

additional information concerning this conference: <http://www.cdc.gov/nceh/default.htm>

g. Human Subjects (Reviewed, but Not Scored)

The extent to which the applicant complies with the Department of Health and Human Services Regulations (45 CFR Part 46) regarding the protection of human subjects. Not scored, however, an application can be disapproved if the research risks are sufficiently serious and protection against risks is so inadequate as to make the entire application unacceptable.

## I. Other Requirements

### Technical Reporting Requirements

Provide CDC with original plus two copies of:

1. An 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 Activities 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.

Projects that involve the collection of information from 10 or more individuals and funded by cooperative agreement will be subject to review and approval by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act.

### 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 web site.

AR-1 Human Subjects Requirements

AR-2 Requirements for Inclusion of Women and Racial and Ethnic Minorities in Research

AR-7 Executive Order 12372 Review

AR-9 Paperwork Reduction Act Requirements

AR-10 Smoke-Free Workplace Requirements

AR-11 Healthy People 2010

AR-12 Lobbying Restrictions

## 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: Sharron Orum, Grants Management Specialist, Procurement and Grants Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 2920 Brandywine Road, Atlanta, GA 30341-4146, Telephone: 770-488-2716, E-mail address: [spo2@cdc.gov](mailto:spo2@cdc.gov).

For program technical assistance, contact: Dennis Christianson, Project Officer, Health Studies Branch, Division of Environmental Hazards and Health Effects, National Center for Environmental Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road, NE., Mailstop: E23, Atlanta, GA 30333, Telephone: 404-498-1340, E-mail address: [djc2@cdc.gov](mailto:djc2@cdc.gov).

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

#### [Program Announcement 03157]

#### Public Health Research Accreditation Project; Notice of Availability of Funds

*Application Deadline: August 1, 2003.*

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

This program is authorized under sections 301 and 317(k)(2) of the Public Health Service Act, [42 U.S.C. 241 and 247b(k)(2)], as amended. The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number is 93.993.

## B. Purpose

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the availability of fiscal year (FY) 2003 funds for a grant to assess the role of accreditation in enhancing the protection of participants in public health research. This program addresses the "Healthy People 2010" focus area 23 Public Health Infrastructure.

The purpose of the program is to assess the role of accreditation of human research protection programs to enhance protections afforded to persons involved in the full range of public health research programs, *e.g.*, epidemiologic research, health services research, and social and behavioral intervention research, as well as traditional biomedical research and clinical trials. Voluntary accreditation is one component of a national oversight system for protection of human subjects. The National Bioethics Advisory Commission (2001) and the Institute of Medicine (2001, 2002) recommended that a voluntary system for accreditation of human research protection programs be initiated and evaluated over the next several years.

This project will result in the development of pilot measures that can be used to assess the improvement of the ability of the public health infrastructure (such as state and local public health departments, schools of public health, and other public health research partners) to assess and monitor research involving human subjects. In year two, the pilot measures will be implemented in several locations, such as state or local health departments, schools of public health, or community-based organizations that engage in public health research, and will be evaluated for utility and feasibility in the public health setting. In year three, the measures will be refined and made available to public health research partners to document and evaluate the impact of accreditation as a process to improve protection of human subjects in public health research.

Measurable outcomes of the program will be in alignment with the performance goals for the CDC Office of Science Policy and Technology Transfer.

## C. Eligible Applicants

### Limited Eligibility

Assistance will be provided only to a public, private, for-profit, or non-profit organization that is currently actively engaged in the process of accrediting human research protection programs that represent the full range of activities,