

- (15) Quality of Life
- (16) Uninsured
- (17) Disabled/Disability
- (18) Low Income Populations
- (19) Quality of Care
- (20) EMS (for all populations, with a special interest in children)
- (21) Dual Eligibles

### Geographic Coverage

Applications are sought for research products that are national in scope or generalizable to the nation. Research covering a single community, multiple communities, a single state, or a single region are not acceptable and will not be reviewed.

Criteria and Maximum Points: Applications will be evaluated on the basis of the following criteria:

- Principal Investigator and Support Personnel (25 Points) [This criterion includes evaluation of qualifications and achievements of principal investigator and support personnel, as well as multidisciplinary mix of personnel.]
- Organizational, Physical and Institutional Arrangements and Institutional Commitment to Rural Research (10 points) [This criterion includes evaluation of administrative capabilities to manage research activities and accounting capabilities to manage grant funds.]
- Project Proposal (30 points).
- Budget (5 points).
- Demonstrated Commitment and Experience in Rural Health Research, Policy or Service (15 points).
- Research Applicability to National Issues, Policy Relevance and Breadth of Scope (*e.g.*, geographic coverage) (15 points).

*Eligibility Requirements:* Eligibility is open to public, private, and non-profit—including faith-based and community-based—organizations. Institutions that received a Rural Health Research Center Award covering September 1, 2000–August 31, 2004 and those with Fiscal Year 2000–2003 ORHP awards under special congressional initiatives are ineligible for this grant program. Although multiple applications may be submitted, only one award will be made to the same entity. Receipt of a grant will not disqualify the recipient from the Rural Health Research Center competition in 2004.

In addition to the above criteria, applicants must be capable of receiving the grant funds directly and must have the capability to manage the project. Applicants must be able to exercise administrative and program direction over the grant project; must have the administrative and accounting capabilities to manage the grant funds;

and must have some permanent research staff at the time the application is submitted.

*Matching Requirements:* Applicant will not be required to match or share the project cost if an award is made.

*Funding Preferences:* A funding preference will be awarded to any qualified applicant that demonstrates substantial inclusion of the following in the project proposal: The applicant is, or is located within, an institution of higher learning or a department or agency within a State or local government. Institutions of higher learning are preferred because they bring academic knowledge and expertise to the application of new scientific techniques to solve the complex problems of rural communities. It is essential that research conclusions are based on the knowledgeable application of scientific research techniques that an institution of higher learning can provide. Departments or agencies within a State or local government are preferred because of their expertise in assessing the impacts of national policies on state governance and rural communities. This expertise provides their research with a unique policy-oriented perspective about rural communities and their members. Approved applications that receive a funding preference will be ranked ahead of those that receive no preference. Applications recommended for approval that do not receive a preference will be given full and equitable consideration but will not be funded until all applications recommended for approval that do receive the preference and fall within the funding line are funded. The funding line is the threshold score that determines the cut-off point for funding in a given fiscal year as determined by available funds. Applicants who are eligible for a preference and wish to receive it, must request a preference by following the instructions described in the application kit.

*Special considerations:* HRSA wants to fund a variety of research areas in making new awards under this announcement. Therefore, HRSA will consider the variety of research areas when selecting which applications to fund or those recommended for approval. See the list of 21 research areas in the Research Areas section above.

HRSA wants to achieve a geographic balance among awardees in making new awards under this announcement. Therefore, HRSA will consider geographic distribution when selecting which applications to fund of those recommended for approval.

### Executive Order 12372

This grant program is subject to the provisions of Executive Order 12372 concerning intergovernmental review of Federal programs by appropriate health planning agencies as implemented by 45 CFR part 100. Executive Order 12372 allows States the option of setting up a system for reviewing applications from within their States for assistance under certain Federal programs. Applicants (other than Federally-recognized Indian tribal governments) should contact their State Single Point of Contact (SPOC), a list of which will be included in the application kit, as early as possible to alert them to the prospective applications and receive any necessary instructions on the State process. For proposed projects serving more than one State, the applicant is advised to contact the SPOC of each affected State.

