

be reserved for emerging small business when there is a reasonable expectation of obtaining offers from two or more (three or more for A&E procurements) that will be competitive in terms of market price, quality, and delivery. If no such expectation exists, the procurement shall be processed as a small business simplified acquisition set aside in accordance with FAR 13.105 or in accordance with FAR 19.5 or 19.8. If the contracting officer determines a procurement cannot be set aside for small business under FAR 19.5 or 19.8, the procurement may be made using unrestricted procedures. The use of simplified acquisition purchase procedures is not required under the reserve program; therefore, any procurement method may be used. The reserve program applies only to new awards. Modifications within the scope of work of contracts having an initial award value in excess of the \$25,000 for construction and trash/garbage collection service or \$50,000 for A&E service are not subject to the reserve program.

Procurements of construction or trash/garbage collection services with estimated value in excess of \$25,000 and procurements of A&E services with an estimated value in excess of \$50,000 shall be made on an unrestricted basis as long as annual reviews show that GSA (as an agency) has attained the 40 percent goal. The 40 percent goal will be applied to each of the three (3) major groups in construction (groups 15, 16, and 17), to trash/garbage collection, and to A&E services. However, if goal attainment (for GSA as an agency) in any major group drops below 40 percent, small business set asides will be imposed. The continued use of unrestricted procedures is unaffected by an agency's failure to meet the 15 percent goal for emerging small business. When annual reviews show that GSA as an agency has not attained the 40 percent goal, competition will be restricted to small business, in accordance with FAR 19.5, on future procurements by the GSA contracting activities (e.g., regions) that failed to attain the goal. Other GSA contracting activities that meet the goals will continue to use unrestricted procedures. Notwithstanding the Small Business Competitiveness Demonstration Program, contracts may be awarded under the 8(a) program at any time. These procurements shall be made in accordance with the following procedures.

Construction Service in Groups 15, 16 and 17

Procurements for construction services in SIC group 15 (except solicitations issued by Regions 4, 7, and 9), SIC group 16 and in SIC group 17 shall be conducted on an unrestricted basis.

Procurements for construction services in SIC group 15 issued by contracting activities in Regions 4, 7, and 9 shall be set-aside for small business when there is a reasonable expectation of obtaining competition from two or more small businesses. If no expectation exists, the procurements may be conducted on an unrestricted basis.

Region 4 (Southeast-Sunbelt) encompasses the states of Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, North Carolina, South Carolina, Mississippi and Tennessee.

Region 7 (Greater Southwest) encompasses the states of Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Texas.

Region 9 (Pacific Rim) encompasses the state of Arizona, California, Hawaii and Nevada.

Trash/Garbage Collection Services in PSC S205

Procurements for trash/garbage collection services in PSC S205 (except solicitations issued by contracting activities in Regions 4 and 6) shall be conducted on an unrestricted basis.

Procurements for trash/garbage collection services issued by contracting activities in Regions 4 and 6 shall be set aside for small business when there is a reasonable expectation of obtaining competition from two or more small businesses. If no expectation exists, the procurements may be conducted on an unrestricted basis.

Region 4 (Southeast-Sunbelt) encompasses the states of Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, North Carolina, South Carolina, Mississippi and Tennessee.

Region 6 (Heartland) encompasses the states of Iowa, Kansas, Missouri and Nebraska.

Architect-Engineer Services (All PSC Codes Under the Demonstration Program)

Procurements for architect-engineer services (except solicitations issued by contracting activities in Regions 2, 4, 7, 10 and NCR) shall be conducted on an unrestricted basis.

Procurements for architect-engineer services issued by contracting activities in Regions 2, 4, 7, 10 and NCR shall be set aside for small business when there

is a reasonable expectation of obtaining competition from two or more small businesses. If no expectation exists, the procurements may be conducted on an unrestricted basis.

Region 2 (Northeast and Caribbean) encompasses the states of New Jersey, New York and territories of Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

Region 4 (Southeast-Sunbelt) encompasses the states of Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, North Carolina, South Carolina, Mississippi and Tennessee.

Region 7 (Greater Southwest) encompasses the states of Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Texas.

Region 10 (Northwest-Arctic) encompasses the states of Alaska, Idaho, Oregon and Washington.

The National Capitol Region (NCR) encompasses the District of Columbia, Montgomery and Prince Georges counties in Maryland the cities of Alexandria, Fairfax and Falls Church and the counties of Arlington, Fairfax, Loudoun and Prince William in Virginia.

Non-Nuclear Ship Repair

GSA does not procure for non-nuclear ship repair.

