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4. *Performance Measures:* The Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) of 1993 directs Federal departments and agencies to improve the effectiveness of programs by engaging in strategic planning, setting outcome-related goals for programs, and measuring program results against those goals.

The goal of the RSA Rehabilitation Short-Term Training program is to upgrade the skills of staff currently employed by CAPs, to educate CAP staff on new program developments, and to develop staff skills in strategic and operational planning and direction of CAP services. In order to measure the success of the grantee in meeting this goal, the CAP training grantee is required to conduct an evaluation of the training activities provided. In annual performance reports, the grantee is required to provide specific information on:

- The number of training activities;
- The topics of each training program;
- The number of participants served;
- The target groups represented by participants; and
- Summary data from participant evaluations.

In addition to the required quantitative data that must be collected and submitted each year, the grantee must also provide as part of the grantee's annual report to RSA a qualitative analysis of each year's training activities that assesses the activities in relation to the goal of enhancing the skills and knowledge of personnel currently employed by CAPs.

## VII. Agency Contact

*For Further Information Contact:* Traci DiMartini, U.S. Department of Education, Rehabilitation Services Administration, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Room 5027, PCP, Washington, DC 20202-2800. Telephone: (202) 245-6425 or by e-mail: [traci.dimartini@ed.gov](mailto:traci.dimartini@ed.gov).

If you use a TDD, call the Federal Relay Service (FRS), toll free, at 1-800-877-8339.

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Dated: April 21, 2010.

**Alexa Posny,**

*Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services; Overview Information; Rehabilitation Capacity Building for Traditionally Underserved Populations—Rehabilitation Capacity Building; Notice Inviting Applications for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2010

*Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Numbers:* 84.315C and 84.315D.

*Dates:*

*Applications Available:* April 26, 2010.

*Deadline for Transmittal of Applications:* June 10, 2010.

*Deadline for Intergovernmental Review:* August 9, 2010.

### I. Funding Opportunity Description

*Purpose of Program:* The Rehabilitation Capacity Building for Traditionally Underserved Populations program provides financial assistance for projects that provide training, research, technical assistance, or related activities to improve services provided under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (Act), especially services provided to individuals from minority backgrounds. Section 21 of the Act underscores the importance of increasing the participation of minority entities, as defined under section 21(b)(5) of the Act, in activities funded under the Act and enhancing their capacity to carry out these activities (29 U.S.C. 718).

*Priorities:* These priorities are from the notice of final priorities for this program, published in the **Federal Register** on May 9, 2002 (67 FR 31700). For the purposes of these priorities, a "minority entity" includes a Hispanic-serving institution whose Hispanic student enrollment is 25 percent or more of the institution's student population.

*Absolute Priority:* For FY 2010 and any subsequent year in which we make awards from the list of approved but

unfunded applicants from this competition, these priorities are absolute priorities. Under 34 CFR 75.105(c)(3) we consider only applications that meet these priorities.

These priorities are:

**Priority 1—Establishing New Rehabilitation Training Programs (CFDA Number 84.315C)**

Projects funded must meet the requirements in section 21(b)(2)(B) of the Rehabilitation Act.

Projects must—

(1) Enhance and increase the capacity of minority institutions of higher education to prepare more individuals for careers in the public vocational rehabilitation (VR) program, including individuals from minority backgrounds;

(2) Be located at minority institutions of higher education, including community colleges whose minority student enrollment is at least 50 percent, that are interested in establishing new first-time rehabilitation training programs at the associate degree, undergraduate degree, and graduate degree levels;

(3) Include an evaluation component based upon clear, specific performance and outcome measures; and

(4) Report the results of the evaluation in its annual performance report.

**Priority 2—Capacity Building for Minority Entities (CFDA Number 84.315D)**

Projects funded must meet the requirements in section 21(b)(2)(C) of the Rehabilitation Act.

