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Name of TRC: The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality—"Maintain and Expand the Healthcare Cost and Utilization Project (HCUP)".

Date: June 14, 2000 (Closed to the public).

Place: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, 6010 Executive Blvd., 4th Floor Conference Center, Room D, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

Contact Person: Anyone wishing to obtain information regarding this meeting should contact Jenny Schnaier, Center for Organization and Delivery Systems, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, 2102 East Jefferson Street, Suite 605, Rockville, Maryland, 20852, 301-594-6827.

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personal information concerning individuals associated with the proposals. Such information is exempt from disclosure under the above-cited FACA provision that protects the free exchange of candid views, and under the procurement rules that prevent undue interference with Committee and Department operations.

Name of TRC: The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality—"Internet-based Distance Learning".

Date: June 16, 2000 (Closed to the public).

Place: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, 6010 Executive Blvd., 4th Floor Conference Center, Room B, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

Contact Person: Anyone wishing to obtain information regarding this meeting should contact Sandra Robinson, Center for Quality Measurement and Improvement, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, 2101 East Jefferson Street, Suite 502, Rockville, Maryland 20852, 301-594-1703.

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in response to the above-referenced RFP are likely to reveal proprietary and personal information concerning individuals associated with the proposals. Such information is exempt from disclosure under the above-cited FACA provision that protects the free exchange of candid views, and under the procurement rules that prevent undue interference with Committee and Department operations.

Name of TRC: The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality—"Lifedata.com: A Repository of Health Related Quality of Life Instruments."

Date: June 16, 2000 (Closed to the public).

Place: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, 6010 Executive Blvd., 4th Floor Conference Center, Room B, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

Contact Person: Anyone wishing to obtain information regarding this meeting should contact Yen-Pin Chiang, Center for Outcomes and Effectiveness Research, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, 6010 Executive Blvd., Suite 300, Rockville, Maryland 20852, 301-594-4035.

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Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

Contract Review Meeting

In accordance with section 10(a) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act as amended (5 U.S.C., Appendix 2), announcement is made of an Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) Technical Review Committee (TRC) meeting. This TRC's charge is to provide review of contract proposals and recommendations to the Administrator, AHRQ, regarding the technical merit of proposals submitted in response to a Request for Proposals (RFPs) regarding "Internet-based Distance Learning", issued on April 21, 2000. The contract will constitute AHRQ's participation in the Small Business Innovation Research program.

The upcoming TRC meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), section, 10(d) of 5 U.S.C., Appendix 2, implementing regulations, and procurement regulations, 41 CFR 101-6.1023 and 48 CFR section 315.604(d). The discussions at this meeting of contract proposals submitted in response to the above-referenced RFP are likely to reveal proprietary and

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

[Program Announcement 00070]

Implementation of the National Arthritis Action Plan: Arthritis Education and Control; Notice of Availability of FY 2000 Funds

A. Purpose

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the availability of fiscal year (FY) 2000 funds for a grant with the Edward E. Roybal Comprehensive Health Center to assist with the development and implementation of arthritis education and control activities consistent with the National Arthritis Action Plan: A Public Health Strategy (NAAP).

CDC is committed to achieving the health promotion and disease prevention objectives of "Healthy People 2010" a national activity to reduce morbidity and mortality and improve the quality of life. This announcement is related to focus area of Arthritis, Osteoporosis, and Chronic Back Conditions. For the conference copy of "Healthy People 2010," visit the internet site <http://www.health.gov/healthypeople>.

Although the NAAP lays out a vision and a framework for addressing the arthritis burden nationwide, it also details other strategic initiatives requiring a coordinated, responsible approach involving all levels of the public health structure (national, State, and local); public and private agencies involved in research activities addressing arthritis; health care systems and health care providers. The values of NAAP are to emphasize prevention at all levels (primary, secondary, and tertiary); to use and expand the science base; to seek social equity (*e.g.*, addressing issues faced by the uninsured or under-insured, the poor, the disabled, and minority populations); and to build partnerships. Little is known about arthritis self-management knowledge, attitudes and behaviors among Hispanic populations—nor knowledge, attitudes and treatment strategies among the health care providers who treat arthritis in these populations. While a variety of arthritis self-management programs are available, few have had rigorous evaluation in minority populations.

