

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1176.

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Kathy Greenlee,
Administrator and Assistant Secretary for Aging.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

HRSA's Bureau of Health Professions Advanced Education Nursing Traineeship Program

AGENCY: Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Health Professions (BHPr) is announcing a change to its Advanced Education Nursing Traineeship (AENT) program. Effective fiscal year (FY) 2014, AENT support for part-time students (trainees) will be limited to those students (trainees) who are enrolled within the last 12 months of study for their program. This change will apply to new part-time students (trainees) and will not affect part-time students (trainees) funded prior to FY 2014, who will continue to be supported throughout their advanced education primary care training. Support for full-time students (trainees) will continue without any changes. This change is being implemented to support part-time students (trainees) nearing graduation, in an effort to expeditiously meet the growing demand for primary care nurse practitioners and nurse midwives.

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Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

Single-Case Deviation From Competition Requirements: Maternal and Child Health (MCH) Bureau's Research Network on Pregnancy-Related Care Program

AGENCY: Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: HRSA will be issuing a non-competitive program expansion supplement for the MCH Research Network on Pregnancy-related Care program. Approximately \$200,000 in supplemental funding will be made available in the form of a cooperative agreement to the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG), Washington, DC, Grant Number UA6MC19010, during the budget period of September 9, 2013, through August 31, 2014.

The MCH Research Network on Pregnancy-related Care program (UA6MC 19010), CFDA No. 93.110, is authorized by Title V, Social Security Act, Section 501(a)(2); as amended (42 U.S.C. 701).

The MCH Research Network on Pregnancy-related Care (Network) is the only existing national network of practicing obstetrician-gynecologists who have been recruited to participate in survey studies to examine physicians' clinical practice patterns, knowledge base, opinions, and educational needs with respect to maternal health, including pregnancy-related health and women's health across the lifespan. Now in its third year of a 5-year project period, the Network has successfully conducted numerous studies and boasts a very robust dissemination of critical information on its research findings including nearly 30 peer-reviewed publications since 2010. Types of studies conducted by the Network include the following:

- Core longitudinal studies that track physician knowledge and practice over time (e.g., *Preterm birth, Diabetes during pregnancy, Obesity, Nausea and vomiting of pregnancy*);
- Studies based on newly or soon-to-be published ACOG clinical practice guidelines (e.g., *Thyroid disorders during pregnancy, Down syndrome*);

- Studies that assess the maternal-child health workforce (e.g., *Racial and gender differences in residents' perceptions of mentoring, Physician gender and practice satisfaction*); and
- Topical studies to address the needs in the field (e.g., *Oral health during pregnancy, Influenza vaccination during pregnancy*).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Intended Recipients of the Award: The grantee of record (listed below).

Amount of the Non-Competitive Award: Up to \$200,000.

CFDA Number: 93.110.

Current Project Period: 09/01/2010-08/31/2015.

Period of Supplemental Funding: 9/1/2013-8/31/2014.

Authority: Title V, Social Security Act, Section 501(a)(2); as amended (42 U.S.C. 701).

Justification: HRSA is providing supplemental funding for the Network award for the purpose of enhancing the existing Network to maximize its full potential to conduct multi-site research on critical issues affecting pregnancy-related and maternal health across the lifespan. Currently in year 3 of a 5-year project period, the Network is funded at \$300,000 total cost per year. A \$200,000 program expansion supplement will increase the capacity of network-affiliated practitioners and other affiliates to generate, refine, and implement original research studies involving primary data collection and subject recruitment across a multi-site research network.

Specifically, this supplemental funding will catalyze the development of research and data coordination capacities for the Network and expand the Network's purpose from conducting provider surveys to coordinating office-based research using the existing network infrastructure. This program expansion is a tremendous opportunity to improve the quality of care and reduce costs in the emerging area of outpatient obstetrics research. Furthermore, an office-based practice research network will help accelerate the translation of research to practice.

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