The due date for State process recommendations is 60 days after the application deadline for new applications. The granting agency does not guarantee to “accommodate or explain” State process recommendations it receives after that date. (*See* part 148 of the PHS Grants Administration Manual, Intergovernmental Review of PHS Programs under Executive Order 12372, and 45 CFR part 100 for a description of the review process and requirements).

Dated: May 15, 2003.

**Elizabeth M. Duke,**

*Administrator.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Health Resources and Services Administration

#### Title III Early Intervention Services Program, Existing Geographic Areas (EISEGA); CFDA 93.918; HRSA 04–005

**AGENCY:** Health Resources and Services Administration, HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of funds.

**SUMMARY:** The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) announces the anticipated availability of fiscal year (FY) 2004 funds to be awarded under the Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resources Emergency (CARE) Act Title III Early Intervention Services (EIS) Program for existing geographic areas to support outpatient HIV early intervention and primary care services for low-income, medically underserved people in

existing primary care systems. Grants will be awarded for a 3-year period.

**Program Purpose:** The purpose of this funding is to provide, on an ongoing outpatient basis, high quality, culturally competent, early intervention services/primary care to individuals with HIV infection. This is accomplished by increasing the present capacity and capability of eligible ambulatory health services entities. These expanded services become a part of a continuum of HIV prevention and care for individuals who are at risk for HIV infection or are HIV infected.

**Program Requirements:** As described in section 2651(b) of the Public Health Service Act, funded programs must provide the following services on an outpatient basis:

(A) Counseling individuals with respect to HIV disease;

(B) Testing individuals with respect to HIV disease, including tests to confirm the presence of the disease, tests to diagnose the extent of the deficiency in the immune system, and tests to provide information on appropriate therapeutic measures for preventing and treating the deterioration of the immune system and for preventing and treating conditions arising from the disease;

(C) Referrals of individuals with HIV disease to appropriate providers of health and support services;

(D) Other clinical and diagnostic services regarding HIV disease and periodic medical evaluations of individuals with the disease; and,

(E) Providing therapeutic measures as described in (B).

Funded programs must provide the proposed services directly and/or through formal agreements with public or nonprofit private entities. They may also provide services through agreements with private for-profit entities if such entities are the only available providers of quality HIV care in the area. A minimum of 50 percent of funds awarded MUST be spent on primary care services as described in items B–E above. No more than 10 percent of funds awarded may be spent on administration, including planning and evaluation.

**Eligible Applicants:** Applicants are limited to public or private nonprofit entities that are currently funded under the Title III program whose project periods expire in FY 04 and other public or private nonprofit organizations, which meet the qualifications as described in section 2652(a) of the PHS Act, proposing to serve the same populations currently being served by these existing projects. Faith-based and community-based organizations which meet these

qualifications are eligible to apply. The available service areas are:

