

fellow in the intramural program of the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI), NIH, engaged in scientific misconduct by falsifying and fabricating data published in two publications.

Specifically, PHS found that Dr. Handa:

(1) Fabricated or falsified the following data in a paper published in *J. Gen. Virol.* 81:2077–2084, 2000: (A) Data for the AAV–3 construct for days 2, 5, and 7 and data for the AAV–2 construct for days 5 and 7 in Table 1; (B) day 2 data in Table 2; and (C) Figure 4; and

(2) Falsified the following data in a paper published in *J. Gen. Virol.* 81:2461–2469, 2000: (A) Figure 3; and (B) data in Table 2; retracted at *J. Gen. Virol.* 82:2837, 2000.

These actions were serious because the purported findings on the GV virus C/hepatitis G and AAV–2 viruses could have had major impact in areas such as hepatitis research and gene therapy.

Dr. Handa has entered into a Voluntary Exclusion Agreement in which he has voluntarily agreed:

(1) To exclude himself from any contracting or subcontracting with any agency of the United States Government and from eligibility for, or involvement in, nonprocurement transactions (e.g., grants and cooperative agreements) of the United States Government as defined in 45 CFR part 76 (Debarment Regulations), for a period of five (5) years, beginning on April 4, 2002;

(2) To exclude himself from serving in any advisory capacity to PHS, including but not limited to service on any PHS advisory committee, board, and/or peer review committee, or as a consultant, for a period of five (5) years, beginning on April 4, 2002; and

(3) To submit a letter of retraction to the editor of the *Journal of General Virology* identifying the missing data as well as the falsified or fabricated data in Figure 3A and Table 2 of the paper published in *J. Gen. Virol.* 81:2461–2469, 2000, within 30 days of the effective date of this Agreement. This retraction requirement will remain on the ALERT System until Dr. Handa sends, and ORI receives, a copy of the retraction letter that is consistent with the above language.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Director, Division of Investigative Oversight, Office of Research Integrity, 5515 Security Lane, Suite 700, Rockville, MD 20852. (301) 443–5330.

Chris B. Pascal,

Director, Office of Research Integrity.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality; Notice of Meetings

In accordance with section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act as amended (5 U.S.C., appendix 2), the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) announces meetings of scientific peer review groups. The subcommittees listed below are part of the Agency's Health Services Research Initial Review Group Committee.

The subcommittee meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, section 10(d) of 5 U.S.C., appendix 2 and 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(6). Grant applications are to be reviewed and discussed at these meetings. These discussions are likely to reveal personal information concerning individuals associated with the applications. This information is exempt from mandatory disclosure under the above-cited statutes.

1. *Name of Subcommittee:* Health Care Research Training.
Date: May 16–17, 2002 (Open from 8 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. and closed for remainder of the meeting).
Place: AHRQ, 6010 Executive Boulevard, 4th Floor Conference Center, Rockville, Maryland 20852.
2. *Name of Subcommittee:* Health Care Technology and Decision Sciences.
Date: June 6–7, 2002 (Open from 8 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. and closed for remainder of the meeting).
Place: AHRQ, 6010 Executive Boulevard, 4th Floor Conference Center, Rockville, Maryland 20852.
3. *Name of Subcommittee:* Health Research Dissemination and Implementation.
Date: June 17–18, 2002 (Open from 8 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. and closed for remainder of the meeting).
Place: AHRQ, 6010 Executive Boulevard, 4th Floor Conference Center, Rockville, Maryland 20852.
4. *Name of Subcommittee:* Health Care Quality and Effectiveness Research.
Date: June 20–21, 2002 (Open from 8 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. and closed for remainder of the meeting).
Place: AHRQ, 6010 Executive Boulevard, 4th Floor Conference Center, Rockville, Maryland 20852.
5. *Name of Subcommittee:* Health Systems Research.
Date: June 26–27, 2002 (Open from 8 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. and closed for remainder of the meeting).
Place: AHRQ, 6010 Executive Boulevard, 4th Floor Conference Center, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

Contact Person: Anyone wishing to obtain a roster of members, agenda or minutes of the nonconfidential portions of the meetings should contact Mrs. Bonnie Campbell, Committee Management Officer, Office of Research Review, Education and Policy, AHRQ, 2101 East Jefferson Street, Suite 400, Rockville, Maryland 20852, Telephone (301) 594–1846.

Agenda items for these meetings are subject to change as priorities dictate.

Dated: April 12, 2002.

Carolyn M. Clancy,

Acting Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

Community-Based Dental Partnership Program Grant Announcement

AGENCY: Health Resources and Services Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice of availability of funds.

SUMMARY: The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) announces the availability of fiscal year (FY) 2002 funds to be awarded under the Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resources Emergency (CARE) Act Community-Based Dental Partnership Program for grants that support partnerships between dental education programs and community-based dental providers, to provide oral health care to low income, unserved patients with HIV disease. Grants will be awarded for a 3-year period.