Projects must—

(1) Provide outreach, capacity building, and technical assistance to minority entities and Indian Tribes to promote their participation in activities funded under the Act, including assistance to carry out those activities;

(2) Provide a variety of training and technical assistance activities, including grant writing workshops that focus on Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) and National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research (NIDRR) discretionary grant programs, the peer review process, selection criteria, training on disability legislation (*i.e.*, Americans with Disabilities Act, Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, *etc.*), and technical assistance to minority entities that are first-time recipients of grants funded under the Act in order to increase their ability to carry out their grants;

(3) Include an evaluation component based upon clear, specific performance and outcome measures; and

(4) Report the results of the evaluation in its annual performance report.

**Program Authority:** 29 U.S.C. 718(b).

**Applicable Regulations:** The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR parts 74, 75, 77, 79, 80, 81, 82, 84, 85, 86, and 99.

**Note:** The regulations in 34 CFR part 79 apply to all applicants except Federally recognized Indian Tribes.

**Note:** The regulations in 34 CFR part 86 apply to institutions of higher education only.

## II. Award Information

**Type of Award:** Discretionary grants.  
**Estimated Available Funds:** \$2,400,000.

**Estimated Range of Awards:** \$150,000–\$200,000 for 315C; \$250,000–\$300,000 for 315D.

**Estimated Average Size of Awards:** \$240,000.

**Maximum Award:** We will reject any application that proposes a budget exceeding \$200,000 for a single budget period of 12 months for 84.315C or exceeds \$300,000 for a single budget period of 12 months for 84.315D. The Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services may change the maximum amount through a notice published in the **Federal Register**.

### Estimated Number of Awards

**Priority 1—CFDA Number 84.315C:** 5.

**Priority 2—CFDA Number 84.315D:** 5.

**Note:** The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

**Project Period:** Up to 60 months.

## III. Eligibility Information

1. **Eligible Applicants:** For priority 1, minority entities as defined under section 21(b)(5) of the Act. Under the Act, the term minority entity means an entity that is a historically black college or university, a Hispanic-serving institution of higher education, an American Indian Tribal college or university, or another institution of higher education whose minority student enrollment is at least 50 percent.

For priority 2, a State or a public or private nonprofit agency or organization, such as an institution of higher education or an Indian Tribe.

2. **Cost Sharing or Matching:** This program does not require cost sharing or matching.

**Note:** Under 34 CFR 75.562(c), an indirect cost reimbursement on a training grant is limited to the recipient's actual indirect costs, as determined in its negotiated indirect cost rate agreement, or eight percent of a modified total direct cost base, whichever amount is less. Indirect costs in excess of this

limit may not be charged directly, used to satisfy matching or cost sharing requirements, or charged to another Federal award.

## IV. Application and Submission Information

### 1. Address To Request Application Package

You can obtain an application package via the Internet or from the Education Publications Center (ED Pubs). To obtain a copy via the Internet, use the following address: <http://www.ed.gov/fund/grant/apply/grantapps/index.html>. To obtain a copy from ED Pubs, write, fax, or call the following: ED Pubs, U.S. Department of Education, P.O. Box 22207, Alexandria, VA 22304. Telephone, toll free: 1-877-433-7827. FAX: (703) 605-6794. If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD), call, toll free: 1-877-576-7734.

You can contact ED Pubs at its Web site, also: <http://www.EDPubs.gov> or at its e-mail address: [edpubs@inet.ed.gov](mailto:edpubs@inet.ed.gov).

If you request an application from ED Pubs, be sure to identify this competition as follows: CFDA number 84.315C or D.

Individuals with disabilities can obtain a copy of the application package in an accessible format (*e.g.*, braille, large print, audiotape, or computer diskette) by contacting the person or team listed under *Accessible Format* in section VIII of this notice.

### 2. Content and Form of Application Submission Requirements Concerning the Content of an Application, Together With the Forms You Must Submit, Are in the Application Package for This Competition

**Page Limit:** The application narrative (Part III of the application) is where you, the applicant, address the selection criteria that reviewers use to evaluate your application. You must limit the application narrative (Part III) to the equivalent of no more than 45 pages, using the following standards:

- A "page" is 8.5" x 11", on one side only, with 1" margins at the top, bottom, and both sides.