**State and Service Areas of Project Periods Ending 12/31/03 and 3/31/04**

AL AUTAUGA; LOWNDES; BUTLER; DALLAS; CHILTON; ELMORE; MACON; BULLOCK; LEE; RUSSELL; PIKE; BARBOUR; DALE; GENEVA; HOUSTON; CRENSHAW; CONECUH; COFFEE; CHAMBERS; TALLAPOOSA; WILCOX; MONROE; PERRY, CALHOUN; CHAMBERS; CLEBURNE; COOSA; CLAY; CHEROKEE; DEKALB; ETOWAH; RANDOLPH; TALLADEGA; TALLAPOOSA, COLBERT; CULLMAN; FRANKLIN; JACKSON; LAUDERDALE; LAWRENCE; LIMESTONE; MADISON; MARION; MARSHALL; MORGAN; WINSTON, MOBILE; BALDWIN  
AZ PIMA; TUCSON, MARICOPA; YAVAPAI; GILA; PINAL  
CA SAN BERNARDINO, SAN FRANCISCO, SAN JOAQUIN; SOLANO; YOLO; CALAVERAS, LOS ANGELES, ALAMEDA, SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, SANTA CLARA, SANTA CRUZ; MONTEREY, ORANGE, NORTH SAN DIEGO COUNTY  
DC DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
FL DADE; MIAMI, MIAMI BEACH; SOUTH BEACH; NORTHSIDE; NORMANDY ISLE, MONROE; KEY WEST; MARATHON; TAVENIER  
GA BULLOCH; CANDLER; EVANS; TOOMBS; TATNALL; JEFF DAVIS; APPLING; WAYNE; COFFEE; BACON; PIERCE; BRANTLEY; ATKINSON; WARE; CHARLTON; CLINCH, FULTON; DEKALB, BURKE; COLUMBIA; EMANUEL; GLASCOCK; JEFFERSON; JENKINS; LINCOLN; MCDUFFIE; RICHMOND; SCREVEN; TALIAFERRO; WARREN; WILKES, CHATHAM; EFFINGHAM; LIBERTY; BRYAN; GLYNN, FULTON, BALDWIN; BIBB; CRAWFORD; HANCOCK; HOUSTON; JASPER; JONES; MONROE; DEKALB; PUTNAM; TWIGGS; WASHINGTON; WILKINSON, BUTTS; CARROLL; COWETA; FAYETTE; HEARD; LAMAR; MERIWETHER; PIKE; SPALDING; TROUP; UPSON  
HI MAUI; WAIKIKI  
IL COOK, WINNEBAGO; JO DAVIESS; STEPHENSON; WHITESIDE; LEE; OGLE; BOONE; MCHENRY; DEKALB  
IN MARION  
KS SEDGWICK; CHEYENNE; RAWLINS; DECATUR; NORTON; SMITH; JEWELL; REPUBLIC; SHERMAN; THOMAS; SHERIDAN; GRAHAM; ROOKS; OSBORNE; MITCHELL; CLOUD; WALLACE; LOGAN; GOVE; TREGO; ELLIS; RUSSELL; LINCOLN; OTTAWA; BARTON; ELLSWORTH; SALINE; RICE; MCPHERSON; DICKINSON; MARION; STAFFORD; RENO; HARVEY; PRATT; KINGMAN; BUTLER; GREENWOOD; GREELEY; WICHITA; SCOTT; LANE; NESS; RUSH; HAMILTON; KEARNY; FINNEY; HODGEMAN; PAWNEE; STANTON; GRANT; HASKELL; GRAY; FORD; KIOWA; EDWARDS; MORTON; STEVENS; SEWARD; MEADE; CLARK; COMANCHE; BARBER; HARPER; SUMNER; COWLEY; CHAUTAUQUA; ELK; CHASE; WOODSON; ANDERSON;