Program Purpose

The goals of the Community-Based Dental Partnership Program are to increase access to oral health care for low-income patients with HIV in areas that remain unserved and to increase the number of dental providers capable of managing the oral health needs of patients with HIV, through community-based service-learning experiences. Eligible applicants must work collaboratively with community-based dental providers (such as community-based or faith-based organizations or private practice dental providers that currently provide or plan to provide oral health services) to address unmet oral health needs of unserved populations with HIV. The documentation of unmet HIV oral health needs or unserved HIV positive populations will be based upon data submitted within the application

which includes Statement of Unmet Need, local and other relevant epidemiological data, availability of current HIV health care including oral health services, and a description of proposed population and community to be served.

Program Requirements

The dental education program will be the official grantee of record, but applications must reflect joint efforts and represent collaboration among all partners. As part of the partnership program, applicants will be required to:

- (1) document formal written partnership agreements;
- (2) provide oral health care through student and resident rotations in community-based dental facilities;
- (3) enable the participation of community-based dental providers as adjunct faculty;
- (4) provide supervision and training in a clinically-based educational experience for predoctoral students, postdoctoral students and dental residents, and dental hygiene students; and
- (5) provide preparatory training to enable students and community-based faculty to provide competent oral health care for patients with HIV.

Eligible Applicants

Accredited dental schools, postdoctoral dental education programs, and dental hygiene education programs in the United States, including Puerto Rico are eligible to participate in the program.

Funding Priorities and/or Preferences

In awarding these grants, preference will be given to applicant partnerships in both rural and urban areas that are currently unserved, especially communities without dental education programs. Eligible applicants are encouraged to collaborate with community-based and/or faith-based organizations that currently provide or plan to provide oral health services.

Authorizing Legislation

The Community-Based Dental Partnership Program is authorized by the Public Health Service (PHS) Act, as amended by Public Law 106-345, the Ryan White CARE Act and Amendments of 2000 (42 U.S. Code 300-71).

Availability of Funds

Approximately \$3.5 million is available to fund this initiative. HRSA anticipates funding up to 20 dental education programs for 3 years. The budget and project periods for approved and funded projects will begin on or about September 1, 2002. Continuation

awards within the 3-year project period will be made on the basis of progress toward achieving program goals, and the availability of funds.

Application Deadline

Applications are to be submitted via mail to the HRSA Grants Application Center (GAC) on or before close of business June 14, 2002. Applications will meet the deadline if they are either (1) received on or before the deadline date or (2) postmarked on or before the deadline date, and received in time for submission to the objective review panel. A legible dated receipt from a commercial carrier or U.S. Postal Service will be accepted instead of a postmark. Private metered postmarks will not be accepted as proof of timely mailing.

Obtaining Application Guidance and Kit

You may access the program guidance alone on HRSA's Web site at www.hrsa.hab.gov/grants.html.

The official grant application kit and program guidance for this announcement may be obtained from the HRSA Grants Application Center, 901 Russell Avenue, Suite 450, Gaithersburg, MD 20879, Attn: CFDA 93.924; telephone 1-877-477-2234; e-mail address HRSA.GAC@hrsa.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Additional information related to the program may be requested by contacting the Program Development Branch, Division of Community-Based Programs, HIV/AIDS Bureau, Health Resources and Services Administration; telephone (301) 443-2177.

Dated: April 12, 2002.

Elizabeth M. Duke,
Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

Maternal and Child Health Federal Set-Aside Program; Special Projects of Regional and National Significance; Integrated Comprehensive Women's Health Services in State MCH Programs Grant Program

AGENCY: Health Resources and Services Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice of availability of funds.

SUMMARY: The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) announces that approximately \$600,000

in fiscal year (FY) 2002 funds is available to fund up to 6 grants to establish a locus of responsibility for women's health in State MCH Programs. The purpose of this grant program (CFDA Number 93.110AK) is to improve the coordination of women's health services at the State level through the development of linkages and partnerships among community-based organizations, academic institutions, federal, state, and local agencies. Infrastructure development is essential to overcome fragmentation in the delivery of health care services to women, to ensure that they have access to comprehensive, coordinated care that includes, in addition to reproductive health services, preventive services, education and counseling, referrals, and follow up. Eligibility is open to any public or private entity, including an Indian tribe or tribal organization (as defined at 25 U.S.C. 450b). Awards will be made under the program authority of section 501(a)(2) of the Social Security Act, the Maternal and Child Health (MCH) Federal Set-Aside Program (42 USC 701(a)(2)). Funds for these awards were appropriated under Public Law 107-116. Projects will be approved for a three-year period, with awards averaging about \$100,000 for the first year. Funding after the initial year is contingent upon the availability of funds.

DATES: Applicants are expected to notify MCHB's Division of Perinatal Systems and Women's Health of their intent to apply by May 10, 2002. The deadline for receipt of applications is June 17, 2002. Applications will be considered "on time" if they are complete and either received on or before the deadline date or postmarked on or before the deadline date. The projected award date is September 1, 2002.

ADDRESSES: To receive a complete application kit, applicants may telephone the HRSA Grants Application Center at 1-877-477-2123 (1-877-HRSA-123) beginning April 26, 2002, or register on-line at: <http://www.hrsa.gov/>, or by accessing http://www.hrsa.gov/_order3.htm directly. This program uses the standard form PHS 5161-1 (rev. 7/00) for applications (approved under OMB No. 0920-0428). Applicants must use the appropriate Catalog for Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number when requesting application materials. The CFDA is a Government-wide compendium of enumerated Federal programs, projects, services, and activities that provide assistance. The