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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

[Program Announcement 03128]

#### Development of Medical-Specialty Specific Antimicrobial Resistance Educational Materials—Internet-Based Educational Module; Notice of Availability of Funds

Application Deadline: June 27, 2003.

#### A. Authority and Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number

This program is authorized under section 301(a) and 317(k)(2) of the Public Health Service Act, (42 U.S.C. 241(a) and 247b(k)(2)), as amended. The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number is 93.283.

#### B. Purpose

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the availability of fiscal year (FY) 2003 funds for a cooperative agreement program for the Development of Medical-Specialty Specific Antimicrobial Resistance Educational Materials—Internet-Based Educational Module. This program addresses the “Healthy People 2010” focus area Immunization and Infectious Diseases.

The purpose of the program is to develop and evaluate a comprehensive educational program for the medical specialty of Hospitalists that will employ multiple delivery methods, including an electronic educational module, sessions at national meetings, and publications in a specialty-related journal.

Measurable outcomes of the program will be in alignment with the following performance goal for the National Center for Infectious Diseases (NCID): Reduce the spread of antimicrobial resistance.

#### C. Eligible Applicants

Applications may be submitted by public and private nonprofit organizations and by governments and their agencies, that is:

- Public nonprofit organizations.
- Private nonprofit organizations.
- Small, minority, women-owned businesses.
- Universities.
- Colleges.
- Research institutions.
- Hospitals.
- Community-based organizations.
- Faith-based organizations.
- Federally recognized Indian tribal governments.
- Indian tribes.
- Indian tribal organizations.
- State and local governments or their bona fide agents (this includes the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, Guam, the Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, and the Republic of Palau).
- Political subdivisions of States (in consultation with States).

**Note:** Title 2 of the United States Code section 1611 states that an organization described in section 501(C)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code that engages in lobbying activities is not eligible to receive Federal funds constituting an award, grant or loan.

#### D. Funding

##### Availability of Funds

Approximately \$70,000 is available in FY 2003 to fund one award. It is expected that the award will begin on or about September 15, 2003 and will be made for a 12-month budget period within a project period of one year. The funding estimate may change.

##### Recipient Financial Participation

Matching funds are not required for this program.

##### Funding Preferences

Due to the scope of the project, which seeks to apply effective interventions on a large scale, develop educational materials specifically for Hospitalists, and distribute materials to Hospitalists in an effective manner, funding preference will be given to national organizations that have the medical specialty of Hospitalists as their primary audience.

#### E. Program Requirements

In conducting activities to achieve the purpose of this program, the recipient will be responsible for the activities

listed in 1. Recipient Activities, and CDC will be responsible for the activities listed in 2. CDC Activities.

##### 1. Recipient Activities

a. Recruit and assemble an advisory board.

b. Conduct a needs assessment to determine information gaps among Hospitalists related to antimicrobial resistance.

c. Review existing educational materials and tools on antimicrobial resistance, and modify or create new tools for Hospitalists (with learning objectives) based on needs assessment results.

d. Develop a quality improvement “toolbox” of interventions shown to be successful.

e. Distribute educational materials and the quality improvement “toolbox” through a variety of avenues, including web-based, annual meetings, and journals.

f. Monitor and evaluate the impact of the educational materials and interventions from the “toolbox”. Collect follow up data on the problems of implementing the educational program and “toolbox” interventions, the lessons learned, acceptability to Hospitalists, and antimicrobial resistance incidence at intervention institutions.

g. Assist with data analysis, and preparation of a report or manuscript related to the overall project.

##### 2. CDC Activities

a. Provide the funding recipient with existing CDC antimicrobial resistance educational materials for inclusion in development of educational materials for Hospitalists.

b. Actively participate in the advisory board that oversees the creation and approval of content for the “toolbox” and educational materials.

c. Actively participate in the development of survey and other data collection tools for both the educational materials and the “toolbox” interventions.

d. Assist with data analysis and preparation of a report or manuscript related to the overall project.

e. Assist in the development of a research protocol for Institutional Review Board (IRB) review by all cooperating institutions participating in the research project. The CDC IRB will review and approve the protocol initially and on at least an annual basis until the research project is completed.

#### F. Content

##### Applications

The Program Announcement title and number must appear in the application.