

**C. Funding**

Approximately \$500,000 is available in FY 2003 to fund this award. It is expected that the award will begin on or before September 15, 2003, and will be made for a 12-month budget period within a project period of up to five years. Funding estimate 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.

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES****Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**

[Program Announcement 03073]

**Strengthen Tamil Nadu State AIDS Control Society Response to HIV/AIDS Chennai, India; 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) 2003 funds for a cooperative agreement program for the Tamil Nadu State AIDS Control Society (TNSACS). The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number for this program is 93.941.

**B. Eligible Applicant**

Assistance will be provided only to TNSACS. The State Government possesses the capability and institutional capacity to collaborate with the CDC Global AIDS Program (GAP), India in support of activities in the public sector in a way that no other agency or organization in the State of Tamil Nadu is qualified to do.

The State Government and the National AIDS Control Organization (NACO) are currently implementing their HIV/AIDS activities and programs

through the TNSACS, which is registered under the Government of India Societies Act. TNSACS is recognized at the national level as the policy and planning organization for all programs related to HIV throughout the state. TNSACS is charged with carrying out and implementing the National and State Government policies on HIV/AIDS.

TNSACS has the infrastructure, including systems to manage funds, as well as the human resources; the supervisory experience; and the expertise needed to track funds.

TNSACS, the State of Tamil Nadu, and CDC GAP have worked collaboratively in developing a plan to build infrastructure and provide training around information systems and a quality assured laboratory at the Chennai-based Government Hospital for Thoracic Medicine (GHTM) since the CDC GAP established activities in Tamil Nadu in 2001. The TNSACS is uniquely qualified to continue to support the GHTM activities initiated by CDC GAP. It is also the most appropriate organization to support the replication and expansion of CDC GAP activities into other areas of the state.

**C. Funding**

Approximately \$50,000 is available in FY 2003 to fund this award. It is expected that the award will begin on or before September 15, 2003, and will be made for a 12-month budget period within a project period of up to five years. Funding estimate 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: Nancy Hedemark Nay, MPH, Associate Director for Operations, Global AIDS Program, C/o U.S. Consulate, 220 Mount Road, Chennai, 600 006, India, Telephone: 91-44-2811-2000. e-mail address: [nhn1@cdc.gov](mailto:nhn1@cdc.gov).

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES****Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**

[Program Announcement 03126]

**Landmine Survivor Peer-Support Networks in Mine-Affected Countries; 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) 2003 funds for a cooperative program to continue the development, implementation, and evaluation of landmine survivor peer-support networks in the landmine-affected countries of Bosnia, Jordan, El Salvador, Ethiopia, Mozambique and Viet Nam. The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number for this program is 93.283.

**B. Eligible Applicant**

Assistance will be provided only to the Landmine Survivors Network (LSN), the recipient of funding under the original announcement. The CDC cooperative agreement with LSN was required by FY2000 congressional conference language. The sponsors of the language specifically directed CDC to directly support LSN's project. Staffers from the offices of several sponsors have, on a regular basis, followed up on the progress of the cooperative agreement.

In addition to this congressional intent, LSN is singularly qualified to conduct activities under this program, because it:

1. Designed, started and administers these networks.
2. Has existing staff, both domestically and internationally, trained in public health and social sciences related to landmine survivors.
3. Has a significant global presence, allowing it to coordinate with local governments and international organizations in the implementation of projects related to landmine survivors.
4. Is the primary non-governmental organization (NGO) working with landmine survivor issues.
5. Has an existing field presence including the only peer-support networks in each of the countries identified in this announcement.

It would be financially, logistically, and programmatically difficult for an organization other than LSN to continue this program.

**C. Funding**

Approximately \$3,300,000 is available in FY 2003 to fund this award. It is expected that the award will begin on or before September 15, 2003, 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: Michael Gerber, MPH, International Emergency and Refugee Health Branch, National Center for Environmental Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Mail Stop F-48, 4770 Buford Highway, Atlanta, GA 30341, Telephone: 770-488-3520, E-mail address: [mcg9@cdc.gov](mailto:mcg9@cdc.gov).

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES****Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**

[Program Announcement 03160]

**Cooperative Agreement for Plague Clinical Trials with Prospect International in Madagascar; 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) 2003 funds for a cooperative agreement program to evaluate the effectiveness and safety of Gentamicin and other antibiotics for the treatment of human plague, to evaluate newly available rapid dipstick tests for the diagnosis of human plague, and to develop a long-term collaboration between the CDC and Madagascar in the area of plague research and prevention. The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number for this program is 93.283.

**B. Eligible Applicant**

Assistance will be provided only to Prospect International (PI) in

Antananarivo, Madagascar. No other applications are solicited.

PI is the most appropriate and qualified non-governmental organization in Madagascar to conduct the activities specified under this cooperative agreement for the following reasons:

- PI has established collaborations with Madagascar health authorities on health infrastructure such as the Integrated Disease Surveillance and Response (IDSR) strategy.
- PI has the requisite expertise for management and coordination of the logistics and finances of complicated health projects.
- PI has the proven ability to successfully collaborate with CDC on health research and health infrastructure projects.
- PI has established collaborations with the Madagascar Ministry of Health as well as other high-level government offices.

**C. Funding**

Approximately \$145,000 is available in FY 2003 to fund this award. It is expected that the award will begin on or before September 15, 2003, and will be made for a 12-month budget period within a project period of up to five years. Funding estimate 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: Jacob Kool, MD, Ph.D., Division of Vector-Borne Infectious Diseases, National Center for Infectious Diseases, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Rampart Road (Foothills Campus), Fort Collins, CO 80521, Telephone: 970-266-3540, E-mail: [jkool@cdc.gov](mailto:jkool@cdc.gov).

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES****Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services**

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**Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) (formerly known as the Health Care Financing Administration (CMS)), Department of Health and Human Services, is publishing the following summary of proposed collections for public comment. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including any of the following subjects: (1) The necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency's functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

1. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Extension of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Psychiatric Unit Criteria Worksheet, Rehabilitation Unit Criteria Worksheet, and Rehabilitation Hospital Criteria Worksheet, and Supporting Regulations at 42 CFR 412.20-412.32; *Form No.:* CMS-437, 437A, and 437B (OMB# 0938-0358); *Use:* The rehabilitation hospital/unit and psychiatric unit criteria worksheets are necessary to verify and reverify that these facilities/units comply and remain in compliance with the exclusion criteria for the Medicare prospective payment system; *Frequency:* Annually; *Affected Public:* Business or other-for-profit, Not-for-profit institutions, State, local, or tribal government.; *Number of Respondents:* 2,580; *Total Annual Responses:* 2,580; *Total Annual Hours:* 645.

2. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Extension of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Organ Procurement Organization (OPO) Request for Designation and Supporting