal farmworkers, including the environmental/occupational health of this population. To this end, HRSA supports technical and non-financial assistance to federally-funded Migrant Health Centers to assist in this effort. It is the intent of HRSA to continue to support this technical assistance in the area of environmental/occupational health for migrant and seasonal farmworkers. HRSA will open competition for an award under Section 330 of the Public Health Service Act, 42 U.S.C. 254b(k) to support a cooperative

agreement which will address environmental/occupational health issues for this population.

Eligibility

Public and private nonprofit entities are eligible to apply.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

None.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition
\$45,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

1.

Estimated Project Period

1–5 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Health Professions Programs

Grants Management Office: 1–301–443–6960.

Academic Administrative Units in Primary Care (Family Medicine, General Internal Medicine/General Pediatrics)

CFDA Number: 93.984A.
Application Availability: 09/01/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1–888–333–HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1–877–HRSA (4772)–123.

Letter of Intent: 11/06/1999.
Application Deadline: 01/06/2000.
Projected Award Date: 09/30/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title VII, Section 747, 42 U.S.C. 293k.

Purpose

Title VII authorizes funds to establish or expand teaching capacity in family medicine, general internal medicine and general pediatrics. Grant support is awarded to meet the costs of projects to establish, maintain or improve academic administrative units (which may be departments, divisions, or other units) to provide clinical instruction in family medicine, general internal medicine, or general pediatrics. An academic unit in family medicine means a department or division of a school. Applications are being solicited for projects to address one or more of the following program

purposes: (1) Establishment of an academic unit, (2) expansion of an academic unit, and (3) research infrastructure development within the academic unit.

Eligibility

Public or private nonprofit accredited schools of allopathic medicine or osteopathic medicine are eligible to apply.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Statutory Funding Preference: As provided in Section 791(a) of the Public Health Service Act, preference will be given to any qualified applicant that: (A) Has a high rate for placing graduates in practice settings having the principal focus of serving residents of medically underserved communities; or (B) during the two-year period preceding the fiscal year for which such an award is sought, has achieved a significant increase in the rate of placing graduates in such settings. This statutory general preference will only be applied to applications that rank above the 20th percentile of applications recommended for approval by the peer review group.

A second preference is offered to qualified applicants for the establishment or the substantive expansion of an academic unit.

A priority will be available to those applicants that present collaborative projects between departments of primary care. The collaboration should involve the academic units of any two disciplines of family medicine, general internal medicine, and general pediatrics. There is a second priority (administrative) for establishment or expansion of research infrastructure proposals.

Special Considerations

Special consideration will be given to projects which prepare practitioners to care for underserved populations and other high risk groups such as the elderly, individuals with HIV/AIDS, substance abusers, homeless, and victims of domestic violence.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Family Medicine

Estimated Amount of This Competition
\$5,435,300.

Estimated Number of Awards

35.

Estimated Project Period

3 Years.

General Internal Medicine/General Pediatrics

Estimated Amount of This Competition
\$1,500,000.

Estimated Amount of Awards

10.

Estimated Project Period

3 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Technical Assistance Group Conference Calls: November 16, 1999 and November 18, 1999.

To participate call Mr. Lafayette Gilchrist at 1–301–443–1467. You may also fax the following information: name, title, institutional affiliation, telephone and fax numbers to 1–301–443–1945, or E-mail the program specialist at lgilchrist@hrsa.gov.

Predoctoral Training in Primary Care (Family Medicine, General Internal Medicine/General Pediatrics)

CFDA Number: 93.896A.
Application Availability: 08/06/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1–888–333–HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1–877–HRSA (4772)–123.

Letter of Intent Deadline: 10/15/1999.
Application Deadline: 11/29/1999.
Projected Award Date: 06/30/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title VII, Section 747, 42 U.S.C. 293k.

Purpose

Grants are awarded to assist schools of medicine or osteopathic medicine to promote predoctoral training. The program assists schools in meeting the costs of projects to plan, develop and operate or participate in an approved predoctoral training program in the field of family medicine, general internal medicine, and general pediatrics. Proposed projects should seek to expand and enhance the quality of predoctoral initiatives: (1) Innovation, (2) Comprehensive Models, and (3) Establishment and Expansion of Required Clerkships.

Eligibility

Any accredited public or nonprofit private school of allopathic medicine or osteopathic medicine is eligible to apply.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Statutory Funding Preference: As provided in Section 791(a) of the Public Health Service Act, preference will be given to any qualified applicant that: (A) Has a high rate for placing graduates in practice settings having the principal focus of serving residents of medically underserved communities; or (B) during the two-year period preceding the fiscal year for which such an award is sought, has achieved a significant increase in the rate of placing graduates in such settings. This statutory general preference will only be applied to applications that rank above the 20th percentile of applications recommended for approval by the peer review group.

Special Considerations

Special consideration will be given to projects which prepare practitioners to care for underserved populations and other high risk groups such as the elderly, individuals with HIV/AIDS, substance abusers, homeless, and victims of domestic violence.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Family Medicine

Estimated Amount of This Competition

\$5,435,300.

Estimated Number of Awards

35.

Estimated Project Period

3 Years.

General Internal Medicine/General Pediatrics

Estimated Amount of This Competition

\$750,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

5.

Estimated Project Period

3 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Technical Assistance Group

Conference Call: October 15, 1999 and October 20, 1999.

To participate call Ms. Betty Ball at 1-301-443-1467. You may also fax the following information: name, title, institutional affiliation, telephone and fax numbers to 1-301-443-1945, or E-mail the program specialist at bball@hrsa.gov.

Physician Assistant Training in Primary Care

CFDA Number: 93.886A.

Application Availability: 08/06/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Application Deadline: 11/15/1999.

Projected Award Date: 06/30/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title VII, Section 747, 42 U.S.C. 293k.

Purpose

Grants are awarded for projects for the training of physician assistants, and for the training of individuals who will teach in programs to provide such training. The program assists schools to meet the costs of projects to plan, develop and operate or maintain such programs.

Eligibility

Accredited schools of medicine, osteopathic medicine or other public or private nonprofit entities are eligible to apply. Eligible physician assistant programs are those which are either accredited by the American Medical Association's Committee on Allied Health Education and Accreditation (AMA-CAHEA) or its successor organization, the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP).

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Statutory Funding Preference: As provided in Section 791(a) of the Public Health Service Act, preference will be given to any qualified applicant that: (A) Has a high rate for placing graduates in practice settings having the principal focus of serving residents of medically underserved communities; or (B) during the two-year period preceding the fiscal year for which such an award is sought, has achieved a significant increase in the rate of placing graduates in such settings. This statutory general preference will only be applied to applications that rank above the 20th percentile of applications recommended for approval by the peer review group.

A priority will be offered to applicants that can demonstrate a record of training individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds (including racial/ethnic minorities under-represented in primary care practice).

Special Considerations

A special consideration will be given in awarding grants to projects which prepare practitioners to care for underserved populations and other high risk groups such as the elderly, individuals with HIV/AIDS, substance abusers, homeless, and victims of domestic violence.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition

\$2,872,340.

Estimated Number of Awards

19.

Estimated Project Period

3 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Technical Assistance Group

Conference Call: October 07, 1999. To participate call CAPT Ed Spirer, MSW, MPH at 1-301-443-1467. You may also fax the following information: name, title, institutional affiliation, telephone and fax numbers to 1-301-443-1945, or E-mail the program specialist at espirer@hrsa.gov.

Residency Training in Primary Care (Family Medicine, General Internal Medicine, General Pediatrics)

CFDA Number: 93.884A.

Application Availability: 08/06/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Application Deadline: 09/27/1999.

Projected Award Date: 06/30/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title VII, Section 747, 42 U.S.C. 293k

Purpose

Grants are awarded to assist graduate training programs in family medicine, general internal medicine and general pediatrics to expand and improve the quality of residency training programs that prepare graduates to enter primary care practice. Residency training programs should emphasize national innovations aimed at primary care residency education across disciplines.

Eligibility

Applicant must be an accredited public or private nonprofit school of allopathic medicine or osteopathic medicine or a public or private nonprofit hospital or other public or private nonprofit entity. Each allopathic program must be fully or provisionally accredited by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education. Each osteopathic program must be approved by the American Osteopathic Association.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Statutory Funding Preference: As provided in Section 791(a) of the Public Health Service Act, preference will be given to any qualified applicant that: (A) Has a high rate for placing graduates in practice settings having the principal focus of serving residents of medically underserved communities; or (B) during the two-year period preceding the fiscal year for which such an award is sought, has achieved a significant increase in the rate of placing graduates in such settings. This statutory general preference will only be applied to applications that rank above the 20th percentile of applications recommended for approval by the peer review group.