LINN; ALLEN; BOURBON; WILSON; NEOSHO; CRAWFORD; MONTGOMERY; LABETTE; CHEROKEE, JOHNSON; WYANDOTTE; MIAMI; LEAVENWORTH  
LA CALCASIEU; ALLEN; BEAUREGARD; CAMERON; JEFFERSON DAVIS; WASHINGTON  
MA HAMPDEN; FRANKLIN  
MI KENT; LAKE; IONIA; MUSKOGON; OCEANA; NEWAYGO; MASON; MANISTEE  
MI WAYNE; OAKLAND; MACOMB; LAPEER; ST. CLAIR; MONROE  
MO VERNON; BARTON; JASPER; NEWTON; MCDONALD; CEDAR; ST. CLAIR; DADE; LAWRENCE; BARRY; HICKORY; POLK; GREENE; CHRISTIAN; STONE; TANEY; DALLAS; WEBSTER; DOUGLAS; OZARK; LACLEDE; WRIGHT; PULASKI; TEXAS; HOWELL; PHELPS; DENT; SHANNON; OREGON, JACKSON; CLAY; RAY; PLATTE; CASS; CLINTON; LAFAYETTE  
MS ATTALA; BOLIVAR; CARROLL; HOLMES; HUMPHREYS; LEFLORE; MONTGOMERY; SUNFLOWER; COAHOMA; TUNICA; DESOTO; TATE; PANOLA; QUITMAN; TALLAHATCHIE; SUNFLOWER; COVINGTON; ISSAQUENA; JONES; HUMPHREYS; HOLMES; WAYNE; SHARKEY; YAZOO; WARREN; LAMAR; CLAIBORNE; HINDS; MADISON; FORREST; PERRY; ATTALA; COPIAH; GREENE; RANKIN; SIMPSON; PEARL RIVER; LEAKE; NESHOMA; STONE; KEMPER; SCOTT; NEWTON; GEORGE; LAUDERDALE; SMITH; JASPER; CLARKE; JEFFERSON DAVIS  
NC AVERY; BUNCOMBE; HAYWOOD; HENDERSON; MADISON; MITCHELL; MCDOWELL; RUTHERFORD; TRANSYLVANIA; POLK; YANCEY, ALAMANCE; CASWELL; CHATHAM; DAVIDSON; DAVIE; FORSYTH; GUILFORD; LEE; ORANGE; RANDOLPH; ROCKINGHAM; STOKES; SURRY; YADKIN, FRANKLIN; VANCE; WARREN; GRANVILLE; PERSON  
NJ ESSEX; UNION  
NM BERNALILLO; CIBOLA; MCKINLEY; SANDOVAL; SAN JUAN; VALENCIA; TORRANCE; SOCORRO, DONA ANA; OTERO; SIERRA; LUNA; HIDALGO; GRANT; CATRON; DEBACA; ROOSEVELT; LINCOLN; CHAVES; LEA; EDDY; GUADALUPE  
NV WASHOE, CLARK  
NY ERIE; CHAUTAUQUA; NIAGARA; CATTARAUGUS; WYOMING; ALLEGANY; ORLEANS; GENESEE, NEW YORK, BRONX; STATEN ISLAND, MANHATTAN; NEW YORK, KINGS, LIVINGSTON; MONROE; ONTARIO; SENECA; YATES; CHEMUNG; SCHUYLER; STEUBEN, QUEENS  
OH HAMILTON; CLERMONT; BROWN; BUTLER; KENTON; HIGHLAND; FAYETTE; CLINTON; WARREN; CAMPBELL; BOONE; GRANT; KENTUCKY; OHIO; ADAMS, CUYAHOGA; LORAIN; ASHTABULA; LAKE  
OK ADAIR; CHEROKEE; CRAIG; CREEK; DELAWARE; HASKELL; LATIMER; LE FLORE; MAYES; MCINTOSH; MUSKOGEE; NOWATA; OKFUSKEE;

OKMULGEE; OSAGE; OTTAWA;  
PAWNEE; PITTSBURG; ROGERS;  
SEQUOYAH; TULSA; WAGONER;  
WASHINGTON

PA PHILADELPHIA, LEHIGH;  
NORTHAMPTON, BEAVER; BUTLER;  
ARMSTRONG; INDIANA; CAMBRIA;  
SOMERSET; WESTMORELAND;  
FAYETTE; GREENE; WASHINGTON

PR SAN JUAN, HUMACAO; CAGUAS;  
NAGUABO; SAN LORENZO; LAS  
PIEDRAS; GURABO; JUNCOS; FAJARDO

RI BRISTOL; KENT; NEWPORT;  
PROVIDENCE; WASHINGTON

TX COLLIN; DALLAS; DENTON; ELLIS;  
HENDERSON; HUNT; KAUFMAN;  
ROCKWALL; DENTON; JOHNSON;  
PARKER; TARRANT, HARRIS, BASTROP;  
BLANCO; BURNET; CALDWELL;  
FAYETTE; HAYS; LEE; LLANO; TRAVIS;  
WILLIAMSON, ERATH; SOMERVELL;  
PALO PINTO; JOHNSON; HOOD;  
DENTON; NAVARRO; WISE; ELLIS;  
ROCKWALL; HUNT; TAYLOR;  
SHACKELFORD; RUNNELS;  
THROCKMORTON

UT BEAVER; BOX ELDER; CACHE;  
CARBON; DAGGETT; DAVIS; DUCHESNE;  
EMERY; GARFIELD; GRAND; IRON; JUAB;  
KANE; MILLARD; MORGAN; PIUTE;  
RICH; SALT LAKE; SAN JUAN; SANPETE;  
SEVIER; SUMMIT; TOOELE; UINTAH;  
UTAH; WASATCH; WASHINGTON;  
WAYNE; WEBER

