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## FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

### Sunshine Act Meeting

**AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING:** Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

**TIME AND DATE:** 11:00 a.m., Monday, July 6, 1998.

**PLACE:** Marriner S. Eccles Federal Reserve Board Building, 20th and C Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20551.

**STATUS:** Closed.

#### MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. Personnel actions (appointments, promotions, assignments, reassignments, and salary actions) involving individual Federal Reserve System employees.

2. Any items carried forward from a previously announced meeting.

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Lynn S. Fox, Assistant to the Board; 202-452-3204.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** You may call 202-452-3206 beginning at approximately 5 p.m. two business days before the meeting for a recorded announcement of bank and bank holding company applications scheduled for the meeting; or you may contact the Board's Web site at <http://www.bog.frb.fed.us> for an electronic announcement that not only lists applications, but also indicates procedural and other information about the meeting.

Dated: June 26, 1998.

**Jennifer J. Johnson,**

*Secretary of the Board.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

[Program Announcement 98035]

#### Epidemiologic Research Studies of Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (AIDS) and Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Infection Notice of Availability of Funds

##### A. Purpose

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the availability of fiscal year (FY) 1998 funds for new and competitive continuation cooperative agreements for epidemiologic and behavioral research studies of AIDS and HIV infection. This program addresses the "Healthy People 2000" priority area of HIV Infection. These awards will help support researchers in the conduct of HIV-related epidemiologic research studies that foster prevention of HIV infection or HIV-related disease in children. These include studies that address the follow-up of HIV-infected children and other HIV epidemiologic studies.

##### *Research Issue: HIV Infection in Children—Follow Up of Perinatally-Infected Children*

Applications are solicited for continued prospective follow-up of HIV-infected children enrolled in the Perinatal AIDS Collaborative Transmission Study (PACTS) between 1986 and 1998. This is a research issue of programmatic interest to the health care community and to CDC for FY 1998. This issue is considered significant to gaining a greater understanding of the epidemiology of AIDS and HIV infection. Follow-up should be done at least every 3 months, and include: (1) collecting information on HIV-related clinical conditions, HIV-related medication use, hospitalizations, and vital status; and (2) collecting blood specimens for viral load testing, lymphocyte immunophenotyping, and storage for other HIV-related testing. Applicants will use a common data collection instrument, protocol, and data management system designed and implemented in collaboration with CDC.

Applications submitted by organizations that examine additional important HIV-related epidemiologic research issues will also be accepted and considered for funding.

##### B. Eligible Applicants

Applications may be submitted by public and private nonprofit organizations and by governments and

their agencies; that is, universities, colleges, research institutions, hospitals, 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.

##### C. Availability of Funds

Approximately \$4.5 million is available in FY 1998 to fund approximately 6 awards. It is expected that awards will range from \$250,000 to \$1.5 million. It is expected that 4 projects addressing HIV infection in children and 2 other HIV epidemiologic studies will be funded. Awards will begin on or about September 29, 1998, and will be made for a 12-month budget period, within a project period of up to 3 years. Funding estimates may change.

##### *Funding Preferences*

Preference will be given to competing continuation applications from satisfactorily performing projects over applications for projects not already receiving support under the program.

##### D. Program Requirements

In conducting activities to achieve the purpose of this program, the recipient will be responsible for the activities listed under "Recipient Activities," below, and CDC will be responsible for conducting activities listed under "CDC Activities", below:

##### *Recipient Activities*

Applicants addressing the same research issue should be willing to participate in collaborative studies with other CDC-sponsored researchers, including using common data collection instruments, specimen collection protocols, and data management procedures, as determined in post-award grantee planning conferences. Applicants will be required to pool data for analysis and publication. Applicants are also required to:

A. Develop the research study protocol and data collection forms.

B. Identify, recruit, obtain informed consent from, and enroll an adequate number of study participants as determined by the study protocol and the program requirements.

C. Continue to follow study participants as determined by the study protocol.

D. Establish procedures to maintain the rights and confidentiality of all study participants.

E. Perform laboratory tests (when appropriate) and data analysis as determined in the study protocol.