A funding priority will be made available for applicants that can demonstrate training the greatest percentage of providers or demonstrating significant improvements in the percentage of providers which enter and remain in primary care practice. A second priority will be offered to applicants who can demonstrate a record of training individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds (including racial/ethnic minorities, under-represented in primary care practice).

Special Considerations

Special consideration will be given to projects that prepare practitioners to care for underserved populations and other high risk groups (i.e., elderly, HIV, AIDS, substance abusers, homeless and victims of domestic violence).

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Family Medicine**Estimated Amount of This Competition**

\$5,435,300.

Estimated Number of Awards

34.

Estimated Project Period

3 Years.

General Internal Medicine/General Pediatrics**Estimated Amount of This Competition**

\$3,350,756.

Estimated Number of Awards

35.

Estimated Project Period

3 Years.

For Programmatic Questions**Family Medicine**

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General Internal Medicine/General Pediatrics

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Technical Assistance Group

Conference Call: August 24, 1999 and August 26, 1999. To participate call or e-mail Ms. Brenda Williamson or Ms. Ellie Grant by August 18 at phone and e-mail listed above. You may also fax the following information: name, title, institutional affiliation, telephone and fax numbers to 1-301-443-1945.

Faculty Development in Primary Care (Family Medicine, General Internal Medicine, General Pediatrics)

CFDA Number: 93.895A.

Application Availability: 08/06/1999

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Application Deadline: 10/22/1999.

Projected Award Date: 06/30/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title VII, Section 747, 42 U.S.C. 293k.

Purpose

Grants are awarded to plan, develop and operate a program for the training of physicians who plan to teach in family medicine (including geriatrics), general internal medicine, general pediatrics, and to provide financial assistance (in the form of traineeships and fellowships) to physicians who are participating in any such program.

Eligibility

Accredited schools of medicine or osteopathic medicine, public or private nonprofit hospitals, or other public or private nonprofit entities are eligible to apply.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Statutory Funding Preference: As provided in Section 791(a) of the Public Health Service Act, preference will be given to any qualified applicant that: (A) Has a high rate for placing graduates in practice settings having the principal focus of serving residents of medically underserved communities; or (B) during the two-year period preceding the fiscal year for which such an award is sought, has achieved a significant increase in the rate of placing graduates in such settings. This statutory general preference will only be applied to applications that rank above the 20th percentile of applications recommended for approval by the peer review group.

Special Considerations

Special consideration will be given to projects which prepare practitioners to care for underserved populations and other high risk groups such as the elderly, individuals with HIV/AIDS, substance abusers, homeless, and victims of domestic violence.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Family Medicine**Estimated Amount of this Competition**

\$5,435,366.

Estimated Number of Awards

38.

Estimated Project Period

3 Years.

General Internal Medicine/General Pediatrics**Estimated Amount of This Competition**

\$3,350,757.

Estimated Number of Awards

20.

Estimated Project Period

3 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Technical Assistance Group

Conference Call: September 10, 1999 and September 17, 1999. To participate call Ms. Elsie Quinones at 1-301-443-1467. You may also fax the following information: name, title, institutional affiliation, telephone and fax numbers to 1-301-443-1945, or E-mail the program specialist at equinones@hrsa.gov.

Podiatric Residency in Primary Care
CFDA Number: 93.181.
Application Availability: 08/06/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.
After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.
Application Deadline: 09/30/1999.
Projected Award Date: 06/30/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title VII, Section 755(b)(2), 42 U.S.C. 294e.

Purpose

Grants are awarded to plan and implement projects in preventive and primary care training for podiatric physicians in approved or provisionally approved residency programs that shall provide financial assistance in the form of traineeships to residents who participate in such projects and who plan to specialize in primary care.

Eligibility

Schools of podiatric medicine or public or private nonprofit hospitals or other appropriate public or private nonprofit entities are eligible to apply.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Statutory Funding Preference: As provided in Section 791(a) of the Public Health Service Act, preference will be given to any qualified applicant that: (A) Has a high rate for placing graduates in practice settings having the principal focus of serving residents of medically underserved communities; or (B) during the two-year period preceding the fiscal year for which such an award is sought, has achieved a significant increase in the rate of placing graduates in such settings. This statutory general preference will only be applied to applications that rank above the 20th percentile of applications recommended for approval by the peer review group.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition
 \$119,969.

Estimated Number of Awards
 2.

Estimated Project Period
 3 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Model State-Supported Area Health Education Centers

CFDA Number: 93.107.

Application Availability: 08/06/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.
After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.
Application Deadline: 01/14/2000.
Projected Award Date: 08/30/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title VII, Section 751, 42 U.S.C. 294A.

Purpose

The program assists schools to improve the distribution, supply, and quality of health personnel in the health services delivery system by encouraging the regionalization of health professions schools. Emphasis is placed on community-based training of primary care oriented students, residents, and providers. The Area Health Education Centers (AHEC) program assists schools in the development, and operation of AHECs to implement educational system incentives to attract and retain health care personnel in scarcity areas. By linking the academic resources of the university health science center with local planning, educational and clinical resources, the AHEC program establishes a network of health-related institutions to provide educational services to students, faculty and practitioners and ultimately to improve the delivery of health care in the service area. These programs are collaborative partnerships which address current health workforce needs within a region of a State or in an entire State.

Eligibility

The types of entities eligible to apply for this program include public or private nonprofit accredited schools of medicine and osteopathic medicine and incorporated consortia made up of such schools, or the parent institutions of such schools. Applicants must also have previously received funds, but are no longer receiving funds under Section 751(a)(1) of the Public Health Service Act, and are operating an AHEC program.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Statutory Funding Preference: As provided in Section 791(a) of the Public Health Service Act, preference will be given to any qualified applicant that: (A) Has a high rate for placing graduates in practice settings having the principal focus of serving residents of medically underserved communities; or (B) during the two-year period preceding the fiscal year for which an award is sought, has achieved a significant increase in the rate of placing graduates in such settings. This statutory general preference will only be applied to applications that rank above the 20th percentile of applications recommended for approval by the peer review group.

Funds shall be awarded to approved applicants in the following order: (1) Competing continuations, (2) new starts in States with no AHEC program, (3) other new starts, and (4) competing supplementals.

Matching Requirements

Awardees shall make available (directly or through contributions from State, county or municipal governments, or the private sector) recurring non-Federal contributions in cash in an amount not less than 50 percent of the operating costs of the Model State-Supported AHEC Program.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition
 \$2,000,000.

Estimated Number of Awards
 4.

Estimated Project Period
 3 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Basic/Core Area Health Education Centers

CFDA Number: 93.824.

Application Availability: 08/06/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.
After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.
Application Deadline: 01/14/2000.
Projected Award Date: 08/30/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title VII, Section 751, 42 U.S.C. 294A.

Purpose

Grants are awarded to assist schools to improve the distribution, supply and quality of health personnel in the health services delivery system by encouraging the regionalization of health professions schools. Emphasis is placed on community-based training of primary care oriented students, residents, and providers. The Area Health Education Centers (AHEC) program assists schools in the planning, development and operation of AHECs to initiate education system incentives to attract and retain health care personnel in scarcity areas. By linking the academic resources of the university health sciences center with local planning, educational and clinical resources, the AHEC program establishes a network of community-based training sites to provide educational services to students, faculty and practitioners in underserved areas and ultimately, to improve the delivery of health care in the service area. The program embraces the goal of increasing the number of health professions graduates who ultimately will practice in underserved areas.

Eligibility

The types of entities eligible to apply for this program include public or private nonprofit accredited schools of medicine and osteopathic medicine and incorporated consortia made up of such schools, or the parent institutions of such schools. Also, in States in which no AHEC program is in operation, an accredited school of nursing is an eligible applicant.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Statutory Funding Preference: As provided in Section 791(a) of the Public Health Service Act, preference will be given to any qualified applicant that: (A) Has a high rate for placing graduates in practice settings having the principal focus of serving residents of medically underserved communities; or (B) during the two-year period preceding the fiscal year for which an award is sought, has achieved a significant increase in the rate of placing graduates in such settings. The statutory general preference will only be applied to applications that rank above the 20th percentile of applications recommended for approval by the peer review group.

Funds shall be awarded to approved applicants in the following order: (1) Competing continuations, (2) new starts in States with no AHEC program, (3)

other new starts, and (4) competing supplementals.

Matching Requirements

Awardees shall make available (directly or through contributions from State, county or municipal governments, or the private sector) non-Federal contributions in cash in an amount that is not less than 50 percent of the operating costs of the AHEC program except that the Secretary may grant a waiver for up to 75 percent of the amount required in the first 3 years in which an awardee receives funds under Section 751(a)(1) of the Public Health Service Act.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition
\$9,000,000.

