

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services; National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research; Notice Reinviting Applications and of a Pre-Application Meeting for a New Award Under the Knowledge Dissemination and Utilization Program (D&U) for Fiscal Year (FY) 1995

Purpose: On June 8, 1994 a notice was published in the **Federal Register** at 59 FR 29664 inviting applications for new awards under the D&U program for fiscal year 1995 to train persons with rights and duties under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Satisfactory applications were not received for the priority areas of (1) ADA Training for Independent Living Centers and (2) State and Local ADA Coordinators and Policymakers. On October 18, 1994 at 59 FR 52524 a notice was published in the **Federal Register** reinviting applications for the priority areas of (1) ADA Training for Independent Living Centers and (2) State and Local ADA Coordinators and Policymakers. Satisfactory applications were not received for the priority area of ADA Training for Independent Living Centers. There is a continuing need for the training project.

The purposes of this notice are to reinvite applications for an ADA training project for Independent Living Centers for fiscal year 1995 and to invite interested parties to participate in a pre-application meeting to discuss the funding priority and receive technical assistance through individual consultation and information about the funding priority. The notice of final funding priority establishing the required activities for this project was published on June 8, 1994 in the **Federal Register** at 59 FR 29664.

Note: The Rehabilitation Act Amendments of 1992 require that each applicant for a project under this competition must

demonstrate in its application how it will address the needs of individuals from minority backgrounds who have disabilities.

Eligible Applicants: Parties eligible to apply for grants under this program are public and private nonprofit and for-profit agencies and organizations, including institutions of higher education and Indian tribes and tribal organizations.

Applications Available: April 11, 1995.

Pre-Application Meeting: March 2, 1995. Interested parties are invited to participate in a pre-application meeting to discuss the funding priority for an ADA training project for Independent Living Centers or to receive technical assistance through individual consultation and information about the funding priority. The pre-application meeting to discuss the funding priority will be held at the Department of Education, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Switzer Building, Room 3065, 330 C St. SW, Washington, DC between 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. NIDRR staff will also be available at this location from 1:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. on that same day to provide technical assistance through individual consultation and information about the funding priority. NIDRR will make alternate arrangements to accommodate interested parties who are unable to attend the pre-application meeting in person.

Application Deadline: April 17, 1995.

Available Funds: \$250,000 per year.

Estimated Number of Awards: 1.

Note: The estimates of funding levels and awards in this notice do not bind the Department of Education to a specific level of funding or number of grants, unless the amount is otherwise specified by statute or regulation.

Project Period: Up to 36 months.

Priority: The D&U ADA Training Project general requirements and final priority on Independent Living Centers published in the **Federal Register** on June 8, 1994 at 59 FR 29664 applies to this competition.

Applicable Regulations: (a) The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR), 34 CFR parts 74, 75, 77, 78, 80, 81, 82, 85, 86; (b) the regulations for this program in 34 CFR parts 350 and 355; and (c) the notice of final priorities published in the **Federal Register** on June 8, 1994 at 59 FR 29664.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: In order to obtain further information about the funding priority and the pre-application meeting on March 2, 1995, contact David Esquith, U.S. Department of Education, Room 3424 Switzer Building, 600 Maryland Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20202. Telephone: (202) 205-8801. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the TDD number at (202) 205-8133.

In order to obtain an application package, contact Dianne Villines, U.S. Department of Education, Room 3417 Switzer Building, 600 Maryland Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20202. Telephone: (202) 205-9141. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the TDD number at (202) 205-8887.

Information about the Department's funding opportunities, including copies of application notices for discretionary grant competitions, can be viewed on the Department's electronic bulletin board (ED Board), telephone (202) 260-9950; or on the Internet Gopher Server at GOPHER.ED.GOV (under Announcements, Bulletins, and Press Releases). However, the official application notice for a discretionary grant competition is the notice published in the **Federal Register**.

Program Authority: 29 U.S.C. 761a and 762.

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