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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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Cooperative Agreement To Enhance Clinical Practices To Prevent Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities and To Promote Health Among Women With Disabilities; Notice of Availability of Funds

Application Deadline: June 20, 2003.

A. Authority and Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number

This program is authorized under section 301, 311, and 317C of the Public Health Service Act, [42 U.S.C. 241, 243, and 247b-4], as amended. The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number is 93.184.

B. Purpose

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the availability of fiscal year (FY) 2003 funds for a cooperative agreement program to enhance clinical practices to prevent birth defects and developmental disabilities and to promote health among women with disabilities. This program addresses the "Healthy People 2010" focus areas of Maternal, Infant and Child Health and Disability and Secondary Conditions.

The purpose of this program is to prevent birth defects and developmental disabilities and to improve access to preventive and health promotion obstetric/gynecologic services to women with disabilities through: (1) Understanding the current knowledge, skills, attitudes and practices among obstetricians/gynecologists and their clients related to the prevention of birth defects/developmental disabilities and to provision of services to women with disabilities; (2) Identifying the information and training needs of obstetricians/gynecologists in these areas; (3) Developing information, communication, education, and training programs to meet those needs; and, (4) Providing targeted training, education, and information to obstetricians/gynecologists for more effective practice.

Measurable outcomes of the program will be in alignment with one or more of the following performance goals for the National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities: Prevent birth defects and developmental disabilities and improve the health and quality of life of American's with disabilities.

Research involving human participants will not be supported under this cooperative agreement.

C. Eligible Applicants

Assistance will be provided only to applicants that are well established national, non-profit organizations who are: (1) Involved in providing health care services for women; (2) who are able to reach out to and work with, obstetricians/gynecologists to collect information AND to disseminate information to obstetricians/gynecologists and their clients; and, (3) who are able to provide them with proper education and training.

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. Availability of Funds

Approximately \$250,000 is available in FY 2003 to fund one award. It is expected that the award will begin on or about September 1, 2003, and will be made for a 12-month budget period within a project period of up to five years. Funding estimates may change.

Continuation awards within an approved project period will be made on the basis of satisfactory progress as evidenced by required reports and the availability of funds.

Recipient Financial Participation

Matching funds are not required for this program.

E. Program Requirements

In conducting activities to achieve the purpose of this program, the recipient will be responsible for the activities under 1. (Recipient Activities), and CDC will be responsible for the activities listed under 2. (CDC Activities).

1. Recipient Activities

a. Collect information from obstetricians/gynecologists regarding their knowledge and application of interventions that have been proven to prevent birth defects/developmental disabilities, particularly before conception, such as the use of folic acid to prevent neural tube defects, abstinence from alcohol during pregnancy to prevent fetal alcohol syndrome, and the need for newborn screening.

b. Collect information about women's knowledge and use of interventions that prevent birth defects and developmental disabilities; in particular the use of folic acid by women whose infants were born with and died, of neural tube defects.

c. Collect information about obstetricians/gynecologists' ability to provide services to women with disabilities; in particular: their training in providing services to women with disabilities; access of their facilities to women in wheelchairs; appropriateness of the instruments/machines/technology in their offices for providing services to women with disabilities (exam tables, mammogram machines, etc).

d. Analyze data, organize and disseminate information collected from obstetricians/gynecologists and their clients.

e. Use information to design and implement communication, education and training activities that will promote professional development for obstetricians/gynecologists in birth defects and developmental disabilities and improve provider health care practices and prevention of birth defects.