Estimated Number of Awards
9.

Estimated Project Period
3 Years.

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Health Careers Opportunity Program (HCOP)

CFDA Number: 93.822.

Application Availability: 08/06/1999.

To Obtain An Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Application Deadline: 01/10/2000.

Projected Award Date: 08/02/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title VII, Section 739, 42 U.S.C. 293c.

Purpose

The goal of the Health Careers Opportunity Program (HCOP) is to assist individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds to undertake education to enter a health profession. The HCOP program works to build diversity in the health fields by providing students from disadvantaged backgrounds an opportunity to develop the skills needed to successfully compete, enter, and graduate from health professions schools. The legislative purposes from which HCOP funds may be awarded are:

(1) Identifying, recruiting, and selecting individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds for education and training in a health profession; (2) facilitating the entry of such individuals into such a school; (3) providing counseling, mentoring, or other services designed to assist such individuals to complete successfully their education at such a school; (4) providing, for a period prior to the entry of such individuals into the regular course of education of such a school, preliminary education and health research training designed to assist them to complete successfully such regular course of education at such a school, or referring such individuals to institutions providing such preliminary education; (5) publicizing existing sources of financial aid available to students in the education program of such a school or who are undertaking training necessary to qualify them to enroll in such a program; (6) paying scholarships, as the Secretary may determine, for such individuals for any period of health professions education at a health professions school; (7) paying such stipends for such individuals for any period of education in student-enhancement programs (other than regular courses), except that such a stipend may not be provided to an individual for more than 12 months and in an amount determined appropriate by the Secretary; (8) carrying out programs under which such individuals gain experience regarding a career in a field of primary health care through working at facilities of public or private nonprofit community-based providers of primary health services; or (9) conducting activities to develop a larger and more competitive applicant pool through partnerships with institutions of higher education, school districts, and other community-based entities.

Eligibility

Eligible applicants include accredited schools of medicine, osteopathic medicine, public health, dentistry, veterinary medicine, optometry, pharmacy, allied health, chiropractic, podiatric medicine, public and nonprofit private schools that offer graduate programs in behavioral and mental health, programs for the training of physician assistants, and other public or private nonprofit health or educational entities.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

A funding preference will be given to approved applications for programs that involve a comprehensive approach by several public or nonprofit private health or educational entities to

establish, enhance and expand educational programs that will result in the development of a competitive applicant pool of individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds who desire to pursue health professions careers. A comprehensive approach means a network of entities which are formally linked programmatically. The network must include a minimum of four entities: a health professions school, an undergraduate institution, a school district, and a community-based entity.

Up to one third of available competitive funds will be reserved for applicants with approved proposals who have not been funded during the previous three competitive cycles.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition
\$16,600,000.

Estimated Number of Awards
47.

Estimated Project Period
3 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Centers of Excellence

CFDA Number: 93.157.
Application Availability: 08/31/1999.

To Obtain an Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.
After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.
Application Deadline: 01/15/2000.
Projected Award Date: 06/01/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title VII, Section 736, 42 U.S.C. 293.

Purpose

The goal of this program is to assist eligible schools in supporting programs of excellence in health professions education for under-represented minority individuals. The grantee is required to use the funds awarded: (1) To develop a large competitive applicant pool through linkages with institutions of higher education, local school districts, and other community-based entities and establish an education pipeline for health professions careers; (2) to establish,

strengthen, or expand programs to enhance the academic performance of under-represented minority students attending the school; (3) to improve the capacity of such school to train, recruit, and retain under-represented minority faculty including the payment of stipends and fellowships; (4) to carry out activities to improve the information resources, clinical education, curricula and cultural competence of the graduates of the schools as it relates to minority health issues; (5) to facilitate faculty and student research on health issues particularly affecting under-represented minority groups, including research on issues relating to the delivery of health care; (6) to carry out a program to train students of the school in providing health services to a significant number of under-represented minority individuals through training provided to such students at community-based health facilities that provide such health services and are located at a site remote from the main site of the teaching facilities of the school; and (7) to provide stipends as appropriate.

Eligibility

Eligible applicants are: accredited schools of allopathic medicine, osteopathic medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, graduate programs in behavioral or mental health, or other public and nonprofit health or educational entities. Historically Black Colleges and Universities as described in Section 736(c)(2)(A) of the Public Health Service Act and which received a contract under Section 788B of the Public Health Service Act (Advanced Financial Distress Assistance) for fiscal year 1987 may apply for Centers of Excellence (COE) grants under Section 736 of the Public Health Service Act.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences
None.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition
\$20,100,000.

Estimated Number of Awards
16.

Estimated Project Period
3 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Allied Health Projects

CFDA Number: 93.191
Application Availability: 10/01/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Application Deadline: 02/22/2000.
Projected Award Date: 09/30/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title VII, Section 755, 42 U.S.C. 294e.

Purpose

Grants are awarded to assist eligible entities in meeting the costs associated with expanding or establishing programs that will: (1) Expand enrollments in allied health disciplines that are in short supply or whose services are most needed by the elderly; (2) provide rapid transition training programs in allied health fields to individuals who have baccalaureate degrees in health-related sciences; (3) establish community-based training programs that link academic centers to rural clinical settings; (4) provide career advancement training for practicing allied health professionals; (5) expand or establish clinical training sites for allied health professionals in medically underserved or rural communities in order to increase the number of individuals trained; (6) develop curriculum that will emphasize knowledge and practice in the areas of prevention and health promotion, geriatrics, long-term care, home health and hospice care, and ethics; (7) expand or establish interdisciplinary training programs that promote the effectiveness of allied health practitioners in geriatric assessment and the rehabilitation of the elderly; (8) expand or establish demonstration centers to emphasize innovative models to link allied health, clinical practice, education, and research; and (9) meet the costs of projects to plan, develop, and operate or maintain graduate programs in behavioral and mental health practice.

Eligibility

Eligible entities are health professions schools, academic health centers, State or local governments or other appropriate public or private nonprofit entities.

Eligible academic institutions shall also be required to use funds in collaboration with two or more disciplines.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Statutory Funding Preference: As provided in Section 791(a) of the Public Health Service Act, preference will be given to any qualified applicant that: (A) Has a high rate for placing graduates in practice settings having the focus of serving residents of medically underserved communities; or (B) during the two-year period preceding the fiscal year for which such an award is sought, has achieved a significant increase in the rate of placing graduates in such settings. This statutory general preference will only be applied to applications that rank above the 20th percentile of applications recommended for approval by the peer review group.

So that new applicants may compete equitably, a preference will be given to those new programs that meet at least four of the criteria described in Section 791(c)(3) of the Public Health Service Act concerning medically underserved communities and populations.

A funding priority will be given to qualified applicants who provide community-based training experiences designed to improve access to health care services in underserved areas. This will include being responsive to population groups addressed in the President's Executive Orders 12876, 12900 and 13021. These will include such applicants as Hispanic Serving Institutions, Historically Black Colleges and Universities, and Tribal Colleges and Universities serving Native Americans.

Special Considerations

Special consideration will be given to qualified applicants who support the "Kids Into Health Careers" initiative by establishing linkages with one or more elementary, middle or high schools with a high percentage of minority and disadvantaged students to: (1) Inform students and parents about health careers and financial aid to encourage interest in health careers; (2) promote rigorous academic course work to prepare for health professions training; or (3) provide support services such as mentoring, tutoring, counseling, after school programs, summer enrichment, and college visits.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition

\$1,104,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

10-12.

Estimated Project Period

3 Years.

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Residencies in the Practice of Pediatric Dentistry

CFDA Number: 93.897A.

Application Availability: 08/06/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Application Deadline: 11/01/1999.

Projected Award Date: 04/30/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title VII, Section 747(a)(6), 42 U.S.C. 293k.

Purpose

This program shall provide grants to assist schools in planning, developing, or operating programs, and to provide financial assistance to residents in such programs, of pediatric dentistry. This program places particular emphasis on support of applications which encourage: (1) Practice in underserved areas; (2) provision of a broad range of pediatric dental services; (3) coordination and integration of care; (4) meeting the needs of special populations; and (5) recruitment and retention of under-represented minorities.

