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The Director, Office of Strategic Business Initiatives, Office of the Chief Operating Officer, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 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.

**Kalwant Smagh,**

*Director, Office of Strategic Business Initiatives, Office of the Chief Operating Officer, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

#### Notice of Award of a Sole Source Cooperative Agreement To Fund Uganda National Health Laboratories and Diagnostic Services (NHLDS)

**AGENCY:** Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), located within the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), announces the award of approximately \$10,000,000, for Year 1 funding to NHLDS. The award will strengthen laboratory systems in Uganda by contributing to the attainment of HIV epidemic control and establishing sustainable and integrated systems for quality assured disease diagnostics, monitoring, and surveillance. Funding amounts for years 2-5 will be set at continuation.

**DATES:** The period for this award will be September 30, 2024, through September 29, 2029.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Christina Mwangi, Center for Global Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, US Embassy Kampala, US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1577 Ggaba Road, Telephone: 256772139023, Email: [mwn0@cdc.gov](mailto:mwn0@cdc.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The sole source award will strengthen Uganda's access to quality laboratory services during the scale up of HIV prevention, care, and treatment by supporting implementation of the Uganda National Health Laboratory Services (UNHLS) Policy II (2016) and its Strategic Plan (2020-2025).

NHLDS is in a unique position to conduct this work, as it is the primary stakeholder of laboratory-related policy development, strategic planning, and resources mobilization for the Ministry of Health (MOH). Additionally, NHLDS directly houses and manages the Central Public Health Reference Laboratory (CPHL) which is the national reference laboratory for HIV early infant diagnosis and viral load, national microbiology reference laboratory, national Tuberculosis (TB) reference laboratory, the national laboratory biorepository and national equipment calibration center. Furthermore, the NHLDS is the primary coordinator of the integrated national laboratory specimen transportation network that handles both HIV, TB and outbreak specimen referral across the country.

#### Summary of the Award

*Recipient:* Uganda National Health Laboratories and Diagnostic Services (NHLDS).

*Purpose of the Award:* The purpose of this award is to strengthen laboratory systems in Uganda by contributing to the attainment of HIV epidemic control and establishing sustainable and integrated systems for quality assured disease diagnostics, monitoring, and surveillance.

*Amount of Award:* For NHLDS, the approximate year 1 funding amount will be \$10,000,000 in Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2024 funds, subject to the availability of funds. Funding amounts for years 2-5 will be set at continuation.

*Authority:* This program is authorized under Public Law 108-25 (the United States Leadership Against HIV AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria Act of 2003) [22 U.S.C. 7601, *et seq.*] and Public Law 110-293 (the Tom Lantos and Henry J. Hyde United States Global Leadership Against HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria Reauthorization Act of 2008), and Public Law 113-56 (PEPFAR Stewardship and Oversight Act of 2013).

*Period of Performance:* The period for this award will be September 30, 2024, through September 29, 2029.

Dated: February 26, 2024.

**Jamie Legier,**

*Acting Director, Office of Grants Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

#### Solicitation of Nominations for Appointment to the Communications and Public Engagement Workgroup (CPEW) of the Advisory Committee to the Director (ACD), CDC

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), within the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), is seeking nominations for membership to the Communications and Public Engagement Workgroup (CPEW) of the Advisory Committee to the Director, CDC. The CPEW workgroup consists of approximately 15 members who are experts in the fields associated with communications, including public relations, health communication, risk communication, communication research, and marketing; community and partner engagement; public health science and practice, including implementation; and behavioral science/behavior change campaigns.

**DATES:** Nominations for membership on the CPEW workgroup must be received no later than March 28, 2024. Late nominations will not be considered for membership.

**ADDRESSES:** All nominations (cover letters and curriculum vitae) should be emailed to [ACDDirector@cdc.gov](mailto:ACDDirector@cdc.gov) with the subject line: "Nomination for CDC ACD Communications and Public Engagement Workgroup."

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kate Galatas, MPH, Senior Communications Specialist, Office of Communications, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road (MS H21-11), Atlanta, GA 30329-4027, Telephone: (404) 639-2064; Email: [ACDDirector@cdc.gov](mailto:ACDDirector@cdc.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Background:* The purpose of the ACD, CDC Advisory Committee to the Director shall (1) make recommendations to the Director regarding ways to prioritize the activities of the agency in alignment with the CDC Strategic Plan required under section 305(c); H.R. 2617-1252; (2) advise on ways to achieve or improve performance metrics in relation to the CDC Strategic Plan, and other relevant metrics, as appropriate; (3) provide advice and recommendations on the development of the Strategic Plan, and any subsequent updates, as