- Double space (no more than three lines per vertical inch) all text in the application narrative, including titles, headings, footnotes, quotations, references, and captions, as well as all text in charts, tables, figures, and graphs.

- Use a font that is either 12 point or larger or no smaller than 10 pitch (characters per inch).

- Use one of the following fonts: Times New Roman, Courier, Courier

New, or Arial. An application submitted in any other font (including Times Roman or Arial Narrow) will not be accepted.

The page limit does not apply to Part I, the cover sheet; Part II, the budget section, including the narrative budget justification; Part IV, the assurances and certifications; or the one-page abstract, the resumes, the bibliography, or the letters of support. However, the page limit does apply to all of the application narrative section (Part III).

We will reject your application if you exceed the page limit; or if you apply other standards and exceed the equivalent of the page limit.

### 3. Submission Dates and Times

*Applications Available:* April 26, 2010.

*Deadline for Transmittal of Applications:* June 10, 2010.

Applications for grants under this competition must be submitted electronically using the Electronic Grant Application System (e-Application) accessible through the Department's e-Grants site. For information (including dates and times) about how to submit your application electronically, or in paper format by mail or hand delivery if you qualify for an exception to the electronic submission requirement, please refer to section IV. 6. *Other Submission Requirements* of this notice.

We do not consider an application that does not comply with the deadline requirements.

Individuals with disabilities who need an accommodation or auxiliary aid in connection with the application process should contact the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** in section VII of this notice. If the Department provides an accommodation or auxiliary aid to an individual with a disability in connection with the application process, the individual's application remains subject to all other requirements and limitations in this notice.

*Deadline for Intergovernmental Review:* August 9, 2010.

### 4. Intergovernmental Review

This program is subject to Executive Order 12372 and the regulations in 34 CFR part 79. Information about Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs under Executive Order 12372 is in the application package for this competition.

### 5. Funding Restrictions

We reference regulations outlining funding restrictions in the *Applicable Regulations* section of this notice.

### 6. Other Submission Requirements

Applications for grants under this competition must be submitted electronically unless you qualify for an exception to this requirement in accordance with the instructions in this section.

#### a. Electronic Submission of Applications

Applications for grants under the Rehabilitation Capacity Building for Traditionally Underserved Populations program, CFDA Number 84.315C and D must be submitted electronically using e-Application, accessible through the Department's e-Grants Web site at: <http://e-grants.ed.gov>.

We will reject your application if you submit it in paper format unless, as described elsewhere in this section, you qualify for one of the exceptions to the electronic submission requirement and submit, no later than two weeks before the application deadline date, a written statement to the Department that you qualify for one of these exceptions. Further information regarding calculation of the date that is two weeks before the application deadline date is provided later in this section under *Exception to Electronic Submission Requirement*.

While completing your electronic application, you will be entering data online that will be saved into a database. You may not e-mail an electronic copy of a grant application to us.

Please note the following:

- You must complete the electronic submission of your grant application by 4:30:00 p.m., Washington, DC time, on the application deadline date. E-Application will not accept an application for this program after 4:30:00 p.m., Washington, DC time, on the application deadline date. Therefore, we strongly recommend that you do not wait until the application deadline date to begin the application process.

- The hours of operation of the e-Grants Web site are 6:00 a.m. Monday until 7:00 p.m. Wednesday; and 6:00 a.m. Thursday until 8:00 p.m. Sunday, Washington, DC time. Please note that, because of maintenance, the system is unavailable between 8:00 p.m. on Sundays and 6:00 a.m. on Mondays, and between 7:00 p.m. on Wednesdays and 6:00 a.m. on Thursdays, Washington, DC time. Any modifications to these hours are posted on the e-Grants Web site.

- You will not receive additional point value because you submit your application in electronic format, nor

will we penalize you if you qualify for an exception to the electronic submission requirement, as described elsewhere in this section, and submit your application in paper format.

