

*Submission Date, Time, and Address*

The application must be received by 4 p.m. Eastern Time June 23, 2003.

Submit the application to: Technical Information Management—PA03068, CDC Procurement and Grants Office, 2920 Brandywine Road, Atlanta, GA 30341–4146. Applications may not be submitted electronically.

*CDC Acknowledgment of Application Receipt*

A postcard will be mailed by PGO-TIM, notifying you that CDC has received your application.

*Deadline*

Applications shall be considered as meeting the deadline if they are received before 4 p.m. Eastern Time on the deadline date. Any applicant who sends their application by the United States Postal Service or commercial delivery services must ensure that the carrier will be able to guarantee delivery of the application by the closing date and time. If an application is received after closing due to (1) carrier error, when the carrier accepted the package with a guarantee for delivery by the closing date and time, or (2) significant weather delays or natural disasters, CDC will upon receipt of proper documentation, consider the application as having been received by the deadline.

Any application that does not meet the above criteria will not be eligible for competition, and will be discarded. The applicant will be notified of their failure to meet the submission requirements.

**H. Evaluation Criteria**

Applicants are required to provide Measures of Effectiveness that will demonstrate the accomplishment of the various identified objectives of the [grant or cooperative agreement]. Measures of Effectiveness must relate to the performance goals stated in the purpose section of this announcement. Measures must be objective and quantitative and must measure the intended outcome. These measures of effectiveness must be submitted with the application and will be an element of evaluation.

An independent review group appointed by CDC will evaluate each application against the following criteria:

1. Capacity (45 total points). (a) Extent to which applicant demonstrates experience with viral pathogenesis and immunology in rhesus macaques or other primate system. Extent to which the applicant can demonstrate previous or ongoing experience with measles infections of primates. Extent to which the applicant can produce a measles

infection that is similar to measles infections in humans in rhesus macaques following intranasal inoculation. (30 points)

(b) Extent to which applicant documents that professional personnel involved in the project are qualified and have past experience and achievements in research related to that proposed in this cooperative agreement as evidenced by curriculum vitae, publications, etc. Extent to which the applicant demonstrates experience with virology, particularly the virology of measles virus. (10 points)

(c) Extent to which applicant describes adequate resources and facilities for conducting the project. Extent to which facilities for the safe handling of infectious agents are available. (5 points)

2. Objectives and Technical Approach (40 total points). (a) Extent to which the plan clearly describes applicant's technical approach/methods for conducting the proposed studies. Extent to which applicant describes specific study protocols or plans for the development of study protocols that are appropriate for achieving project objectives. (20 points)

(b) Extent to which applicant provides a detailed plan for evaluating study results and for evaluating progress towards achieving project objectives. (15 points)

(c) Extent to which applicant describes objectives of the proposed project which are consistent with the purpose and program requirements of this cooperative agreement and which are measurable and time-phased. (5 points)

3. Background and Need (10 points). Extent to which applicant demonstrates a clear understanding of the purpose and objectives of this proposed cooperative agreement.

4. Measures of Effectiveness (5 points). Does the applicant provide Measures of Effectiveness that will demonstrate the accomplishment of the various identified objectives of the grant? Are the measures objective/quantitative and do they adequately measure the intended outcome?

5. Budget (Not Scored). Extent to which the proposed budget is reasonable, clearly justifiable, and consistent with the intended use of cooperative agreement funds.

6. Animal Subjects (Not Scored). Extent to which the application adequately addresses the requirements of Public Health Policy on Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals.

**I. Other Requirements***Technical Reporting Requirements*

Provide CDC with original plus two copies of:

1. Interim progress report, no less than 90 days before the end of the budget period. The progress report will serve as your non-competing continuation application, and must contain the following elements:

- a. Current Budget Period Activity Objectives.
  - b. Current Budget Period Financial Progress.
  - c. New Budget Period Program Proposed Activity Objectives.
  - d. Detailed Line-Item Budget and Justification.
  - e. Additional Requested Information.
2. Financial status report, no more than 90 days after the end of the budget period.

3. Final financial and performance reports, no more than 90 days after the end of the project period.

Send all reports to the Grants Management Specialist identified in the "Where to Obtain Additional Information" section of this announcement.

*Additional Requirements*

The following additional requirements are applicable to this program. For a complete description of each, see Attachment I of the program announcement, as posted on the CDC website.

AR-3—Animal Subjects Requirements  
AR-7—Executive Order 12372  
AR-10—Smoke Free Work Place Requirements  
AR-11—Healthy People 2010  
AR-12—Lobbying Restrictions  
AR-15—Proof of Non-Profit Status  
AR-22—Research Integrity

**J. Where To Obtain Additional Information**

This and other CDC announcements, the necessary applications, and associated forms can be found on the CDC web site, Internet address: <http://www.cdc.gov> Click on "Funding" then "Grants and Cooperative Agreements."

For general 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 business management and budget assistance, contact: Jeff Napier, Grants Management Specialist, Procurement and Grants Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 2920 Brandywine Road, Atlanta, GA 30341–4146, Telephone: 770–488–2861, E-mail Address: [jkn7@cdc.gov](mailto:jkn7@cdc.gov).