

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES****Office of the Secretary****Office of Minority Health; Notice of a Cooperative Agreement with The National Alliance for Hispanic Health.**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary, Office of Minority Health.

**ACTION:** Notice of a Cooperative Agreement with The National Alliance for Hispanic Health.

The Office of Minority Health (OMH), Office of Public Health and Science, announces its intent to continue support of the umbrella cooperative agreement with The National Alliance for Hispanic Health (Alliance), formerly known as the National Coalition of Hispanic Health and Human Services Organizations. This cooperative agreement will continue the broad programmatic framework in which specific projects can be supported by various governmental agencies during the project period.

The purpose of this cooperative agreement is to support the efforts of the Alliance in expanding and enhancing its activities relevant to education, health promotion, disease prevention, and family and youth violence prevention, with the ultimate goal of improving the health status of minorities and disadvantaged people.

The OMH will provide technical assistance and oversight as necessary for the implementation, conduct, and assessment of the project activities. On an as-needed basis, OMH will assist in arranging consultation from other government agencies and non-government agencies.

**Authority**

This cooperative agreement is authorized under Section 1707(e)(1) of the Public Health Service Act, as amended.

**Background**

Assistance will continue to be provided to the Alliance. During the last five years, the Alliance has successfully demonstrated the ability to work with health agencies on mutual education, service, and research endeavors. The Alliance is uniquely qualified to continue to accomplish the purposes of this cooperative agreement because it has the following combination of factors:

- It has developed, expanded, and managed an infrastructure to coordinate and implement various medical intervention programs within local communities and physician groups that

deal extensively with Hispanic health issues. The Alliance has also established several oversight committees that provide a foundation upon which to develop, promote, and manage health intervention, education, and training programs which are aimed at preventing and reducing unnecessary morbidity and mortality among most minority population.

- It has established itself and its members as an organization with professionals who serve as leaders and experts in planning, developing, implementing, and evaluating health education, prevention, and promotion programs aimed at reducing excessive mortality and adverse health behaviors among Hispanic communities.

- It has developed databases and directories of health services, health care accessibility issues, and professional development initiatives that deal exclusively with Hispanic populations that are necessary for any intervention dealing with this minority population.

- It has assessed and evaluated the current education, research, and disease prevention and health promotion activities for its members, affiliated groups, and represented sub-populations.

- It has developed a coalition whose members are all predominately minority health care professionals and providers with excellent professional performance records.

- It has developed a base of critical knowledge, skills, and abilities related to serving Hispanic clients with a range of health and social problems. Through the collective efforts of its members, its affiliated community-based organizations, sponsored research, and sponsored health education and prevention programs, the Alliance has demonstrated (1) the ability to work with academic institutions and health agencies on mutual education, service, and research endeavors relating to the goal of disease prevention and health promotion of minorities and disadvantaged peoples, (2) the leadership necessary to attract minority students into public health careers, and (3) the leadership needed to assist health care professionals to work more effectively with Hispanic clients and communities, as well as other minority populations.

This cooperative agreement will be continued for an additional five-year project period with 12-month budget periods. Depending upon the types of projects and availability of funds, it is anticipated that this cooperative agreement will receive approximately \$100,000 per year. Continuation awards

within the project period will be made on the basis of satisfactory progress and the availability of funds.

**Where To Obtain Additional Information**

If you are interested in obtaining additional information regarding this cooperative agreement, contact Ms. Cynthia Amis, Office of Minority Health, 5515 Security Lane, Suite 1000, Rockville, Maryland 20852 or telephone (301) 594-0769.

**OMB Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance**

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number for this cooperative agreement is 93.004.

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES****Office of the Secretary****Healthy People 2010**

**AGENCY:** DHHS/OS/Office of Public Health and Science, Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (ODPHP).

**ACTION:** Notice of change in program announcements of the Department of Health and Human Services to reflect the advent of Healthy People 2010, the national health goals/targets for the first decade of the 21st century.

**SUMMARY:** Certain program announcements by the Department of Health and Human Services have included references to the principles and objectives of Healthy People 2000, the national health promotion and disease prevention initiative in effect during the decade of the 1990's. With the conclusion of that initiative at the turn of the century, the successor initiative, Healthy People 2010, supplants Healthy People 2000 in all such references.

**DATES:** This change is effective as of January 25, 2000, the date of public release of Healthy People 2010, except that it does not affect program announcements concerning grants, cooperative agreements, or contracts already in force from years prior to 2000 or currently in effect in fiscal year 2000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Room 738-G Hubert H.