- You must submit all documents electronically, including all information you typically provide on the following forms: the Application for Federal Assistance (SF 424), the Department of Education Supplemental Information for SF 424, Budget Information—Non-Construction Programs (ED 524), and all necessary assurances and certifications. You must attach any narrative sections of your application as files in a .DOC (document), .RTF (rich text), or .PDF (Portable Document) format. If you upload a file type other than the three file types specified in this paragraph or submit a password protected file, we will not review that material.

- Your electronic application must comply with any page limit requirements described in this notice.

- Prior to submitting your electronic application, you may wish to print a copy of it for your records.

- After you electronically submit your application, you will receive an automatic acknowledgment that will include a PR/Award number (an identifying number unique to your application).

- Within three working days after submitting your electronic application, fax a signed copy of the SF 424 to the Application Control Center after following these steps:

- Print SF 424 from e-Application.
- The applicant's Authorizing Representative must sign this form.
- Place the PR/Award number in the upper right hand corner of the hard-copy signature page of the SF 424.
- Fax the signed SF 424 to the Application Control Center at (202) 245-6272.

- We may request that you provide us original signatures on other forms at a later date.

#### *Application Deadline Date Extension in Case of e-Application Unavailability:*

If you are prevented from electronically submitting your application on the application deadline date because e-Application is unavailable, we will grant you an extension of one business day to enable you to transmit your application electronically, by mail, or by hand delivery. We will grant this extension if—

- You are a registered user of e-Application and you have initiated an electronic application for this competition; and

- (a) E-Application is unavailable for 60 minutes or more between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., Washington,

DC time, on the application deadline date; or

(b) E-Application is unavailable for any period of time between 3:30 p.m. and 4:30:00 p.m., Washington, DC time, on the application deadline date.

We must acknowledge and confirm these periods of unavailability before granting you an extension. To request this extension or to confirm our acknowledgment of any system unavailability, you may contact either (1) the person listed elsewhere in this notice under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** (see VII. Agency Contact) or (2) the e-Grants help desk at 1-888-336-8930. If e-Application is unavailable due to technical problems with the system and, therefore, the application deadline is extended, an e-mail will be sent to all registered users who have initiated an e-Application. Extensions referred to in this section apply only to the unavailability of e-Application.

*Exception to Electronic Submission Requirement:* You qualify for an exception to the electronic submission requirement, and may submit your application in paper format, if you are unable to submit an application through e-Application because—

- You do not have access to the Internet; or
- You do not have the capacity to upload large documents to e-Application; and
- No later than two weeks before the application deadline date (14 calendar days or, if the fourteenth calendar day before the application deadline date falls on a Federal holiday, the next business day following the Federal holiday), you mail or fax a written statement to the Department, explaining which of the two grounds for an exception prevents you from using the Internet to submit your application. If you mail your written statement to the Department, it must be postmarked no later than two weeks before the application deadline date. If you fax your written statement to the Department, we must receive the faxed statement no later than two weeks before the application deadline date.

Address and mail or fax your statement to: Ellen Chesley, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., room 5019, Potomac Center Plaza (PCP), Washington, DC 20202-2800. FAX: (202) 245-7591.

Your paper application must be submitted in accordance with the mail or hand delivery instructions described in this notice.

#### b. Submission of Paper Applications by Mail

If you qualify for an exception to the electronic submission requirement, you may mail (through the U.S. Postal Service or a commercial carrier) your application to the Department. You must mail the original and two copies of your application, on or before the application deadline date, to the Department at the following address: U.S. Department of Education, Application Control Center, *Attention:* (CFDA Number 84.315C or D), LBJ Basement Level 1, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20202-4260.

You must show proof of mailing consisting of one of the following:

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- (2) A legible mail receipt with the date of mailing stamped by the U.S. Postal Service.
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If your application is postmarked after the application deadline date, we will not consider your application.