The purpose of this arthritis education program is to investigate program delivery mechanisms to identify those that adequately engage minority populations. Specific activities to be implemented should target Hispanic populations and may include the development, dissemination or evaluation of existing or modified self management programs, programs to improve early diagnosis and treatment of arthritis, assessment of the use of complementary and alternative treatments for arthritis; the assessment of knowledge, attitudes and behaviors about arthritis; the assessment of knowledge, attitudes, and treatment behaviors among primary care providers providing care in these populations; and validation of commonly used survey tools (*e.g.*, Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) questions addressing arthritis).

B. Eligible Applicant

Assistance will be provided only to the Edward E. Roybal Comprehensive Health Center, 245 S. Fetterly Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90022. No other applications will be solicited. This sole source solicitation is based on the Conference Report (H.R. Rep. 106–479) at 601 (1999) to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2000, Public Law 106–113, which earmarks funding for the Roybal Center in Los Angeles for a program in arthritis care and education.

C. Availability of Funds

Approximately \$603,000 is available in FY 2000 to fund this award. It is expected that the award will begin on or about September 1, 2000, and will be made for a 12-month budget period within a project period of one year. Funding estimates may change.

D. Where To Obtain Additional Information

For this and other announcements see the CDC home page on the Internet to obtain a copy of the announcement: <http://www.cdc.gov>

If you have questions after reviewing the contents of all the documents, business management technical assistance may be obtained from: Glynnis D. Taylor, Grants Management Specialist, Grants Management Branch, Procurement and Grants Office, Announcement 00070, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), 2920 Brandywine Road, Room 3000, Atlanta, GA 30341–4146 telephone (770) 488–2752, E-mail address: gld1@cdc.gov

For program technical assistance, contact: Teresa J. Brady, Ph.D., Arthritis Program, Division of Adult and Community Health, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 4770 Buford Highway NE., Atlanta, GA, 30341–3717, Telephone (770) 488–5856, E-mail address: tob9@cdc.gov

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

[Program Announcement 00140]

Announcement Grant to the Marin County Department of Health and Human Services, California

A. Purpose

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the availability of fiscal year (FY) 2000 funds for a grant to the Marin County Department of Health and Human Services (MCDHHS) in California to evaluate the high incidence of breast cancer in Marin County.

CDC is committed to achieving the health promotion and disease prevention objectives of “Healthy People 2010,” a national activity to reduce mortality and morbidity and improve the quality of life. This announcement is related to the focus area of cancer. For the conference copy of “Healthy People 2010,” visit the Internet site: <http://www.health.gov/healthypeople>

The purpose of the program is for MCDHHS community-based investigation of the high incidence of breast cancer and possible causes of increased risks of breast cancer in this region of California.

B. Eligible Applicant

Assistance will be provided only to the Marin County Department of Health and Human Services, California. No other applications are solicited. The sole source justification is based on the Congressional language in FY 2000 CDC appropriation, which earmarked funding for Marin County Department of Health and Human Services, Marin County, California.

Note: Public Law 104–65 states that an organization described in section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 that engages in lobbying activities is not eligible to receive Federal funds constituting an award, grant, cooperative agreement, contract, loan, or any other form.

C. Availability of Funds

Approximately \$250,000 is available in FY 2000 to fund the MCDHHS. It is expected that the award will begin on or about September 30, 2000, for a 12 month budget period with a project period of up to 18 months.

Use of Funds

The grant funds may not be expended to provide inpatient hospital or treatment services. Treatment is defined as any service recommended by a clinician, including medical and surgical intervention provided in the management of a diagnosed condition.

D. Program Requirements

In conducting activities to achieve the purpose of this project, the recipient shall be responsible for the following activities:

1. Investigate suspected environmental risk factors for breast cancer.
2. Develop, implement, and evaluate effective collaborations among public, non-profit and private partners to achieve and support breast cancer control objectives.
3. Develop and evaluate training for professionals in cancer early detection,