Dated: March 26, 1999.

J. Les Davison,

Acting Deputy Associate Administrator for Acquisition Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Office of Public Health and Science, HHS.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: As stipulated by the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the Department of Health and Human Service (DHHS) is hereby given notice that the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports will hold a meeting. This meeting is open to the public. A description of the Council's functions is included also with this notice.

DATES: May 3, 1999, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Department of Health and Human Services, Room 800 Hubert H. Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20201.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sandra Perlmutter, Executive Director,

President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports, Room 738H Hubert H. Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20201, (202) 690-5187.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports (PCPFS) was established in 1956 by President Eisenhower after published reports indicated that American boys and girls were unfit compared to the children of Western Europe.

The Council has undergone two name and changes and several reorganizations before reaching its present status as a program office within the Office of Public Health and Science in the Department of Health and Human Services. It currently operates under directives issued in Executive Order 12345, as amended. PCPFS serves as a catalyst to promote, encourage, and motivate the development of physical fitness and sports participation for all ages. The primary functions of the Council include (1) to advise the President and Secretary concerning progress made in carrying out the provisions of the Executive Order and recommend to the President and Secretary, as necessary, actions to accelerate progress; (2) to advise the Secretary on matters pertaining to the ways and means of enhancing opportunities for participation in physical fitness and sports actions to extend and improve physical activity programs and services; and (3) to advise the Secretary on State, local, and private actions to extend and improve physical activity programs and services.

This meeting of the Council is being held to apprise members of the status of ongoing Council programs and activities, and to make plans for future directions.

Dated: March 30, 1999.

Sandra. P. Perlmutter,
Executive Director, President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Interagency Committee on Smoking and Health: Notice of Recharter

This gives notice under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463) of October 6, 1972, that the charter for the Interagency Committee on Smoking and Health (ICSH) of the

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services, has been renewed for a 2-year period, through March 19, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Elizabeth Majestic, Deputy Director, Office on Smoking and Health, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, CDC, 4770 Buford Highway, NE, M/S K-50, Atlanta, Georgia 30341, telephone 770/488-5709.

The Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, has been delegated the authority to sign **Federal Register** notices pertaining to announcements of meetings and other committee management activities, for both the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

Dated: March 30, 1999.

Carolyn J. Russell,

Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

[Program Announcement 99066]

Primate Model for Studying the Pathogenesis of Measles Infections and for Development of Improved Measles Vaccines; Notice of Availability of Funds

A. Purpose

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the availability of fiscal year (FY) 1999 funds for a cooperative agreement program to support research into the pathogenesis of measles virus in a primate model. This program addresses the "Healthy People 2000" priority area of Immunization and Infectious Diseases. The goal of this program is to assist researchers in defining the mechanism of immune protection from measles virus and to use this information to develop improved vaccines for worldwide measles control efforts.

Specifically, the purpose of the program is to achieve the following research goals:

1. Use the rhesus macaque as a primate model for measles infections. Studies should attempt to reproduce disease in rhesus that closely resembles

measles in humans. It will be important to develop viral stocks which can reliably produce disease in rhesus by the intranasal route and to describe the pathogenesis of this disease in the animal host.

2. Characterize the immune response to natural measles disease and measles vaccination. Studies should attempt to measure differences between the immune response in animals receiving measles vaccines to those experiencing infection with a virulent strain. Efforts should be aimed at providing a complete description of the humoral, and especially, the cellular immune responses.

3. Development of improved measles vaccines. Research efforts should be directed at developing and testing novel vaccine formulations that could be used to stimulate an immune response in the presence of maternal antibody. Such vaccines would be used to protect newborns from measles infection or disease during their first year of life. Vaccines that could be used to stimulate or boost immunity in immunocompromized individuals should also be considered.

4. Evaluation of immune response to individual measles virus antigens. Research should be designed to measure the immune response generated by experimental measles vaccines and individual measles antigens. Efforts should be made to identify epitopes on measles proteins which are the most effective in inducing humoral and cellular immune responses in an outbred population.

B. 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, and federally recognized Indian tribal governments, Indian tribes, or Indian tribal organizations.

Note: Public Law 104-65 states that an organization described in section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 that engages in lobbying activities is not eligible to receive Federal funds constituting an award, grant, cooperative agreement, contract, loan, or any other form.

C. Availability of Funds

Approximately \$300,000 is available in FY 1999 to fund approximately two awards. It is expected that the average award will be \$150,000, ranging from \$100,000 to \$200,000. It is expected that the awards will begin on or about