**State and Service Area of Project Periods  
Ending 6/30/04 or 9/29/04**

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PULASKI; LONOKE; PRAIRIE,  
CRITTENDEN; CROSS; LEE; MISSISSIPPI;  
MONROE; ST. FRANCIS; WOODRUFF

CA LOS ANGELES; KERN

CT NEW HAVEN; FAIRFIELD

FL BROWARD; ST. LUCIE; MARTIN; FT.  
PIERCE; INDIANTOWN; COLLIER

IA IOWA, DALLAS; POLK; WARREN,  
BUREAU; APPANOOSE; CEDAR;  
CLINTON; DAVIS; DES MOINES; HENRY;  
IOWA; JACKSON; JEFFERSON; JOHNSON;  
KEOKUK; LEE; LOUISA; MAHASKA;  
MONROE; MUSCATINE; POWESHIEK;  
SCOTT; VAN BUREN; WAPELLO;  
WASHINGTON; HANCOCK; WARREN;  
HENDERSON; KNOX; MCDONOUGH;  
MERCER; ROCK ISLAND; WHITESIDE

ID ADA; BOISE; ELMORE; VALLEY;  
OWYHEE; CANYON; GEM; PAYETTE;  
WASHINGTON; ADAMS; BUTTE;  
BINGHAM; POWER; BANNOCK;  
CARIBOU; ONEIDA; FRANKLIN; BEAR  
LAKE

KY PIKE

LA WASHINGTON

MA BARNSTABLE; PLYMOUTH;  
WORCESTER; SUFFOLK; NORFOLK

MI WAYNE

MS BOLIVAR; SUNFLOWER;  
WASHINGTON; LA

MT BEAVERHEAD; BIG HORN; BLAINE;  
BROADWATER; CARBON; CARTER;  
CASCADE; CHOUTEAU; CUSTER;  
DANIELS; DAWSON; DEER LODGE;  
FALLON; FERGUS; FLATHEAD;  
GALLATIN; GARFIELD; GLACIER;

GOLDEN VALLEY; GRANITE; HILL;  
JUDITH BASIN; LAKE; LEWIS AND  
CLARK; LIBERTY; LINCOLN; MCCONE;  
MADISON; MEAGHER; MINERAL;  
MISSOULA; MUSSELSHELL; PARK;  
PETROLEUM; PHILLIPS; PONDERA;  
POWELL; PRAIRIE; RAVALLI;  
ROOSEVELT; ROSEBUD; SANDERS;  
SILVER BOW; STILLWATER; SWEET  
GRASS; TETON; TOOLE; TREASURE;  
VALLEY; WHEATLAND; WIBAUX;  
YELLOWSTONE; YELLOWSTONE  
NATIONAL PARK

NC DURHAM; WAKE; ORANGE;  
GRANVILLE; VANCE

NJ UNION; MONMOUTH; MERCER;  
MIDDLESEX; SOMERSET; HUNTERDON

NY ALBANY; RENSSELAER;  
WESTCHESTER; PUTNAM; DUTCHESS;  
COLUMBIA; ORANGE; ULSTER; BRONX

PA PHILADELPHIA; YORK

PR LARES; BARRANQUITAS; CAMUY;  
CIALES; CIDRA; COMERIO; COROZAL;  
FLORIDA; NARANJITO; HATILLO;  
PATILLAS; OROCOVIN; GURABO;  
CAGUAS; SAN LORENZO; CIDRA;  
CAYEY; MAYAGUEZ; SAN SEBASTIAN;  
WESTERN PUERTO RICO

