

commitments also will be a factor in the evaluation.

4. Ability of the Work Plan and Budget to Successfully Achieve the Project's Objectives (20 points).

Reviewers will examine if the work plan and budget are reasonable and sufficient to ensure timely implementation and completion of the evaluation enhancement and whether the applicant demonstrates an adequate level of understanding by the applicant of the practical problems of conducting such a project. Reviewers will judge whether there is an "added benefit" from providing these funds. In other words, is the applicant using federal funds for purposes that would not otherwise be funded? Reviewers will also consider whether the budget assures an efficient and effective allocation of funds to achieve the objectives of this solicitation and whether the application has additional funding from other sources. Eligible projects must document sufficient funding for program operation during the period of the evaluation and also document sufficient funding for the existing evaluation component. The applicant should provide budget statements from previous award/s that contribute to the completion of the evaluation. Applicants without these funds or the documentation that certifies these funds will be ineligible to receive any points in this category. Reviewers will judge if the applicant has adequately demonstrated its ability to present findings and produce a final report that can be widely disseminated by ASPE or its designee (s).

Disposition of Applications

1. Approval, Disapproval, or Deferral

On the basis of the review of the application, the Assistant Secretary will either: (a) Approve the application as a whole or in part; (b) disapprove the application; or defer action on the application for such reasons as lack of funds or a need for further review. However, nothing commits the Assistant Secretary to making an award or limits the ability to make multiple award.

2. Notification of Disposition

The Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation will notify the applicants of the disposition of their applications. If approved, a signed notification of the grant award will be sent to the business office named in the ASPE checklist.

Federal Domestic Assistance Catalog

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number is 93-239.

Components of a Complete Application

A complete application consists of the following items in this order:

1. Application for Federal Assistance (Standard Form 424);
2. Budget Information—Non-construction Programs (Standard Form 424A);
3. Assurances—Non-construction Programs (Standard Form 424B);
4. Table of Contents;
5. Budget Justification for Section B Budget Categories;
6. Proof of Non-Profit Status, if appropriate;
7. Copy of the applicant's Approved Indirect Cost Rate Agreement;
8. Project Narrative Statement;
9. Any appendices or attachments;
10. Certification Regarding Drug-Free Workplace;
11. Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, or other Responsibility Matters;
12. Certification and, if necessary, Disclosure Regarding Lobbying;
13. Supplement to Section II—Key Personnel
14. Application for Federal Assistance Checklist

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of National AIDS Policy

Notice of Meeting of the Presidential Advisory Council on HIV/AIDS and its Subcommittees

Pursuant to Pub. L. 92-463, notice is hereby given of the meeting of the Presidential Advisory Council on HIV/AIDS on June 15-18, 1998, at the Madison Hotel, Washington, DC. The meeting of the Presidential Advisory Council on HIV/AIDS will take place on Monday, June 15, Tuesday, June 16, Wednesday, June 17 and Thursday, June 18 from 8:30 am to 5:30 pm at the Madison Hotel, Fifteenth and M Streets, NW, Washington, DC 20005. The meetings will be open to the public.

The purpose of the subcommittee meetings will be to finalize any recommendations and assess the status of previous recommendations made to the administration. The agenda of the Presidential Advisory Council on HIV/AIDS may include presentations from the Council's subcommittees, Research, Services, Prevention, International, Discrimination, Communities for

African and Latino Descent, and Prison Issues.

Daniel C. Montoya, Executive Director, Presidential Advisory Council on HIV and AIDS, Office of National AIDS Policy, 736 Jackson Place, NW, Washington, D.C. 20503, Phone (202) 456-2437, Fax (202) 456-2438, will furnish the meeting agenda and roster of committee members upon request. Any individual who requires special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should contact Ann Borlo at (301) 986-4870 no later than May 15, 1998.

Dated: April 24, 1998.

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Executive Director, Presidential Advisory Council on HIV and AIDS, Office of National AIDS Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary

Federal Financial Participation in State Assistance Expenditures; Federal Matching Shares for Aid to Families With Dependent Children, Medicaid, and Aid to Aged, Blind, or Disabled Persons for October 1, 1997 Through October 1, 1998 and for October 1, 1998 Through September 30, 1999; Clarification and Correction

ACTION: Notice of clarification and correction.

SUMMARY: This Notice clarifies the status of Alaska and the District of Columbia shown in the Tables of Federal Medical Assistance percentages calculated for determining the amount of Federal matching in State welfare and medical expenditures for Fiscal Years 1998 and 1999 and corrects an error for the District of Columbia for 1999. For Medicaid and for the Child Health Insurance Program, the percentages given in the notices are correct. For other uses, including the remaining Title IV programs, the Alaskan percentage for 1998 should be 50.00% and for 1999 should be 52.26%. The District of Columbia percentage should be 50.00% for both years.

