

human subjects regulations, and to allow compliance with the alternative procedures rather than with the HHS regulatory requirements. 45 CFR 46.101(h). However, to date, the Secretary has not made any determinations that other procedures provide equivalent protections to those afforded by the HHS regulations. HHS continues to consider whether, and how, to implement the regulatory authority to allow compliance with alternative procedural standards in place of compliance with 45 CFR part 46. One or more determinations that alternative procedural standards provide protections at least equivalent to those of 45 CFR part 46 may be made at some time in the future, but until such time, 45 CFR part 46 is the procedural standard which must be complied with for all HHS-conducted or -supported human subjects research conducted domestically or internationally.

The heads of other Common Rule departments and agencies may independently reach different conclusions about which, if any, procedural standard(s) to accept as providing protections at least equivalent to the Common Rule. This is among the reasons that multiple procedural standards are included on the FWA form for international (non-U.S.) institutions, which may be relied upon by all Common Rule departments and agencies.

HHS believes that this view provides the greatest protection to human subjects of research conducted or supported by HHS, and is the most ethically defensible position.

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Director, Office for Human Research Protections.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration on Aging

Availability of Funding Opportunity Announcement

Funding Opportunity Title/Program Name: Performance Outcomes Measures Project.

Announcement Type: Initial.

Funding Opportunity Number: Program Announcement No. HHS-2006-AoA-PO-0612.

Statutory Authority: The Older Americans Act, Public Law 106-501.

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number: 93.048, Title IV and Title II, Discretionary Projects.

Dates: The deadline date for the submission of applications is August 15, 2006.

I. Funding Opportunity Description

The purpose of this announcement is to solicit applications for POMP projects that will complete work on the POMP-developed performance measurement surveys and enhance their utility for the Aging Network as follows:

- Conduct validity tests for POMP surveys.
- Conduct pilot testing for statewide performance measurement methodology.
- Assist in the development of performance measurement toolkits for use by the Aging network.

A detailed description of the funding opportunity may be found at <http://www.grants.gov>.

II. Award Information

1. *Funding Instrument Type:* Grants.
2. *Anticipated Total Priority Area Funding per Budget Period:* These grants are two-year projects. For the first year, AoA intends to make available, under this program announcement, grant awards for 6 to 10 projects at a federal share of approximately \$35,000-\$50,000. The maximum award will be \$50,000. Second year award amounts will be similar to first year amounts, contingent on the availability of federal funds and satisfactory progress.

III. Eligibility Criteria and Other Requirements

1. Eligible Applicants

Eligibility for grant awards is limited to State Agencies on Aging.

2. Cost Sharing or Matching

Grantees are required to provide at least 25 percent of the total program costs from non-federal cash or in-kind resources in order to be considered for the award.

3. DUNS Number

All grant applicants must obtain a D-U-N-S number from Dun and Bradstreet. It is a nine-digit identification number, which provides unique identifiers of single business entities. The D-U-N-S number is free and easy to obtain from: http://www.dnb.com/US/duns_update/.

4. Intergovernmental Review

Executive Order 12372, Intergovernmental Review of Federal

Programs, is not applicable to these grant applications.

IV. Application and Submission Information

1. Address To Request Application Package

Application kits are available by writing to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration on Aging, Office of Evaluation, Washington, DC 20201, by calling 202-357-0145, or online at <http://www.grants.gov>.

Please note AoA is requiring applications for this announcement to be submitted electronically through <http://www.grants.gov>. The Grants.gov registration process can take several days. If your organization is not currently registered with www.grants.gov, please begin this process immediately. For assistance with <http://www.grants.gov>, please contact Arthur Miller at AoA's Grants.gov helpdesk at 202-357-3438. At <http://www.grants.gov>, you will be able to download a copy of the application packet, complete it off-line, and then upload and submit the application via the Grants.gov Web site.

2. Address for Application Submission

Applicants unable to submit their application via <http://www.grants.gov> may request permission to submit a hard copy from Stephen Daniels, Director, Office of Grants Management at Stephen.Daniels@aoa.hhs.gov.

