

C. Funding

Approximately \$3,300,000 is available in FY 2003 to fund this award. It is expected that the award will begin on or before September 15, 2003, and will be made for a 12-month budget period within a project period of up to five years. Funding estimates may change.

D. Where To Obtain Additional Information

For general comments or 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 technical questions about this program, contact: Michael Gerber, MPH, International Emergency and Refugee Health Branch, National Center for Environmental Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Mail Stop F-48, 4770 Buford Highway, Atlanta, GA 30341, Telephone: 770-488-3520, E-mail address: mcg9@cdc.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**

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Cooperative Agreement for Plague Clinical Trials with Prospect International in Madagascar; Notice of Intent To Fund Single Eligibility Award**A. Purpose**

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the intent to fund fiscal year (FY) 2003 funds for a cooperative agreement program to evaluate the effectiveness and safety of Gentamicin and other antibiotics for the treatment of human plague, to evaluate newly available rapid dipstick tests for the diagnosis of human plague, and to develop a long-term collaboration between the CDC and Madagascar in the area of plague research and prevention. The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number for this program is 93.283.

B. Eligible Applicant

Assistance will be provided only to Prospect International (PI) in

Antananarivo, Madagascar. No other applications are solicited.

PI is the most appropriate and qualified non-governmental organization in Madagascar to conduct the activities specified under this cooperative agreement for the following reasons:

- PI has established collaborations with Madagascar health authorities on health infrastructure such as the Integrated Disease Surveillance and Response (IDSR) strategy.
- PI has the requisite expertise for management and coordination of the logistics and finances of complicated health projects.
- PI has the proven ability to successfully collaborate with CDC on health research and health infrastructure projects.
- PI has established collaborations with the Madagascar Ministry of Health as well as other high-level government offices.

C. Funding

Approximately \$145,000 is available in FY 2003 to fund this award. It is expected that the award will begin on or before September 15, 2003, and will be made for a 12-month budget period within a project period of up to five years. Funding estimate may change.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services**

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) (formerly known as the Health Care Financing Administration (CMS)), Department of Health and Human Services, is publishing the following summary of proposed collections for public comment. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including any of the following subjects: (1) The necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency's functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

1. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Extension of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Psychiatric Unit Criteria Worksheet, Rehabilitation Unit Criteria Worksheet, and Rehabilitation Hospital Criteria Worksheet, and Supporting Regulations at 42 CFR 412.20-412.32; *Form No.:* CMS-437, 437A, and 437B (OMB# 0938-0358); *Use:* The rehabilitation hospital/unit and psychiatric unit criteria worksheets are necessary to verify and reverify that these facilities/units comply and remain in compliance with the exclusion criteria for the Medicare prospective payment system; *Frequency:* Annually; *Affected Public:* Business or other-for-profit, Not-for-profit institutions, State, local, or tribal government.; *Number of Respondents:* 2,580; *Total Annual Responses:* 2,580; *Total Annual Hours:* 645.

2. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Extension of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Organ Procurement Organization (OPO) Request for Designation and Supporting