

and evaluates the development and progress of programs and activities of the Center; (2) develops major policies and program decisions based on an evaluation of the status of support and accomplishments of the Center's program areas; (3) coordinates with full-time institute liaisons to facilitate appropriate coordination and scientific input within NIH; (4) collaborates with other NIH Institutes and Centers in the identification of ongoing activities and planned new directions in complementary and alternative medicine research and research training as it relates to the overall NIH mission; (5) serves as the focal point for a program of complementary and alternative medicine intramural research carried out in NIH laboratories and clinics, including the sponsorship of intramural research trainees; (6) maintains requisite liaison with other government, voluntary, and private organizations and groups nationally; (7) promotes complementary and alternative medicine research by outreach and responsiveness to scientific and lay publics, including Congress, the media, and the general public, especially by managing the Center's information clearinghouse; (8) coordinates all aspects of committee management, including the activities of all Congressionally-mandated committees and advisory councils; and (9) coordinates all extramural and intramural training activities of the Center.

Office of Administrative Operations (ND12, formerly HND12). (1) Advises the Director, Deputy Director, and senior Center staff on administrative matters; (2) plans and directs management functions of the Center including financial management, personnel management, purchase and maintenance of equipment and supplies, and acquisition and management of space; (3) is responsible for execution of the research management and support and intramural budgets; (4) develops, implements, and supervises the Center's program planning and evaluation activities by initiating and conducting a wide variety of analytical studies that provide a rational basis for key policy and program decisions; and (5) has broad responsibility for the supervision of the Center's computer-related activities.

Office of Legislation, Policy and Analysis (ND13, formerly HND13). (1) Advises the Director, Deputy Director, and senior Center staff on policy matters and other relevant issues that may affect Center programs and initiatives; (2) develops and implements the program

planning, analysis, and evaluation activities of the Center; (3) serves as liaison with the NIH legislative analysis community, keeping abreast of their policy and program developments; (4) conducts the Center's legislative liaison activities, including drafting testimony, reports, and memos concerning the Center's and NIH's complementary and alternative medicine-related activities, responding to Congressional requests for information, and analyzing and tracking legislation regarding complementary and alternative medicine; and (5) analyzes and tracks legislation affecting the mission of the Center, and makes recommendations to the Center Director for legislative proposals.

Office of Communications and Public Liaison (ND14, formerly HND14). (1) Represents the Center's Director for press and other public matters; (2) prepares reports, publications, press releases, exhibits, and education programs, and responds to inquiries from the press, professional organizations, scientists, and the general public about the complementary and alternative medicine research programs and policies of the NIH; (3) communicates the goals and results of NIH's complementary and alternative medicine-supported research and provides information about the Center's mission, programs, activities, and initiatives to the general public and specific target audiences, both directly and via intermediaries, such as the news media; (4) advises the Director, Deputy Director, and other Center staff on communication matters and, as appropriate, assists staff in meeting their communication needs; (5) assures compliance with NIH and Departmental procedures for the review and clearance of public materials, including manuscripts, speeches, and publicly available electronic documents; and (6) serves as the contact point for members of the public who wish to communicate with Center staff, and also facilitates collaborative relationships between the Center and the many individuals and organizations it serves.

Division of Extramural Research, Training and Review (ND2, formerly HND2). (1) Advises the Director, Deputy Director, and senior Center staff on matters pertaining to the development, promulgation and management of policies and procedures related to extramural (grant, cooperative agreement, and contract) research and training programs in complementary and alternative medicine; (2) represents the Center on numerous permanent and ad hoc NIH, Departmental, interagency, and non-governmental committees concerned with extramural program

activities; (3) provides guidance in the development of Center policies and recommended procedures concerning peer review, extramural research programs, research training and career development programs; (4) facilitates and stimulates interaction and exchange of information on complementary and alternative medicine between NIH Institutes and Centers to promote understanding of the NIH's long-range plans; (5) interprets effect of proposals for long-term support on projected NIH Institute or Center plans regarding complementary and alternative medicine; (6) recommends budget allocations for the various complementary and alternative medicine-related programs; (7) acts as liaison between NIH Institutes and Centers for activities relating to complementary and alternative medicine grant application assignments, foreign travel, and foreign grants; (8) identifies complementary and alternative medicine research developments and determines where additional research and training efforts are required; and (9) arranges workshops, conferences, seminars, and meetings where appropriate to stimulate or facilitate research in complementary and alternative medicine.

Delegations of Authority Statement

All delegations and redelegations of authority to offices and employees of NIH which were in effect immediately prior to the effective date of this realignment and are consistent with this realignment shall continue in effect, pending further redelegation.

Dated: January 5, 1999.