Eligibility

To be eligible for a grant for residency training in the practice of pediatric dentistry, the applicant shall include entities that have programs in dental schools, approved residency programs in the pediatric practice of dentistry, approved advanced education programs in the pediatric practice of dentistry, or approved residency programs in pediatric dentistry.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Statutory Funding Preference: As provided in Section 791(a) of the Public Health Service Act, preference will be given to any qualified applicant that: (A) Has a high rate for placing graduates in practice settings and has the principal focus of serving residents of medically/dentally underserved communities; or (B) during the two-year period preceding the fiscal year for which an

award is sought, has achieved a significant increase in the rate of placing graduates in such settings. This statutory general preference will only be applied to applications that rank above the 20th percentile of applications recommended for approval by the peer review group.

Priority shall be given to qualified applicants that have a record of training the greatest percentage of providers or that have demonstrated significant improvements in the percentage of providers which enter and remain in pediatric dentistry.

Priority shall be given to qualified applicants that have a record of training individuals who are from disadvantaged backgrounds (including racial and ethnic minorities under-represented in pediatric dentistry).

Special Considerations

Special consideration will be given to projects that prepare practitioners to care for underserved populations and other high risk groups such as the elderly, individuals with HIV-AIDS, substance abusers, homeless, and victims of domestic violence.

Special consideration will be given to qualified applicants who support the "Kids Into Health Careers" initiative by establishing linkages with one or more elementary, middle or high schools with a high percentage of minority and disadvantaged students to: (1) Inform students and parents about health careers and financial aid to encourage interest in health careers; (2) promote rigorous academic course work to prepare for health professions training; or (3) provide support services such as mentoring, tutoring, counseling, after school programs, summer enrichment, and college visits.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition

\$600,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

6.

Estimated Project Period

3 Years.

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Chiropractic Demonstration Project Grants

CFDA Number: 93.212.

Application Availability: 12/22/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Application Deadline: 02/22/2000.

Projected Award Date: 07/22/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title VII, Section 755(b)(3), 42 U.S.C. 294e.

Purpose

Grants are awarded to carry out demonstration projects in which chiropractors and physicians collaborate to identify and provide effective treatment for spinal and lower-back conditions.

The project requirements include: (1) The project must address the identification and treatment of spinal and/or lower-back conditions; (2) the project must be founded on collaborative efforts between the school(s) of allopathic or osteopathic medicine; (3) each project must include a strong research protocol which will result in a significant expansion of documented research in the area addressed and which is suitable for publication in refereed health professions journals, including research oriented publications; (4) the project must include an explicit strategy for case-finding and a strategy for making direct comparisons to other forms of treatment. The results must be generalizable to patients cared for in clinical practices addressing spinal and/or lower-back conditions; and (5) whenever feasible, minorities and women should be included in study populations so that research findings can be of benefit to all persons at risk of the disease, disorder, or condition under study.

Eligibility

To be eligible for a Chiropractic Demonstration Project, the applicant shall be: a health professions school, an academic health center, a State or local government, other appropriate public or private nonprofit entity, a private nonprofit school, or a college or University of Chiropractic.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

None.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition \$786,000.

Estimated Number of Awards 3.

Estimated Project Period 3 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Dental Public Health Residency Training Grants

CFDA NUMBER: 93.236.

Application Availability: 08/06/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Application Deadline: 11/01/1999.

Projected Award Date: 04/30/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title VII, Section 768, 42 U.S.C. 295c.

Purpose

The purpose of this program is: (1) to plan and develop new residency training programs and to maintain or improve existing residency training programs in dental public health; and (2) to provide financial assistance to residency trainees enrolled in such programs.

Eligibility

A School of Public Health or Dentistry that offers a Dental Public Health Program accredited by the American Dental Association Commission on Dental Accreditation is eligible to apply. Each applicant must demonstrate that the institution has or will have available full-time faculty members with training and experience in the field of dental public health and support from other faculty members trained in public health and other relevant specialties and disciplines.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Priority shall be given to qualified applicants that have a record of serving individuals who are from disadvantaged backgrounds (including under-represented racial and ethnic minorities) and graduating large proportions of individuals who serve in underserved communities.

Special Considerations

Special consideration will be given to qualified applicants who support the "Kids Into Health Careers" initiative by establishing linkages with one or more elementary, middle or high schools with a high percentage of minority and disadvantaged students to: (1) Inform students and parents about health careers and financial aid to encourage interest in health careers; (2) promote rigorous academic course work to prepare for health professions training; or (3) provide support services such as mentoring, tutoring, counseling, after school programs, summer enrichment, and college visits.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition \$600,000.

Estimated Number of Awards 6.

Estimated Project Period 3 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Residencies and Advanced Education in the Practice of General Dentistry

CFDA Number: 93.897.

Application Availability: 08/06/1999.

To Obtain an Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Application Deadline: 11/01/1999.

Projected Award Date: 04/30/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title VII, Section 747, 42 U.S.C. 293k.

Purpose

This program strives to increase the number of training opportunities in postdoctoral general dentistry and to improve program quality. For the upcoming grant cycle, applicants are encouraged to detail manners in which graduates of the general dentistry residency will be well trained in meeting the treatment needs of pediatric patient populations. This program places particular emphasis on support of applications which encourage practice in underserved areas, provision of a broad range of clinical services,

coordination and integration of care, meeting the needs of special populations, and recruitment and retention of under-represented minorities.

Eligibility

To be eligible for a grant for residency training in the practice of general dentistry, the applicant shall include entities that have programs in dental schools, approved residency programs in the general practice of dentistry, and approved advanced education programs in the general practice of dentistry.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Statutory Funding Preference: As provided in Section 791(a) of the Public Health Service Act, preference will be given to any qualified applicant that: (A) Has a high rate for placing graduates in practice settings and have the principal focus of serving residents of medically/dentally underserved communities; or (B) during the two-year period preceding the fiscal year for which an award is sought, has achieved a significant increase in the rate of placing graduates in such settings. This statutory general preference will only be applied to applications that rank above the 20th percentile of applications recommended for approval by the peer review group.

Priority shall be given to qualified applicants that have a record of training the greatest percentage of providers, or that have demonstrated significant improvements in the percentage of providers which enter and remain in general dentistry.

Priority shall be given to qualified applicants that have a record of training individuals who are from disadvantaged backgrounds (including racial and ethnic minorities under-represented in general dentistry).

Special Considerations

Special consideration shall be given to projects that prepare practitioners to care for under-served populations and other high risk groups such as the elderly, individuals with HIV-AIDS, substance abusers, homeless, and victims of domestic violence.

Special consideration will be given to qualified applicants who support the "Kids Into Health Careers" initiative by establishing linkages with one or more elementary, middle or high schools with a high percentage of minority and disadvantaged students to: (1) Inform students and parents about health careers and financial aid to encourage interest in health careers; (2) promote rigorous academic course work to prepare for health professions training;

or (3) provide support services such as mentoring, tutoring, counseling, after school programs, summer enrichment, and college visits.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition

\$1,900,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

10.

Estimated Project Period

3 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Quentin N. Burdick Program for Rural Interdisciplinary Training

CFDA Number: 93.192.

Application Availability: 08/06/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.
After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Application Deadline: 10/22/1999.

Projected Award Date: 06/01/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title VII, Section 754, 42 U.S.C. 294d.

Purpose

The goal of this program is to provide or improve access to health care in rural areas. Specifically, projects funded under this authority shall be designed to: (a) Use new and innovative methods to train health care practitioners to provide services in rural areas; (b) demonstrate and evaluate innovative interdisciplinary methods and models designed to provide access to cost-effective comprehensive health care; (c) deliver health care services to individuals residing in rural areas; (d) enhance the amount of relevant research conducted concerning health care issues in rural areas; and (e) increase the recruitment and retention of health care practitioners from rural areas and make rural practice a more attractive career choice for health care practitioners.

Eligibility

Applications will be accepted from health professions schools, academic health centers, State or local governments or other appropriate public or private nonprofit entities for funding

and participation in health professions and nursing training activities.

Applications shall be jointly submitted by at least two eligible applicants with the express purpose of assisting individuals in academic institutions in establishing long-term collaborative relationships with health care providers in rural areas.

Applicants must designate a rural health care agency or agencies for clinical treatment or training including hospitals, community health centers, migrant health centers, rural health clinics, community behavioral and mental health centers, long-term care facilities, Native Hawaiian health centers or facilities operated by the Indian Health Service or an Indian tribe or tribal organization or Indian organization under a contract with the Indian Health Service under the Indian Self-Determination Act.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Statutory Funding Preference: As provided in Section 791(a) of the Public Health Service Act, preference will be given to any qualified applicant that: (A) Has a high rate for placing graduates in practice settings having the principal focus of serving residents of medically underserved communities; or (B) during the two-year period preceding the fiscal year for which such an award is sought, has achieved a significant increase in the rate of placing graduates in such settings. This statutory general preference will only be applied to applications that rank above the 20th percentile of applications recommended for approval by the peer review group.