EFFECTIVE DATES: The corrected percentages will be effective for each of the 4 quarter-year periods in the period beginning October 1, 1997 and ending September 30, 1998 and for each of the 4 quarter-year periods in the period beginning October 1, 1998 and ending September 30, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Gene Moyer, Office of Health Policy, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, Room 442E Hubert H. Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20201, Telephone (202) 690-7861.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Balanced Budget Act, passed in July 1997, specified new Federal Medical Assistance Percentages for Alaska and for the District of Columbia for fiscal years 1998, 1999, and 2000. On January 29, 1997, in Notice 97-2231 beginning on page 4293, the Department published the 1998 percentages. On September 12, 1997, in Notice 97-24324 beginning on page 48098, the Department published updated percentages for Alaska and the District of Columbia for purposes of Medicaid and the New Children's Health Insurance Program. On November 24, 1997, in Notice 97-30832 beginning on page 62613, the Office of the Secretary announced the percentages for use in determining the amount of Federal matching in State welfare and medical expenditures for October 1, 1998 through September 30, 1999. The FY1999 Notice provided a Table on pages 62614-62615 that listed Federal Medical Assistance percentages and Enhanced Federal Medical Assistance percentages for each of the 50 States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Northern Mariana Islands. The Federal Medical Assistance Percentage for Alaska is listed as 59.80% and for the District of Columbia as 70.00%. The enhanced percentages were 71.86% for Alaska and 79.00% for the District of Columbia. These are the correct percentages for Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance. For Title IV and perhaps some other programs, the percentages for Alaska and the District of Columbia were to be calculated in the usual way.

The FY 1999 Notice recognized this for the State of Alaska. The second sentence in the second footnote to the table read "For other purposes, the percentage for Alaska is 52.26%." The error was that the sentence should have included the District of Columbia and should have been more specific about the uses of the standard rates. The sentence should have read "For other purposes, including programs remaining in Title IV of the Act, the percentage for Alaska is 52.26% and for the District of Columbia is 50.00%."

Dated: April 19, 1998.

Neil J. Stillman,

Assistant Secretary for Information Resource Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

[Announcement 98036]

Violence Against Women Prevention Research Center (VAWPRC) Notice of Availability of Funds

A. Purpose

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the availability of fiscal year 1998 cooperative agreement funds to establish a Violence Against Women Prevention Research Center (VAWPRC). This program addresses the Healthy People 2000 priority area of Violent and Abusive Behavior.

The purposes of the Prevention Research Center are to:

1. Support research on prevention and policy issues relevant to Violence Against Women;

2. Encourage professionals from a spectrum of disciplines such as public health, criminal justice, health care, behavioral and social sciences, education, law enforcement, and others to undertake and collaborate in research and evaluation activities for preventing violence against women;

3. Foster interdisciplinary collaboration for the purpose of developing integrated theoretical and scientific models about the nature of violence against women, its relationship to other forms of violence and injury, and effective prevention strategies;

4. Integrate research on child maltreatment and other forms of violence into the study of violence against women;

5. Foster creative and innovative approaches to collaborative research and evaluation efforts among research institutions and sexual assault and intimate partner violence service providers;

6. Develop a knowledge base for evaluating current and new programs, strategies, and policies designed to prevent or control violence against women;

7. Create training programs that develop interdisciplinary knowledge and expertise among new investigators and investigators retraining in the field.

These efforts should emphasize training researchers in evaluation methodology and developing the research skills of scientists from racial and ethnic minorities and other historically underrepresented and underserved groups;

8. Provide technical assistance to other investigators around methodological issues related to the field of violence against women; and

9. Provide a national focus for interdisciplinary public fora designed to disseminate research knowledge about violence against women.

For additional information please see Addendum 2, Background and Definitions (included in the application package).

B. Eligible Applicants

Applications may be submitted by public and private nonprofit organizations and by governments and their agencies. Thus, universities, colleges, research institutions, hospitals, and other public and private nonprofit organizations, State and local governments or their bona fide agents, and federally recognized Indian tribal governments, Indian tribes or Indian tribal organizations.

Note: Pub. L. 104-65, which became effective January 1, 1996, states that an organization described in section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 which engages in lobbying activities shall not be eligible to receive Federal funds constituting an award, grant, cooperative agreement, contract, loan, or any other form.

C. Availability of Funds

Approximately \$600,000 is available in FY 1998 to fund one (1) cooperative agreement. It is expected that the award will begin on or about September 1, 1998 and will be made for a 12-month budget period within a project period not to exceed five (5) years. Funding estimates may vary and are subject to change and availability of funds.

Non-competing continuation awards for new budget periods within the approved project period will be made on the basis of satisfactory progress as evidenced by required reports and site visits.

D. Program Requirements

1. Applicants must provide a Principal Investigator (Director) who has specific authority and responsibility to carry out the project. Applicants must demonstrate high level institutional support for the Prevention Research Center (e.g., from the dean of a school, vice-president of a university, or a commissioner of health). The Principal Investigator must have no less than 20 percent effort devoted solely to this