Harold Varmus,

Director, National Institutes of Health.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Statement of Organization, Functions, and Delegations of Authority

Part N, National Institutes of Health, of the Statement of Organization, Functions, and Delegations of Authority for the Department of Health and Human Services (40 FR 22859, May 27, 1975, as amended most recently at 63 FR 8656, February 20, 1998, and redesignated from Part HN as Part N at 60 FR 56605, November 9, 1995), is amended as set forth below to reflect the establishment of the National Center for Complementary and Alternative

Medicine (NCCAM) by elevating and retitling the Office of Alternative Medicine (OAM) currently located within the Office of Disease Prevention, Office of the Director, NIH, pursuant to Title VI of P.L. 105-277. After the statement for the National Center for Research Resources (NR, formerly HNR) add the following:

National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine (ND, formerly HND). (1) Studies the integration of alternative treatment, diagnostic and prevention systems, modalities, and disciplines with the practice of conventional medicine and as a complement to such medicine and the integration of such alternatives into health care delivery systems in the United States; (2) ensures that scientists with appropriate expertise in research on complementary and alternative medicine are incorporated into the review, oversight, and management processes of all research projects and other activities funded by the Center; (3) coordinates efforts with other Institutes and Federal agencies to ensure appropriate scientific input and management; (4) identifies and evaluates alternative and complementary medical treatment, diagnostic and prevention modalities in each of the disciplines and systems with which the Center is concerned, including each discipline and system in which accreditation, national certification, or a State license is available; (5) conducts or supports the following activities: outcomes research and investigations, epidemiological studies, health services research, basic science research, clinical trials, and other appropriate research and investigational activities; (6) assists the NIH Director in designating specific personnel in each Institute to serve as full-time liaisons with the Center in facilitating appropriate coordination and scientific input; (7) establishes, updates, and makes publicly accessible a bibliographic system for the collection, storage, and retrieval of worldwide research relating to complementary and alternative treatment, diagnostic and prevention modalities, disciplines and systems; (8) establishes an information clearinghouse to facilitate and enhance, through the effective dissemination of information, knowledge and understanding of alternative medical treatment, diagnostic and prevention practices by health professionals, patients, industry, and the public; and (9) supports the development and operation of multipurpose centers to conduct research and other activities

with respect to complementary and alternative treatment, diagnostic and prevention modalities, disciplines and systems; the provision of support for the development and operation of such centers shall include accredited complementary and alternative medicine research and education facilities.

Under the heading Office of the Director (NA, formerly HNA), Office of Disease Prevention (NA2, formerly HNA2), the Office of Alternative Medicine (NA27, formerly HNA27) is deleted in its entirety.

Delegations of Authority Statement

All delegations and redelegations of authority to offices and employees of NIH which were in effect immediately prior to the effective date of this realignment and are consistent with this realignment shall continue in effect, pending further redelegation.

Dated: February 1, 1999.

Donna E. Shalala,

Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of the Secretary

Tribal Self-Governance Notice of Availability of Self-Governance BIA Negotiation and Non-BIA Planning/Negotiation Grants

AGENCY: Office of Self-Governance, Office of the Secretary, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of grants availability.

SUMMARY: In this notice, the Office of Self-Governance (OSG) announces the availability of fiscal year 1999 negotiation grants to negotiate BIA programs (up to 10 grants of no more than \$20,000 each) and planning/negotiation grants to plan for and negotiate DOI and non-BIA programs (up to 5 grants of no more than \$20,000). The timeframes for application and selection are specified in this announcement.

DATES: Applications must be submitted by March 31, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Completed applications for grants should be sent to the Director, Office of Self-Governance, U.S. Department of the Interior, Mail Stop 2548, 1849 C Street, NW, Washington, DC 20240.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Kenneth Reinfeld, U.S. Department of the Interior, Office of Self-Governance,

1849 C Street NW, Mail Stop 2548, Washington, DC 20240, 202-219-0240.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The tribal self-governance program is designed to promote self-determination by allowing tribes to assume more control through negotiated annual funding agreements of programs operated by the Department of the Interior. The Tribal Self-Governance Act of 1994 (Pub. L. 103-413) allows for negotiations to be conducted for programs operated by BIA and for programs operated by other bureaus and offices within the Department that are otherwise available to Indians or when there is an historical, cultural, or geographic connection to an Indian tribe.

The purpose of this notice is to announce the availability of BIA negotiation and non-BIA planning/negotiation grants in accordance with the self-governance interim rule published in the **Federal Register** on April 23, 1996. The applicable interim rules were established at 25 CFR 1001.7, 1001.8, and 1001.10 and will be used to govern the application and selection process for tribes/consortia to receive fiscal year 1999 BIA negotiation and non-BIA negotiation/planning grants as specified in this notice. Applicants should be guided by the requirements in 25 CFR 1001.7, 1001.8, and 1010.10 in preparing their applications. Copies of the Interim rules published in the **Federal Register** on April 23, 1996, may be obtained from the information contact person identified in this notice.

Subject to the discretion of the Director, Office of Self-Governance, the following types of grants are available to tribes/consortia in 1999 with the deadlines as stated below:

(1) *Negotiation Grants to Negotiate BIA Programs:* Up to 10 grants of no more than \$20,000 may be made available. As announced in the **Federal Register** published on December 1, 1998, the closing date for submitting completed applications to begin participation in tribal self-governance in fiscal year 2000 or calendar year 2000 is March 1, 1999. Applications requesting to be included in the applicant pool to begin participation in tribal self-governance may be submitted at any time. Tribes/consortia selected from the applicant pool to begin participation in tribal self-governance in fiscal year 2000 or calendar year 2000, may be eligible to receive a negotiation grant. Each selected tribe/consortium will be notified by March 17, 1999, and must submit a written application for a negotiation grant, no later than March 31, 1999, indicating its intention to