So that new applicants may compete equitably, a preference will be given to those new programs that meet at least four of the criteria described in Section 791(c)(3) of the Public Health Service Act concerning medically underserved communities and populations.

Special Considerations

Special consideration will be given to qualified applicants who provide community-based training experiences designed to improve access to health care services in underserved areas. This will include being responsive to population groups addressed in the President's Executive Orders 12876, 12900 and 13021. These will include such applicants as Hispanic Serving Institutions, Historically Black Colleges and Universities, and Tribal Colleges and Universities serving Native Americans.

Special consideration will be given to qualified applicants who support the "Kids Into Health Careers" initiative by establishing linkages with one or more

elementary, middle or high schools with a high percentage of minority and disadvantaged students to: (1) Inform students and parents about health careers and financial aid to encourage interest in health careers; (2) promote rigorous academic course work to prepare for health professions training; or (3) provide support services such as mentoring, tutoring, counseling, after school programs, summer enrichment, and college visits.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of this Competition

\$2,150,459.

Estimated Number of Awards

11.

Estimated Project Period

3 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Public Health Training Centers Grant Program

CFDA Number: 93.188A.
Application Availability: 08/06/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.
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Application Deadline: 12/06/1999.
Projected Award Date: 09/30/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title VII, Section 766, 42 U.S.C. 295a.

Purpose

The goal of the Public Health Training Centers Grant Program is to improve the Nation's public health system by strengthening the technical, scientific, managerial and leadership competencies and capabilities of the current and future public health workforce. Emphasis is placed on developing the existing public health workforce as a foundation for improving the infrastructure of the public health system and helping achieve the Healthy People 2010 Objectives. With respect to a public health training center, applicants must agree to: (1) Specifically designate a geographic area, including medically underserved populations, e.g., elderly, immigrants/refugees, disadvantaged, to be served by the

Center that shall be in a location removed from the main location of the teaching facility of the school participating in the program with such Center; (2) assess the public health personnel needs of the area to be served by the Center and assist in the planning and development of training programs to meet such needs; (3) establish or strengthen field placements for students in public or nonprofit private public health agencies or organizations; and (4) involve faculty members and students in collaborative projects to enhance public health services to medically underserved communities.

Eligibility

Eligible applicants include accredited schools of public health or other public or nonprofit private institutions accredited for the provision of graduate or specialized training in public health.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

In awarding grants or contracts under this authority, the Secretary shall give preference to accredited schools of public health.

Special Considerations

Special consideration will be given to qualified applicants who support the "Kids Into Health Careers" initiative by establishing linkages with one or more elementary, middle or high schools with a high percentage of minority and disadvantaged students to: (1) Inform students and parents about health careers and financial aid to encourage interest in health careers; (2) promote rigorous academic course work to prepare for health professions training; or (3) provide support services such as mentoring, tutoring, counseling, after school programs, summer enrichment, and college visits.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of this Competition

\$3,000,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

10.

Estimated Project Period

5 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Geriatric Education Centers

CFDA Number: 93.969.
Application Availability: 10/09/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Application Deadline: 12/09/1999.
Projected Award Date: 06/01/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title VII, Section 753(a), 42 U.S.C. 294c.

Purpose

Grants are given to support the development of collaborative arrangements involving several health professions schools and health care facilities. Geriatric Education Centers facilitate training of health professional faculty, students, and practitioners in the diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of disease, disability, and other health problems of the aged. Health professionals include allopathic physicians, osteopathic physicians, dentist, optometrists, podiatrists, pharmacists, nurse practitioners, physicians assistants, chiropractors, clinical psychologists, health administrators, and other allied health professionals. Projects supported under these grants must offer training involving four or more health professions, one of which must be allopathic or osteopathic medicine, and must address one or more of the following statutory purposes: (a) Improve the training of health professionals in geriatrics, including geriatric residencies, traineeships, or fellowships; (b) develop and disseminate curricula relating to the treatment of the health problems of elderly individuals; (c) support training and retraining of faculty to provide instruction in geriatrics; (d) support continuing education of health professionals who provide geriatric care; and (e) provide students with clinical training in geriatrics in nursing homes, chronic and acute disease hospitals, ambulatory care centers, and senior centers.

Eligibility

Grants may be made to accredited health professions schools as defined by Section 799B(1) of the Public Health Service Act, or programs for the training of physicians assistants as defined by Section 799B(3), or schools of allied health as defined in Section 799B(4), or schools of nursing as defined by Section 801(2).

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Statutory Funding Preference: As provided in Section 791(a) of the Public

Health Service Act, preference will be given to any qualified applicant that: (A) Has a high rate for placing graduates in practice settings having the focus of serving residents of medically underserved communities; or (B) during the two-year period preceding the fiscal year for which such an award is sought, has achieved a significant increase in the rate of placing graduates in such settings. This statutory general preference will only be applied to applications that rank above the 20th percentile of applications recommended for approval by the peer review group.

So that new applicants may compete equitably, a preference will be given to those new programs that meet at least four of the criteria described in Section 791(c)(3) of the Public Health Service Act concerning medically underserved communities and populations.

A funding priority will be given to qualified applicants who provide community-based training experiences designed to improve access to health care services in underserved areas. This will include being responsive to population groups addressed in the President's Executive Orders 12876, 12900 and 13021. These will include such applicants as Hispanic Serving Institutions, Historically Black Colleges and Universities, and Tribal Colleges and Universities serving Native Americans.

Special Considerations

Special consideration will be given to qualified applicants who support the "Kids Into Health Careers" initiative by establishing linkages with one or more elementary, middle or high schools with a high percentage of minority and disadvantaged students to: (1) Inform students and parents about health careers and financial aid to encourage interest in health careers; (2) promote rigorous academic course work to prepare for health professions training; or (3) provide support services such as mentoring, tutoring, counseling, after school programs, summer enrichment, and college visits.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of this Competition

\$1,885,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

9-12.

Estimated Project Period

Up to 5 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Geriatric Training Regarding Physicians and Dentists

CFDA Number: 93.156.

Application Availability: 10/09/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Application Deadline: 12/09/1999.

Projected Award Date: 06/01/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title VII, Section 753(b), 42 U.S.C. 294c.

Purpose

Grants are given for faculty training projects in geriatric medicine and dentistry. The purpose of this grant program is to provide support, including fellowships, for geriatric training projects to train physicians, dentists and behavioral and mental health professionals who plan to teach geriatric medicine, geriatric behavioral or mental health, or geriatric dentistry. Projects supported under these grants must offer a one-year retraining program in geriatrics for: (a) Physicians who are faculty members in departments of internal medicine, family medicine, gynecology, geriatrics, and behavioral or mental health at schools of medicine and osteopathic medicine; dentists who are faculty members at schools of dentistry or at hospital departments of dentistry; and behavioral or mental health professionals who are faculty members in departments of behavioral or mental health; and (b) a two-year internal medicine or family medicine fellowship program which provides emphasis in geriatrics, which shall be designed to provide training in clinical geriatrics and geriatrics research for: physicians who have completed graduate medical education programs in internal medicine, family medicine, behavioral or mental health, neurology, gynecology, or rehabilitation medicine; dentists who have demonstrated a commitment to an academic career and who have completed postdoctoral dental training, including postdoctoral dental education programs or who have relevant advanced training or experience; and behavioral or mental health professionals who have completed graduate medical education programs in behavioral or mental health.

Eligibility

Grants may be made to accredited public or private nonprofit schools of medicine, schools of osteopathic medicine, teaching hospitals, or graduate medical education programs. Two-year fellowship programs must be under the programmatic control of a graduate medical education program in internal medicine or family medicine (including osteopathic general practice). The 1-year retraining program shall be based in a graduate medical education program in internal medicine or family medicine or in a department of geriatrics or psychiatry.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Statutory Funding Preference: As provided in Section 791(a) of the Public Health Service Act, preference will be given to any qualified applicant that: (A) Has a high rate for placing graduates in practice settings having the focus of serving residents of medically underserved communities; or (B) during the two-year period preceding the fiscal year for which such an award is sought, has achieved a significant increase in the rate of placing graduates in such settings. This statutory general preference will only be applied to applications that rank above the 20th percentile of applications recommended for approval by the peer review group.

So that new applicants may compete equitably, a preference will be given to those new programs that meet at least four of the criteria described in Section 791(c)(3) of the Public Health Service Act concerning medically underserved communities and populations.

A funding priority will be given to qualified applicants who provide community-based training experiences designed to improve access to health care services in underserved areas. This will include being responsive to population groups addressed in the President's Executive Orders 12876, 12900 and 13021. These will include such applicants as Hispanic Serving Institutions, Historically Black Colleges and Universities, and Tribal Colleges and Universities serving Native Americans.