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U.S. Department of Education,  
Application Control Center,  
*Attention:* (CFDA number 84.315C or D), 550 12th Street, SW., Room 7041,  
Potomac Center Plaza, Washington,  
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In order to measure the success of capacity building grantees in meeting this goal, each grantee is required to evaluate its activities based upon clear, specific performance and outcome measures and report the results of the evaluation in its annual performance report. At a minimum, the annual performance reports must include the following:

For priority 1, grantees must report on—(1) The number and type of new degree-granting programs established as a result of participation in this program and the number of students enrolled; (2) the number of undergraduate and graduate students who graduate from programs participating in this program and the number who go to work for the public VR program or related rehabilitation agencies; and (3) the number of institutions receiving Council on Rehabilitation Education (CORE) accreditation as a result of participation in this program.

For priority 2, grantees must report on—(1) The number of minority entities and Indian Tribes that have received training and technical assistance; (2) the number of applications submitted by first-time and repeat applicants to RSA and NIDRR for funding; (3) the number of applications by first-time and repeat applicants recommended for funding by RSA and NIDRR; (4) the number of applications by first-time and repeat applicants funded by RSA and NIDRR; and (5) the number of funded programs by first-time and repeat applicants that have been implemented and are operational.

## VII. Agency Contact

*For Further Information Contact:* Ellen Chesley, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., room 5019, PCP, Washington, DC 20202–2800. Telephone: (202) 245–7300 or by e-mail: [ellen.chesley@ed.gov](mailto:ellen.chesley@ed.gov).

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Dated: April 21, 2010.

**Alexa Posny,**

*Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### National Assessment Governing Board; Meeting

**AGENCY:** Department of Education, National Assessment Governing Board.

**ACTION:** Notice of Open Meeting and Partially Closed Sessions.

**SUMMARY:** The notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a forthcoming meeting of the National Assessment Governing Board. This notice also describes the functions of the Board. Notice of this meeting is required under Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. This document is intended to notify members of the general public of their opportunity to attend. Individuals who will need special accommodations in order to attend the meeting (e.g., interpreting services, assistive listening devices, materials in alternative format) should notify Munira Mwalimu at 202–357–6938 or at [Munira.Mwalimu@ed.gov](mailto:Munira.Mwalimu@ed.gov) no later than April 30, 2010. We will attempt to meet requests after this date, but cannot guarantee availability of the requested accommodation. The meeting site is accessible to individuals with disabilities.

**DATES:**

## May 13–15, 2010

*Times:*

May 13: Committee Meetings: Assessment Development Committee: Closed Session—9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Executive Committee: Open Session—4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Closed Session—5:30 p.m. to 6 p.m.

May 14:

Full Board: Open Session—8:15 a.m. to 9:45 a.m.; Closed Session—12:45 p.m. to 2:45 p.m.; Open Session—3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Committee Meetings:

Assessment Development Committee: Open Session—9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.; Closed Session—11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Committee on Standards, Design and Methodology: Open Session—10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.; Closed Session—11:30 a.m. to 12:20 p.m.

Reporting and Dissemination Committee: Open Session—10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

May 15:

Nominations Committee: Closed Session—7:45 a.m. to 8:15 a.m.

Full Board: Open Session—8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

*Location:* Pfister Hotel, 424 East Wisconsin Avenue, Milwaukee, WI 53201.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Munira Mwalimu, Operations Officer, National Assessment Governing Board, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., Suite 825, Washington, DC 20002–4233, Telephone: (202) 357–6938.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The National Assessment Governing Board is established under section 412 of the National Education Statistics Act of 1994, as amended.

The Board is established to formulate policy guidelines for the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP). The Board's responsibilities include selecting subject areas to be assessed, developing assessment specifications and frameworks, developing appropriate student achievement levels for each grade and subject tested, developing standards and procedures for interstate and national comparisons, developing guidelines for reporting and disseminating results, and releasing initial NAEP results to the public.

On May 13, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., the Assessment Development Committee will meet in closed session to review NAEP mathematics items for grades 4 and 8 for the 2011 operational assessment and the 2013 pilot. The Board will be provided with embargoed test items that cannot be discussed in an