With prior approval, applications may be mailed to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration on Aging, Office of Grants Management, Washington, DC 20201, attn: Stephen Daniels.

With prior approval, Applications may be delivered (in person, via messenger) to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration on Aging, Office of Grants Management, One Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Room 4604, Washington, DC 20001, attn: Stephen Daniels.

If you elect to mail or hand deliver your application, you must submit one original and two copies of the application. Instructions for electronic mailing of grant applications are available at <http://www.grants.gov>.

3. Submission Dates and Times

To receive consideration, applications must be received by the deadline listed in the **Dates** section of this Notice.

V. Responsiveness Criteria

Each application submitted will be screened to determine whether it was received by the closing date and time.

Applications that fail to meet the application due date will *not* be reviewed and will receive *no* further consideration.

VI. Application Review Information

Eligible applications in response to this announcement will be reviewed according to the following evaluation criteria:

- Purpose and Need for Assistance—(20 points).
- Approach/Method—Workplan and Activities—(35 points).
- Outcomes/Evaluation/Dissemination—(25 points).
- Level of Effort—(20 points).

VII. Agency Contacts

Direct inquiries regarding programmatic issues to U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration on Aging, Office of Evaluation, Washington, DC 20201, telephone: (202) 357-0145.

Dated: July 3, 2006.

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Assistant Secretary for Aging.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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Proposed Data Collections Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations

In compliance with the requirement of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 for opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) will publish periodic summaries of proposed projects. To request more information on the proposed projects or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and

instruments, call 404-639-5960 and send comments to Seleda Perryman, CDC Assistant Reports Clearance Officer, 1600 Clifton Road, MS-D74, Atlanta, GA 30333 or send an e-mail to omb@cdc.gov.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

Proposed Project

CDC Oral Health Management Information System -New- National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (NCCDPHP), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Background and Brief Description

The CDC seeks to improve the oral health of the nation by targeting efforts to improve the infrastructure of state and territorial oral health departments, strengthen and enhance program capacity related to monitoring the population's oral health status and behaviors, develop effective programs to improve the oral health of children and adults, evaluate program accomplishments, and inform key stakeholders, including policy makers, of program results. Through a cooperative agreement program (Program Announcement 03022), CDC provides approximately \$3 million per year over 5 years to 12 states and one territory to strengthen the states' core oral health infrastructure and capacity and reduce health disparities among

high-risk groups. The CDC is authorized to do this under sections 301 and 317(k) of the Public Health Service Act [42 U.S.C. 241 and 247b(k)].

Information systems provide a central repository of information, such as the plans of the state or territorial oral health programs (their goals, objectives, performance milestones and indicators), as well as state and territorial oral health performance activities including programmatic and financial information. The management information system (MIS) will allow a CDC project officer to enter information related to technical assistance, consultative plans, communication and site visits. For state and territorial oral health programs, this MIS will provide a central location that will allow for the more efficient collection of information needed to meet reporting requirements. The system will allow state and territorial oral health programs immediate access to information and better equip them to respond to inquiries in a timely fashion and to make programmatic decisions in a more efficient, informed manner.

The MIS will support CDC's broader mission of reducing oral health disparities by enabling CDC staff to more effectively identify the strengths and weaknesses of individual state and territorial oral health programs; to identify national progress toward reaching the goals of Healthy People 2010; and to disseminate information related to successful public health interventions implemented by state and territorial programs to prevent and control the burden of oral diseases. The CDC anticipates that the state burden of providing hard-copy reports will be reduced with the introduction of the Web-based progress reporting system. It is assumed that states will experience a learning curve in using this application that burden will be reduced once they have familiarized themselves with it.

There are no costs to respondents except their time to participate in the survey.

ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS

Respondents	No. of respondents	No. of responses per respondent	Average burden per response (in hrs.)	Total burden (hours)
State Program Staff	12	2	9	216
Territory Program Staff	1	2	9	18
Total	13	4	18	234