Special Considerations

Special consideration will be given to qualified applicants who support the "Kids Into Health Careers" initiative by establishing linkages with one or more elementary, middle or high schools with a high percentage of minority and disadvantaged students to: (1) Inform students and parents about health careers and financial aid to encourage interest in health careers; (2) promote

rigorous academic course work to prepare for health professions training; or (3) provide support services such as mentoring, tutoring, counseling, after school programs, summer enrichment, and college visits.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition
\$1,200,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

4.

Estimated Project Period

5 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Health Administration Traineeships and Special Projects

CFDA Number: 93.962.

Application Availability: 08/06/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Application Deadline: 10/15/1999.
Projected Award Date: 07/01/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title VII, Section 769, 42 U.S.C. 295d.

Purpose

Grants are awarded to support eligible students enrolled in accredited graduate programs in health administration, hospital administration, or health policy analysis and planning, and to assist in the development or improvement of programs to prepare students for employment with public or nonprofit private entities.

Eligibility

Eligible applicants are State or local governments (that have in effect preventive medical and dental public health residency programs) or public or nonprofit private educational entities (including graduate schools of social work and business schools that have health management programs) that offer a graduate program in health administration, hospital administration or health policy analysis and planning accredited by the Accrediting Commission on Education in Health Services Administration. Applicants

must assure that, in providing traineeships, priority will be given to students who demonstrate a commitment to employment with public or nonprofit private entities in health administration and management.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Preference will be given to qualified applicants meeting the following conditions:

1. Not less than 25 percent of the graduates of the applicant are engaged in full-time practice settings in medically underserved communities;
2. The applicant recruits and admits students from medically underserved communities;
3. For the purpose of training students, the applicant has established relationships with public and nonprofit providers of health care in the community involved; and
4. In training students, the applicant emphasizes employment with public or nonprofit private entities.

Special Considerations

Special consideration will be given to qualified applicants who support the "Kids Into Health Careers" initiative by establishing linkages with one or more elementary, middle or high schools with a high percentage of minority and disadvantaged students to: (1) Inform students and parents about health careers and financial aid to encourage interest in health careers; (2) promote rigorous academic course work to prepare for health professions training; or (3) provide support services such as mentoring, tutoring, counseling, after school programs, summer enrichment, and college visits.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition
\$1,044,600.

Estimated Number of Awards

55.

Estimated Project Period

3 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Nursing Workforce Diversity Grants

CFDA Number: 93.178A.
Application Availability: 08/06/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Application Deadline: 12/17/1999.
Projected Award Date: 04/30/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title VIII, Section 821, 42 U.S.C. 296m.

Purpose

Grants are awarded to increase nursing education opportunities for individuals who are from disadvantaged backgrounds (including racial and ethnic minorities under-represented among registered nurses) by providing student scholarships or stipends, pre-entry preparation, and retention activities.

Eligibility

Eligible applicants are schools of nursing, nursing centers, academic health centers, State or local governments and other public or private nonprofit entities.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Statutory Funding Preference: As provided in Section 805 of the Public Health Service Act, preference shall be given to applicants with projects that will substantially benefit rural or underserved populations, or help meet public health nursing needs in State or local health departments.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition
\$1,300,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

8.

Estimated Project Period

3 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Basic Nurse Education and Practice Grants

CFDA Number: 93.359A.
Application Availability: 08/06/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Application Deadline: 02/22/2000.
Projected Award Date: 06/30/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title VIII, Section 831, 42 U.S.C. 296p.

Purpose

Grants are awarded to enhance the educational mix and utilization of the basic nursing workforce by strengthening programs that provide basic nurse education, such as through: (1) Establishing or expanding nursing practice arrangements in noninstitutional settings to demonstrate methods to improve access to primary health care in medically underserved communities; (2) providing care for underserved populations and other high-risk groups such as the elderly, individuals with HIV-AIDS, substance abusers, the homeless, and victims of domestic violence; (3) providing managed care, quality improvement, and other skills needed to practice in existing and emerging organized health care systems; (4) developing cultural competencies among nurses; (5) expanding the enrollment in baccalaureate nursing programs; (6) promoting career mobility for nursing personnel in a variety of training settings and cross training or specialty training among diverse population groups; or (7) providing education for informatics, including distance learning methodologies.

Eligibility

Eligible applicants for purposes one and five are schools of nursing. Eligible applicants for purposes two, three, four, six, and seven are schools of nursing, nursing centers, academic health centers, State or local governments and other public or private nonprofit entities.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Statutory Funding Preference: As provided in Section 805 of the Public Health Service Act, preference shall be given to applicants with projects that will substantially benefit rural or underserved populations, or help meet public health nursing needs in State or local health departments.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition

\$3,800,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

19.

Estimated Project Period

3 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Public Health Nursing Experiences in State and Local Health Departments for Baccalaureate Nursing Students

CFDA Number: 93.359B.
Application Availability: 08/06/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.
After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.
Letter of Intent Deadline: 11/01/1999.
Application Deadline: 11/17/1999.
Projected Award Date: 03/31/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title VIII, Section 831, 42 U.S.C. 296p.

Purpose

The purpose of this request for applications is to provide seed money to assist eligible entities to strengthen the public health nursing practice clinical experience (practicum) component of the baccalaureate nursing program. Funds may be used to assist the applicant to plan, implement, and evaluate a public health nursing practice experience that will expose students to: (1) Selected core functions of public health (assessment, policy development, and assurance) and essential services; (2) the mission of the State and/or local health departments; and (3) how a variety of public health practitioners function as a team in promoting, protecting, and maintaining the public's health. This plan may be implemented with a small number of baccalaureate nursing students.

Eligibility

Eligible applicants are schools of nursing and State or local governments.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Statutory Funding Preference: As provided in Section 805 of the Public Health Service Act, preference will be given to applicants with projects that will substantially benefit rural or underserved populations, or help meet public health nursing needs in State or local health departments.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition

\$250,000.

Estimated Number of Awards

10.

Estimated Project Period

1 year.

For Programmatic Questions

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Advanced Education Nursing Grants

CFDA Number: 93.299A.
Application Availability: 08/06/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.
After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.
Application Deadline: 01/28/2000.
Projected Award Date: 06/30/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title VIII, Section 811, 42 U.S.C. 296j.

Purpose

Grants are awarded to eligible institutions for projects that support the enhancement of advanced nursing education and practice. For the purpose of this section, advanced education nurses means individuals trained in advanced degree programs including individuals in combined RN to Master's degree programs, post-nursing Master's certificate programs, or in the case of nurse midwives, in certificate programs in existence on November 12, 1998, to serve as nurse practitioners, clinical nurse specialists, nurse midwives, nurse anesthetists, nurse educators, nurse administrators or public health nurses.

Eligibility

Eligible applicants are schools of nursing, academic health centers, and other public or private nonprofit entities.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Statutory Funding Preference: As provided in Section 805 of the Public Health Service Act, preference shall be given to applicants with projects that will substantially benefit rural or

underserved populations or help meet public health nursing needs in State or local health departments.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition
\$16,500,000.

Estimated Number of Awards
75.

Estimated Project Period
3 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Advanced Education Nursing Traineeship Grants

CFDA Number: 93.299B.
Application Availability: 08/06/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Application Deadline: 12/03/1999.
Projected Award Date: 04/28/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title VIII, Section 811, 42 U.S.C. 296j.

Purpose

Grants are awarded to eligible institutions to meet the cost of traineeships for individuals in advanced nursing education programs. Traineeships are awarded to individuals by participating educational institutions offering Master's and doctoral degree programs, combined RN to Master's degree programs, post-nursing Master's certificate programs, or in the case of nurse midwives, certificate programs in existence on November 12, 1998 to serve as nurse practitioners, clinical nurse specialists, nurse midwives, nurse anesthetists, nurse educators, nurse administrators or public health nurses. The traineeship program is a formula program and all eligible schools will receive awards.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Statutory Funding Preference: As provided in Section 805 of the Public Health Service Act, preference shall be given to applicants with projects that will substantially benefit rural or underserved populations, or help meet public health nursing needs in State or local health departments.

Special Considerations

Traineeships for individuals in advanced education programs are provided under Section 811(a)(2) of the Public Health Service Act. A statutory special consideration, as provided for in Section 811(f)(3) of the PHS Act, will be given to an eligible entity that agrees to expend the award to train advanced education nurses who will practice in health professional shortage areas designated under Section 332 of the PHS Act.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Eligible Organizations

Eligible applicants are schools of nursing, academic health centers, and other public or private nonprofit entities.