SC BEAUFORT; HAMPTON; JASPER

TX BEXAR

VA COVINGTON CITY; CLIFTON FORGE  
CITY; ALLEGHANY; BOTETCOURT;  
CRAIG; ROANOKE CITY; SALEM CITY;  
ROANOKE; AMHERST; APPOMATTOX;  
BEDFORD; BEDFORD CITY; CAMPBELL;  
LYNCHBURG CITY; BUCHANAN;  
DICKENSON; RUSSELL; TAZEWELL;  
DANVILLE CITY; PITTSYLVANIA;  
FRANKLIN; HENRY; MARTINSVILLE  
CITY; PATRICK; LEE; NORTON CITY;  
SCOTT; WISE; BLAND; BRISTOL CITY;  
CARROLL; GALAX CITY; GRAYSON;  
SMYTH; WASHINGTON; WYTHE;  
FLOYD; GILES; PULASKI; RADFORD  
CITY; AUGUSTA; BATH; HIGHLAND;  
ROCKBRIDGE; ROCKINGHAM;  
FREDERICK; PAGE; SHENANDOAH;  
CLARKE; WARREN; CULPEPER;  
FAUQUIER; MADISON; ORANGE;  
RAPPAHANNOCK; ALBERMARLE;  
FLUVANNA; GREENE; LOUISA; NELSON;  
CAROLINE; KING GEORGE;  
SPOTSYLVANIA; STAFFORD

VT ADDISON; BENNINGTON;  
CALEDONIA; CHITTENDEN; ESSEX;  
FRANKLIN; GRAND ISLE; LAMOILLE;  
ORANGE; ORLEANS; RUTLAND;  
WASHINGTON; WINDHAM; WINDSOR

WI DANE; ADAMS; BUFFALO;  
CRAWFORD; COLUMBIA; DODGE;  
GREEN; FOND DU LAC; CALUMET;  
PEPIN; TREMPLEALEAU; JACKSON; LA  
CROSSE; MONROE; VERNON; GRANT;  
LAFAYETTE; IOWA; JEFFERSON; SAUK;  
RICHLAND; JUNEAU; MARQUETTE;  
WAUSHARA; WAUPACA; WINNEBAGO;  
SHEBOYGAN; ROCK; GREEN LAKE

section, (1) HRSA shall give preference to applicants that will expend the grant under section 2651 to provide early intervention under such section in rural areas; and (2) HRSA shall give special consideration to areas that are underserved with respect to such services. These may include organizations serving communities of color that are highly affected by HIV/AIDS.

*Authorizing Legislation:* The EIS program is authorized by section 2651(a) of the Public Health Service Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 300ff-51)

*Availability of Funds:* Approximately \$71,268,567 will be available for this initiative. HRSA expects to fund approximately 120 grants. These estimates are subject to change if an appropriations act providing otherwise is enacted. The project and budget periods for approved projects will begin on January 1, April 1, July 1 and September 30, 2004. Continuation awards within the project period will be made on the basis of satisfactory progress and the availability of funds.

*Application Deadline:* Applications for this grant for programs with project periods ending 12/31/03 or 3/31/04 must be received in the HRSA Grants Application Center by close of business July 21, 2003. The applications for this grant for programs with project periods ending 6/30/04 or 9/29/04 must be received by December 22, 2003. New proposals for existing service areas must apply by the same deadline that existing programs serving those areas must meet. Applications shall be considered as meeting the deadline if they are either (1) received on or before the deadline date or (2) postmarked on or before the deadline date, and received in time for submission to the objective review panel. A legible dated receipt from a commercial carrier or the U.S. Postal Service will be accepted instead of a postmark. Private metered postmarks will not be accepted as proof of timely mailing. Grant applications postmarked after the deadline may be returned.

*Where to Request and Send an Application:* To obtain the official grant application kit (Form PHS-5161-1) and program guidance materials for this announcement call the HRSA Grant Application Center at 877-477-2123 and request the OMB Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance number 93.918A, HRSA 04-005, Program Code EISEGA. HRSA anticipates accepting grant applications online in the last quarter of the fiscal year (July through September). Please refer to the HRSA Grants Schedule at <http://www.hrsa.gov/grants/> for more information.

