

federally recognized American Indian/Alaskan Native (AI/AN) tribal governments and corporations that qualify under the Indian Civil Rights Acts, including State Charter Tribes, Urban Indian Health Programs, Indian Health Boards, Inter-tribal Councils, and other Tribal Organizations, including urban and eligible inter-tribal consortia. Faith-based organizations are eligible to apply for these funds.

Estimated Amount of This Competition: \$112,000.

Estimated Number of Awards to be Made: 5.

Estimated or Average Size of Each Award: \$20,000.

Estimated Project Period: Awards will begin on or about April 1, 2004 and will be made for a 12-month budget and project period. Conferences planned for April 1, 2004 through September 30, 2004 will be considered for funding.

LOI Deadline Date: Submit your LOI on or before January 12, 2004.

Application Availability Date: February 25, 2004.

Application Deadline: April 15, 2004.

Project Award Date: May 15, 2004.

National Center for Infectious Diseases (NCID)

Competition Title: Applied Research in Emerging Infections Investigations of West Nile Virus.

Program Announcement Number: 04052.
CFDA Number: 93.283.

Program Contact Person: Dr. John Roehrig.
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Competition Description: The West Nile (WN) virus outbreak continues to expand in the United States. The persistence of WN virus in overwintering mosquitoes suggests that WN virus will become enzootic in the U.S. for the foreseeable future. The natural transmission cycle of WN virus involves mosquitoes becoming infected by feeding on birds infected with the virus. Many mammal-biting mosquito species have been infected with WN virus. This observation has been accompanied by an increase in WN virus infections of mammalian species other than humans and equines (e.g. bats, squirrels, cats, chipmunks, rabbits, and skunks). This expanded epizootic, which again occurred during the peak southern bird migration, emphasizes the need for continued vigilance for the spread of the virus beyond the outbreak epicenter. The purpose of the program is to provide assistance to organizations in developing applied research efforts pertaining to West Nile (WN) virus and other arboviruses that occur in the United States (U.S.).

Eligible Applicants: Applications may be submitted by public and private nonprofit organizations and by governments and their agencies; that is, universities, colleges, research institutions, hospitals, other public and private nonprofit organizations, State and local governments or their bona fide agents, including 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, federally recognized Indian tribal governments, Indian tribes, or Indian tribal organizations. Faith-based organizations are eligible to apply for these funds.

Estimated Amount of This Competition: \$2,000,000.

Estimated Number of Awards to be Made: 12.

Estimated or Average Size of Each Award: \$150,000.

Estimated Project Period: 3 Years.

Application Availability Date: March 14, 2004.

Application Deadline: May 15, 2004.

Project Award Date: September 1, 2004.

Competition Title: Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) for Infectious Diseases.

Program Announcement Number: 04040.

CFDA Number: 93.283.

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Competition Description: The purpose of the Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity in Infectious Diseases (ELC) program is to assist State and eligible local public health agencies in strengthening basic epidemiologic and laboratory capacity to address infectious disease threats with a focus on notifiable diseases, food-, water-, and vector-borne diseases, vaccine-preventable diseases, and drug-resistant infections. Awards are intended to support activities that enhance the ability of a program to identify and monitor the occurrence of infectious diseases of public health importance in a community, characterize disease determinants, identify and respond to disease outbreaks and other infectious disease emergencies, use public health data for priority setting and policy development, and assess the effectiveness of activities. Strengthening collaboration between laboratory and epidemiology practice is a crucial component of this program.

Eligible Applicants: Assistance will be provided only to the health departments of states or their bona fide agents, including the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, Guam, federally recognized Indian tribal governments, the Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, and the Republic of Palau. In addition, official public health agencies of city governments, with jurisdictional populations greater than 1,500,000, or county governments, with jurisdictional populations greater than 8,000,000 (based on 2000 census data), are eligible to apply.

Funding preference will be given to current ELC grantees.

Estimated Amount of This Competition: Cycle A: \$20,000,000 Cycle B: \$16,000,000.

Estimated Number of Awards to be Made: 45.

Estimated or Average Size of Each Award: \$800,000.

Estimated Project Period: 5 Years.

Application Availability Date: Cycle A: November 1, 2003, Cycle B: February 3, 2004.

Application Deadline: Cycle A: January 4, 2004, Cycle B: April 1, 2004. Current ELC grantees should submit an application for the cycle they are currently in. New applicants may apply for either cycle, but not both.

Project Award Date: Cycle A: April 1, 2004, Cycle B: July 1, 2004.

Competition Title: Cooperative Agreement for Research on Prevention of Lyme Disease in Humans in the United States.

Program Announcement Number: 04008.

CFDA Number: 93.942.

Program Contact Person: Barbara Stewart.

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Competition Description: The incidence of Lyme disease in the United States has been increasing and is likely to continue to increase unless affected communities and populations at risk develop and implement integrated control and prevention strategies. In addition, there is a need to explore new methods of Lyme disease prevention and new treatment regimens that may yield higher levels of community and individual participation and behavior change than existing strategies. The purpose of the program is to evaluate and compare effectiveness and cost of established as well as novel methods for decreasing the incidence of Lyme disease in humans. The program's overall objective is to find the most effective strategies to lower the incidence of Lyme disease in endemic areas.

Eligible Applicants: Applications may be submitted by public and private nonprofit organizations and by governments and their agencies; that is, universities, colleges, technical schools, research institutions, hospitals, other public and private nonprofit organizations, community-based organizations, state and local governments or their bona fide agents, including 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), federally recognized Indian tribal governments, Indian tribes, or Indian tribal organizations. Faith-based organizations are eligible to apply for these funds.

Estimated Amount of This Competition: \$1,300,000.

Estimated Number of Awards to be Made: 2.

Estimated or Average Size of Each Award: \$650,000.

Estimated Project Period: 4 Years.

Application Availability Date: October 1, 2003.

Application Deadline: November 17, 2003.

Project Award Date: February 28, 2004.

Competition Title: Cooperative Agreement for Research on the Ecology and Control of Tick Vectors of Lyme Disease in the United States.

Program Announcement Number: 04007.

CFDA Number: 93.942.

Program Contact Person: Joe Piesman.

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Competition Description: The purpose of the program is to increase the understanding