Estimated Amount of This Competition
\$15,698,000 for traineeship awards.

Number of Expected Awards
280.

Expected Project Period
1 Year.

For Programmatic Questions

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Advanced Education Nursing—Nurse Anesthetist Traineeship Grant Program

CFDA Number: 93.299C.
Application Availability: 08/06/1999.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.
After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Application Deadline: 12/03/1999.
Projected Award Date: 04/28/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title VIII, Section 811, 42 U.S.C. 296j.

Purpose

Grants are awarded to eligible institutions for projects that support traineeships for licensed registered nurses enrolled as full-time students beyond the twelfth month of study in a Master's nurse anesthesia program. The traineeship program is a formula program and all eligible entities will receive awards.

Eligible Organization

Eligible applicants are schools of nursing, academic health centers, and

other public and private nonprofit institutions which provide registered nurses with full-time nurse anesthetist education and have evidence of earned pre-accreditation or accreditation status from the American Association of Nurse Anesthetists (AANA) Council on Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Educational Programs.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Statutory Funding Preference: As provided in Section 805 of the Public Health Service Act, preference shall be given to applicants with projects that will substantially benefit rural or underserved populations or help meet public health nursing needs in State or local health departments.

Special Considerations

Traineeships for individuals in advanced education programs are provided under Section 811(a)(2) of the Public Health Service Act. A statutory special consideration, as provided for in Section 811(f)(3) of the PHS Act, will be given to an eligible entity that agrees to expend the award to train advanced education nurses who will practice in health professional shortage areas designated under Section 332 of the PHS Act.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition
\$1,200,000.

Number of Expected Awards
70.

Estimated Project Period
1 Year.

For Programmatic Questions

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Advancement of Telehealth

Rural Telemedicine Grant Program

CFDA Number: 93.211.
Application Availability: 12/01/1999.

To Obtain an Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.
After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.
Letter of Intent Deadline: 01/31/2000.
Application Deadline: 03/01/2000.
Projected Award Date: 08/31/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title III, Section 330A, 42 U.S.C. 254c.

Purpose

To demonstrate how telemedicine/telehealth can be used as a tool in developing integrated systems of health care, improving access to health services for rural citizens and reducing the isolation of rural health care practitioners, and to collect information for the systematic evaluation of the feasibility, costs, appropriateness and acceptability of rural telemedicine/telehealth. Grantees may not use in excess of 40 percent of their Federal grant funds each year for the purchase or lease and installation of equipment (i.e., equipment used inside the health care facility or home for providing telehealth services such as codecs, cameras, monitors, computers, multiplexers, etc.). Grantees may not use Federal funds to purchase or install transmission equipment (i.e., microwave towers, large satellite dishes, amplifiers, or laying of telephone or cable lines). Grantees may not use Federal funds to build or acquire real property or for construction except to the extent that such funds are used for minor renovations related to the installation of telemedicine/telehealth equipment. No more than 20 percent of the amounts provided under the grants can be used to pay for the indirect costs associated with carrying out the activities of the grant.

Eligibility

In general, any public (non-Federal) or private nonprofit entity that is: (1) a health care provider and a member of an existing or proposed telemedicine/telehealth network, or (2) a consortium of providers that are members of an existing or proposed telemedicine/telehealth network. The applicant must be a legal entity capable of receiving Federal grant funds. The applicant may be located in either a rural or urban area. Other telemedicine network members may be public or private, nonprofit or for-profit. Health facilities operated by a Federal agency may be members of the network but not the applicant. A telemedicine/telehealth network shall, at a minimum, be composed of a multi-speciality entity that is located in an urban or rural area which can provide 24-hour-a-day access, as appropriate, to a range of diagnostic, therapeutic, ongoing management, preventive, and monitoring services. It must also have at least two rural health care facilities, which may include rural hospitals (fewer than 100 staffed beds), rural health professional office practices, rural health clinics, rural community or migrant health centers, rural publicly-

funded mental health facilities, rural home care agencies, rural nursing homes, and rural school health programs/clinics. Any additional requirements based on legislative changes will be noted in the application kit.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

Funding preferences are included in the application kit.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition
\$8,000,000.

Estimated number of awards
25.

Estimated Project Period
3 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Note to Potential Applicants

The Office for the Advancement of Telehealth anticipates announcing a similar telemedicine/telehealth program for urban underserved and hard-to-reach populations in December 1999, subject to the availability of funds.

Other HRSA Programs**Faculty Loan Repayment Program (FLRP)**

CFDA Number: 93.923.

Application Availability: 01/03/2000.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Application Deadline: 03/31/2000.

Projected Award Date: 09/01/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title VII, Section 738(a), 42 U.S.C. 293b.

Purpose

The FLRP encourages expansion of disadvantaged representation in health professions faculty positions. The program provides loan repayment, in amounts not to exceed \$20,000 for each year of service, for individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds who agree to serve as members of the faculties of eligible health professions and nursing

schools. Each recipient of loan repayment must agree to serve as a faculty member for at least 2 years.

Eligibility

Schools of medicine, osteopathic medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine, optometry, podiatric medicine, pharmacy, public health, allied health, nursing and graduate programs in behavioral and mental health are eligible to apply.

An individual is eligible to compete for participation in the FLRP if the individual is from a disadvantaged background and: (1) Has a degree in medicine, osteopathic medicine, dentistry, nursing, or another health profession; (2) is enrolled in an approved graduate training program in one of the health professions listed above; or (3) is enrolled as a full-time student in an accredited (as determined by the Secretary) school listed above and is in the final year of training leading to a degree from an eligible school.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences
None.

Special Considerations

Special consideration will be given to the extent to which the individual meets the intent of the program to expand disadvantaged representation in health professions faculty positions.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition
\$800,000.

Estimated Number of Awards
25.

Estimated Project Period
Not less than 2 Years.

For Programmatic Questions

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Scholarships for Disadvantaged Students (SDS)

CFDA Number: 93.925.

Application Availability: 02/01/2000.

To Obtain an Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.

After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.

Application Deadline: 03/15/2000.

Projected Award Date: 05/31/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title VII, Section 737, 42 U.S.C. 293a.

Purpose

The SDS program contributes to the diversity of the health professions student and practitioner populations. The program provides funding to eligible health professions and nursing schools to be used for scholarships to students from disadvantaged backgrounds who have financial need for scholarships and are enrolled, or accepted for enrollment, as full-time students at the eligible schools.

Eligibility

(1) Schools of allopathic medicine, osteopathic medicine, dentistry, optometry, pharmacy, podiatric medicine, veterinary medicine, public health, nursing, chiropractic, graduate programs in behavioral and mental health, physician assistants, or allied health are eligible to apply; and (2) schools with a program for recruiting and retaining students from disadvantaged backgrounds, including students who are members of racial and ethnic minority groups.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

An applicant must provide assurances that preference in providing scholarships will be given to students for whom the costs of attending the schools would constitute a severe financial hardship and to former recipients of Exceptional Financial Need and Financial Assistance for Disadvantaged Health Professions Students Scholarships.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

A priority will be given to eligible entities that are health professions and nursing schools based on the proportion of graduating students going into primary care, the proportion of under-represented minority students, and the proportion of graduates working in medically underserved communities.

Review Criteria

Final criteria are included in the application kit.

Estimated Amount of This Competition
\$38,966,000.

Estimated Number of Awards
1,000.

Estimated Project Period
1 Year.

For Programmatic Questions

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Nursing Education Loan Repayment Program

CFDA Number: 93.908.
Application Availability: 03/01/2000.

To Obtain This Application Kit

Contact: 1-888-333-HRSA until September 12, 1999.
After September 12, the new toll free number will be 1-877-HRSA (4772)-123.
Application Deadline: 05/01/2000.
Projected Award Date: 09/01/2000.

Authorization

Public Health Service Act, Title VIII, Section 846, 42 U.S.C. 297m.

Purpose

Under the Nursing Education Loan Repayment Program (NELRP), registered nurses are offered the opportunity to enter into a contractual agreement with the Secretary, under which the Public Health Service agrees to repay up to 85 percent of the nurse's indebtedness for nursing education loans. In exchange, the nurse agrees to serve for a specified period of time in certain types of health facilities identified in statute.

