

Respondents	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden per response (in hours)
Questionnaire Preparation Booklet .....	960	1	30/60
Group Member Information .....	960	1	5/60
Consent Forms .....	960	1	5/60
Interview Booklet .....	167	1	30/60
Medical History Questionnaire (male) .....	520	1	2
Medical History Questionnaire (female) .....	520	1	2
Medical Records Release Telephone Script .....	40	1	5/60
Thyroid Exam .....	520	1	1
Travel Form .....	80	1	20/60
Residence History .....	167	1	5/60
Refusal Questionnaire .....	8	1	5/60

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**

[Program Announcement 04084]

**Development and Testing of New Antimalarial Drugs; Notice of Intent To Fund Single Eligibility Award**

**A. Purpose**

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the intent to fund fiscal year (FY) 2004 funds for a cooperative agreement program to support research projects to develop and test new antimalarial drugs. The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number for this program is 93.283.

**B. Eligible Applicant**

Assistance will be provided only to the University of Mississippi. The FY 2000 United States Senate Labor-Health and Human Services Appropriations Report: Report 106-166 (S 1650), recognized the unique qualifications of the consortium headed by the University of Mississippi School of Pharmacy, that includes the Department of Medicinal Chemistry the Laboratory for Applied Drug Design and Synthesis, the Thad Cochran Center for Natural Products, the Tulane University Center for Infectious Diseases and the Tulane National Primate Research Center for carrying out the activities specified in this cooperative agreement and directed CDC to provide research funding to the consortium. These organizations in the past three years have worked in a unique partnership through a CDC

cooperative agreement to analyze and use natural products as antimalarial agents, set-up state of the art chemical synthesis and organic product laboratories, refine lead drug candidates and target molecules, conduct and organize phase I and II clinical trials, and conduct *in-vitro* and *in-vivo* therapeutic evaluations of drug activities and efficacies. No other consortia of this type or identity as headed by the University of Mississippi School of Pharmacy exists at this time in the public/academic realm that has all these elements working together as a unit, which is necessary to conduct rationale drug development. House Report 108-401 directed the continuation of this work in FY 2004. The project supports the ongoing activities of CDC in the global control and prevention of malaria and the goals to protect Americans from infectious diseases and reduce the spread of antimicrobial resistance.

**C. Funding**

Approximately \$5,000,000 is available in FY 2004 to fund this award. It is expected that the award will begin on or before August 1, 2004, and will be made for a 12-month budget period within a project period of up to five years. Funding estimates may change.

**D. Where To Obtain Additional Information**

For general comments or questions about this announcement, contact: Technical Information Management, CDC Procurement and Grants Office, 2920 Brandywine Road, Atlanta, GA 30341-4146, telephone: 770-488-2700.

For technical questions about this program, contact: John W. Barnwell, Ph.D., MPH, Project Officer, 4770 Buford Highway, Atlanta, GA 30341, telephone: 770-488-4528, e-mail: wzb3@cdc.gov.

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**

**Steps to a HealthierUS: National Organization Partnerships; Notice of Availability of Funds**

*Announcement Type:* New.  
*Funding Opportunity Number:* 04134.  
*Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:* 93.283.  
*Key Dates:*  
*Letter of Intent Deadline:* May 14, 2004.

*Application Deadline:* June 8, 2004.  
*Executive Summary:* In June 2002, the President of the United States launched his HealthierUS initiative, which highlights the influence that healthy lifestyles and behaviors—such as making healthful nutritional choices, being physically active, and avoiding tobacco use and exposure—have in achieving and maintaining good health for persons of all ages. In response, the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services created the Steps to a HealthierUS Initiative (hereafter referred to as the Steps Initiative). Steps Initiative activities include national roundtables, conferences, publications, and public-private partnership opportunities.

The centerpiece of the Steps Initiative is a five-year cooperative agreement program (hereafter referred to as the Steps Community Program or Steps Communities). This program funds communities to improve the lives of Americans through innovative and effective community-based health