*Funding Priorities and/or Preferences:* HRSA shall give preference to applicants experiencing an increase in the burden of providing services regarding HIV disease, as described in Section 2653 of the PHS Act. Under section 2653(d), of the applicants who qualify for preference under this

**ADDRESSES:** All applications should be mailed or delivered to HRSA Grant Application Center, 901 Russell Avenue, Suite 450, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20879. Grant applications sent to any other address may be returned. The Internet address for HAB is <http://www.hab.hrsa.gov>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Additional information related to the program may be requested from the Division of Community Based Programs, HIV/AIDS Bureau, HRSA, 5600 Fishers Lane Room 7A-30, Rockville, Maryland 20857. The telephone number is (301) 443-0493; and the fax number is (301) 443-1884.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

Applications will be reviewed by an objective review committee. The review criteria will include: (1) Justification of need, (2) organizational capabilities and experience, (3) coordination and linkage with other HIV programs, (4) adequacy of scope of work for providing early intervention services, (5) work plan, (6) program evaluation, (7) appropriateness and justification of budget, and (8) adherence to program guidance.

There is no matching requirement for this program.

Public Health System Reporting Requirements: Under these requirements (approved under OMB No. 0937-0195), a community-based, non-governmental applicant must prepare and submit a Public Health System Impact Statement to the head of the appropriate State and local health agencies in the area(s) to be impacted no later than the Federal application receipt due date. This statement must include (1) A copy of the face page of the application (SF424) and (2) A summary of the project, not to exceed one page, which provides (a) a description of the population to be served; (b) a summary of the services to be provided; and (c) a description of the coordination planned with the appropriate State and local health agencies.

*Executive Order 12372:* This program has been determined to be a program which is subject to the provision of Executive Order 12372 concerning intergovernmental review of Federal programs by appropriate health planning agencies, as implemented by 45 CFR part 100. Executive Order 12372 allows States the option of setting up a system for reviewing applications from within their States for assistance under certain Federal programs. The application packages to be made available under this notice contain a listing of States that have chosen to set up such a review system and will

provide a single point of contact (SPOC) in the States for review. Applicants (other than federally-recognized Indian tribal governments) should contact their State SPOC as early as possible to alert them to the prospective applications and receive any necessary instructions on the State process. For proposed projects serving more than one State, the applicant is advised to contact the SPOC of each affected State. The due date for the State process recommendations is 60 days after the application deadline for new and competing awards. The granting agency does not guarantee to "accommodate or explain" for State process recommendations it receives after that date. (See Part 148, Intergovernmental Review of Public Health Service Programs under Executive Order 12372 and 45 CFR part 100 for a description of the review process and requirements).

Dated: May 12, 2003.

**Elizabeth M. Duke,**  
Administrator.

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY**

**Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services**

**Agency Information Collection Activities: Comment Request**

**ACTION:** 60-Day Notice of Information Collection Under Review; Application to Preserve Residence for Naturalization; Form N-470.

The Department of Homeland Security, Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services has submitted the following information collection request for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The proposed information collection is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for sixty days until August 4, 2003.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information should address one or more of the following four points:

(1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies estimate of the burden of the

proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology. *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of responses.

Overview of this information collection:

(1) *Type of Information Collection:* Extension of currently approved collection.

(2) *Title of the Form/Collection:* Application to Reserve Residence for Naturalization.

(3) *Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Justice sponsoring the collection:* Form N-470. Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services.

*Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as brief abstract:* Primary: Individuals or households. The information furnished on this form will be used to determine whether an alien who intends to be absent from the United States for a period of one year or more is eligible to preserve residence for naturalization purposes.

(5) *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:* 375 responses at 1 hour per response.

(6) *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* 375 annual burden hours.

If you have additional comments, suggestions, or need a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions, or additional information, please contact Richard A. Sloan 202-514-3291, Director, Regulations and Forms Services Division, Bureau of Customs and Immigration Enforcement, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Room 4304, 425 I Street, NW., Washington, DC 20536. Additionally, comments and/or suggestions regarding the item(s) contained in this notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden and associated response time may also be directed to Mr. Richard A. Sloan.

If additional information is required contact: Mr. Lewis Oleinick, Clearance Officer, United States Department of Homeland Security, 1800 G Street, NW., 10th Floor, Washington, DC 20530.