Eligibility

Applicants must have completed all of their training requirements for registered nursing and be licensed prior to beginning service. Individuals eligible to participate must: (a) Have received, prior to the start of service, a baccalaureate or associate degree in nursing; (b) Have unpaid education loans obtained for nurse training; (c) Be a citizen or Nation of the U.S.; (d) Have a current unrestricted license in the State in which they intend to practice; and (e) Agree to be employed for not less than two years in a full-time clinical capacity in: (1) An Indian Health Service Health Center; (2) a Native Hawaiian Health Center; (3) a public hospital (operated by a State, county, or local government); (4) a health center funded under Section 330 of the Public Health Service Act (including migrant, homeless, and public housing health centers); (5) a rural health clinic (Section 1861 (aa)(2) of the Social Security Act); or (6) a public or nonprofit private health facility determined by the Secretary to have a critical shortage of nurses.

Estimated Amount of This Competition
\$2,240,000.

Estimated Number of Awards
200.

Estimated Project Period
None.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

In making awards under this Section, preferences will be given to qualified applicants who have the greatest financial need and who agree to serve in the types of health facilities described above that are located in geographic areas determined by the Secretary to have a shortage of and need for nurses.

Review Criteria

Awards are determined by formula.

For Programmatic Questions

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HRSA's Approach to Performance Measurement

The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) is the lead Federal agency in promoting access to health care services that create and improve the Nation's health. With a statutory emphasis on special needs, underserved, and vulnerable populations, HRSA mobilizes its bureaus, programs, staff and partners to assure access to quality health care.

HRSA is an agency with multiple programs but with a single strategic goal: Assure 100% access to health care and 0% disparities for all Americans. We do not rely solely on the HRSA budget or even other Federal funding in our quest to meet our goal. Instead, we work to establish alliances and partnerships with a broad array of organizations ranging from State and local governments to foundations and corporations.

In order to support our goal, HRSA has established four strategies:

- Eliminate Barriers to Care;
- Eliminate Health Disparities;
- Assure Quality of Care; and
- Improve Public Health and Health Care Systems.

Within each of these strategies there are three substrategies to fully implement them (see Model). We have aligned our strategic plan, our Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) measures, and our budget under these activities.

The GPRA requires Federal agencies to prepare 5-year Strategic Plans setting out long-term goals and objectives, Annual Performance Plans committing to short-term performance goals, and Annual Performance Reports explaining and documenting how effective the Agency's actions have been at achieving the stated goals.

HRSA accomplishes its mission by:

- Working with States and communities which form the foundation for developing integrated service systems and the appropriate health workforce to help assure access to essential high-quality health care.

- Assuring that these systems take into account cultural and linguistic

factors, geographic location, and economic circumstances.

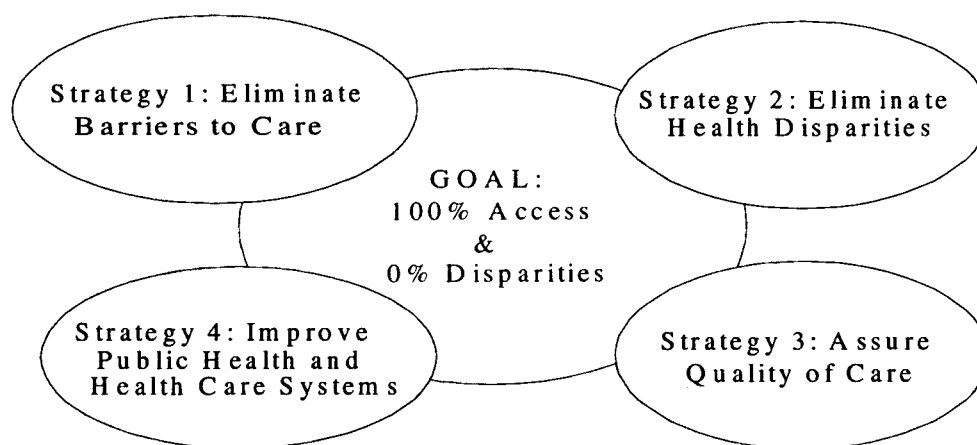
- Assisting States and communities to identify and address unmet service needs and workforce gaps in the health care system.

- Promoting continuous quality improvement in health services delivery and health professions education.

- Supporting innovative partnerships to promote effective, integrated systems of care for all population groups.

- Promoting the recruitment, training, and retention of a culturally and linguistically competent and diverse health care workforce.

HRSA GOAL AND STRATEGIES



Strategy 1: Eliminate Barriers to Care

- Increase utilization for underserved
- Increase Access Points
- Focus on target population

Strategy 2: Eliminate Health Disparities

- Reduce incidence/prevalence of disease and morbidity/mortality
- Increase utilization for underserved populations
- Focus on target populations

Strategy 3: Assure Quality of Care

- Promote appropriateness of care
- Assure effectiveness of care
- Improve customer/patient satisfaction

Strategy 4: Improve Public Health and Health Care Systems

- Improve Information development and dissemination
- Promote education and training of the Public Health and Health Care Workforce
- Promote systems and infrastructure development

The overall approach that HRSA follows is focused on:

Primary Health Care for the Poor, Uninsured and Isolated

- HRSA supports a network of primary care health centers that deliver primary care—preventing disease and treating illness—in underserved areas. Each year, more than 9 million Americans receive care through HRSA health centers. More than half of those receiving care are members of working families with no health insurance.

Health Care for Americans With Special Health Care Needs

- A major HRSA focus is on the health of mothers, children and youth, particularly minority, low-income and uninsured individuals and families who face barriers to needed health services, such as prenatal care and immunization. Through the Maternal and Child Health Block Grant, each State assesses the health care needs of its pregnant women, children and adolescents, then develops and implements a plan to meet them.

- Ryan White CARE Act programs are designed to help people with HIV/AIDS live better and longer. Funding provides

health and support services for under-or uninsured people with HIV/AIDS. The AIDS Drug Assistance Programs are designed to make available the latest therapeutic approaches to care for those who would not otherwise have access to such care.

Training Health Professionals to Serve the Underserved

- HRSA supports a variety of community-based training programs to train the next generation of physicians, nurses and other health professionals to work effectively in managed care, to become productive members of health care teams, and to increase the provision of services in underserved areas.

Approach to Performance Measurement

HRSA has made a strong effort to build a performance management approach into the way it conducts its business. The agency structured the development of its internal strategic planning process to be consistent with the requirements of the Government Performance and Results Act. The goals

developed in the process have guided the development of our Annual Performance Plans.

As part of that process, the agency outlined the central assessment question of organizational performance:

Can this organization, with a given set of resources, through a series of actions and decisions, produce outputs that have the desired effects and outcomes to benefit those it serves?

Technical assistance has been provided to each of the operating components to enhance ability to define performance goals and measures.

Look for HRSA at the Following Meetings/Conferences

Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO) Annual Meeting

September 28–October 1, 1999.
Savannah, Georgia.
(www.astho.org).

Association of Military Surgeons of the United States (AMSUS) 106th Annual Meeting

November 7–12, 1999.
Anaheim, California.
(www.amsus.org).

127th Annual American Public Health Association Meeting

November 15–18, 1999.
Chicago, Illinois.
(www.apha.org).

12th National HIV/AIDS Update Conference

March 14–17, 2000.
San Francisco, California.
HRSA Contact: Steven Merrill, 1–301–443–2865 or E-mail smerrill@hrsa.gov.

Prevention 2000

March 23–26, 2000.
Atlanta, Georgia.
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17th Annual Meeting of the Association for Health Services Research

June 25–27, 2000.
Los Angeles, California.

(www.ahsr.org).

National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) Annual Meeting

July 14–17, 2000.
Los Angeles, California.
(www.naccho.org).

2000 National Council of La Raza Conference

Specific dates and location to be announced.
(www.nclr.org).

National Conference of State Legislatures 26th Annual Meeting

July 16–20, 2000.
Chicago, Illinois.
(www.ncsl.org).

8th Annual National Association of Local Boards of Health (NALBOH) Conference

July, 2000.
Raleigh/Durham, North Carolina.
(www.nalboh.org).

Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO) Annual Meeting

July 16–23, 2000.
Los Angeles, California.
(www.astho.org).

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World Wide Web

HRSA Home Page

<http://www.hrsa.dhhs.gov/>.

DHHS Home Page

<http://www.os.dhhs.gov/>.

Grantsnet

<http://www.hhs.gov/progorg/grantsnet/index.html>.

PHS Grants Policy Statement

<http://www.nih.gov/grants/policy/gps/>.

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA)

<http://www.gsa.gov/fdac/>.

Code of Federal Regulations

<http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/cfr-table-search.html>.

OMB Circulars

<http://www.whitehouse.gov/WH/EOP/omb>.

Federal Register

http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/aces/aces140.html.

Healthfinder

<http://www.healthfinder.gov/>.

Fedworld Information Network

<http://www.fedworld.gov/>.

HRSA Y2K Site

http://www.hrsa.gov/y2k_comp.htm.

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