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CHILD CARE

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Administration for Children and Families Child Care Research and Evaluation

Program: The purpose of this program announcement is to fund cooperative agreements and grants that will increase the capacity for child care research at national, state, and local levels while simultaneously answering critical questions with implications for children and families, particularly low-income working families and families transitioning off welfare.

Child Care Research Collaboration and Archive (Priority Area 1)

The purpose of this priority area is to seek qualified applicants for a cooperative agreement to launch and operate the Child Care Research Collaboration and Archive, a knowledge management and support system for the child care field.

Evaluation of Promising Models and Delivery Approaches to Child Care Provider Training (Priority Area 2)

The purpose of this project is to identify and test a training model and alternative delivery approaches that show promise for improving the knowledge, skill, and performance of child care providers.

Child Care Research Scholars (Priority Area 3)

Scholarships will be awarded to doctoral candidates for child-care research conducted under the auspices of the Child Care Bureau and the educational institution in which the student is enrolled. The purpose of this scholarship program is to increase the number of competent researchers with a sound grasp of child care research and its implications for policies and programs. A primary goal is to foster formal mentoring relationships between faculty members and graduate students who are pursuing research in the child care field. A related goal is to promote the growth of such relationships in colleges and universities throughout the United States in order to develop the national infrastructure for high quality child care research.

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- Funds:** *Priority Area 1:*
Grant size: up to \$1,500,000 per year for five years
Number of awards: one
Priority Area 2:
Grant size: up to \$1,900,000 per year for four years
Number of awards: one
Priority Area 3:
Grant size: up to \$30,000 for first year, with continuation funding of up to \$20,000 for a second year
Number of awards: approximately four
- Deadline:** August 25, 2003
- Eligible:** *Priority Areas 1 and 2:* non-profit agencies and organizations, including faith and community-based organizations, public and private institutions such as colleges and universities, and agencies of state and local governments
Priority Area 3: universities and colleges acting on behalf of graduate students who are pursuing a doctorate and who anticipate completing a child care-related dissertation. The institution must be fully accredited by one of the regional accrediting commissions recognized by the Department of Education and the Council of Post- Secondary Accreditation.
- Information:** Karen Tvedt, Director of Policy and Research, Child Care Bureau, 330 C Street, SW, Room 2046, Switzer Building, Washington DC 20447, Telephone: (202) 401-5130, Fax: (202) 690-5600, E-mail: ktvedt@acf.hhs.gov , Link: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-17395.htm>
- FR:** 7/9 40967-40982

**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
Administration of Children, Youth, and Families, Child Care Bureau
Early Learning Opportunities Act Discretionary Grants**

- Program:** The purposes of the Early Learning Opportunities Act program grants are:
- To increase the availability of voluntary programs, services, and activities that support early childhood development, increase parent effectiveness, and promote the learning readiness of young children so that they enter school ready to learn;
 - To support parents, child care providers, and caregivers who want to incorporate early learning activities into the daily lives of young children;
 - To remove barriers to the provision of an accessible system of early childhood learning programs in communities throughout the United States;
 - To increase the availability and affordability of professional development activities and compensation for caregivers and child care providers; and
 - To facilitate the development of community-based systems of collaborative service delivery models characterized by resource sharing, linkages between appropriate supports, and local planning for services.

- Funds:** Average grant size: \$700,000
Range of grants: \$250,000 and \$1,000,000

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Deadline: Number of awards: 50
August 6, 2003
Eligible: Local Councils established or designated by a local government entity to serve as applicant for one or more localities.
Information: Carol L. Gage, Federal Project Officer, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration of Children, Youth, and Families, Child Care Bureau, Switzer Building, Room 2046, 330 C Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20447, Telephone: (202) 690-6243, E-mail: cgage@acf.hhs.gov, Link: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-16099.htm>
FR: 6/25 37830-37846

COMMUNITY SERVICE

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Administration for Children and Families

Office of Community Services

Compassion Capital Fund Targeted Capacity-Building Program

Program: The Compassion Capital Fund will provide awards to build the capacity of faith-based and community organizations, especially partnerships and coalitions, that address the needs of at-risk youth or the homeless. Awards will assist these organizations to improve their program effectiveness and sustainability, access funds from diverse sources, and emulate model programs and best practices.

Funds: Total funds available: \$2.5 million
Grant size: \$50,000
Number of awards: 50

Deadline: August 11, 2003

Eligible: Private, non-profit, faith-based, and community organizations, particularly partnerships or coalitions, with a proven track record in serving the needs of at-risk youth or the homeless.

Information: Office of Community Services Operations Center, 1815 North Fort Myer Drive, Suite 300, Arlington, Virginia 22209, Telephone: (800) 281-9519, E-mail:

OCS@lcnnet.com. Link:

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-17412.htm>

FR: 7/10 41147-41153

EDUCATION

U.S. Department of Education

Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services

Training and Information for Parents of Children With Disabilities Program

Technical Assistance for the Parent Centers

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Program:

Parent Centers ensure that parents of children with disabilities receive training and information to help improve results for their children. The program priority is authorized under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) for the purpose of developing, assisting, and coordinating parent training and information programs carried out by Parent Training and Information Centers (PTIs) and the Community Parent Resource Centers (CPRCs). This priority will support cooperative agreements in two focus areas: (1) A national technical assistance project, the National Parent Technical Assistance Center (National Parent TAC); and (2) six regional technical assistance centers, Regional Parent Technical Assistance Centers (Regional Parent TACs), which will coordinate with the National Parent TAC and provide direct support to the PTIs and CPRCs in their identified states based on the best empirical evidence of how to meet the informational and training needs of families who have children with disabilities.

Focus Area 1

The National Parent Technical Assistance Center funded under this priority will assist six Regional Parent Technical Assistance Centers (TAC) in creating a unified technical assistance system. The National Parent TAC must:

- ✓ Collaborate with other technical assistance providers and researchers in developing or adapting resource and training materials that incorporate scientifically based research and best practices for use by the PTIs and the CPRCs;
- ✓ Maintain and update a materials database that aligns with the Office of Special Education Programs Product Database and the Dissemination Center, which includes products developed under paragraph and, to the extent possible, materials in multiple languages and accessible formats;
- ✓ Develop an evaluation instrument, in collaboration with Office of Special Education Programs, to be used by all the funded PTIs and CPRCs, that measures program effectiveness and outcomes for children;
- ✓ Establish a mechanism for data collection and reporting that corresponds to the outcomes and information needs as determined through collaboration and coordination with the regional centers and Office of Special Education Programs;
- ✓ Maximize the computer and technological capacities of the PTIs and CPRCs by building on the system and network currently in place;
- ✓ Plan and conduct an annual national conference, in conjunction with the Office of Special Education Programs project officer and the six Regional Parent TACs, for all the funded parent centers in this program;
- ✓ Plan and conduct a New Directors Conference for all new directors of PTIs and CPRCs;
- ✓ Provide direct technical assistance to the Military and Native American National Centers funded under this program;
- ✓ Collaborate with other technical assistance providers, such as the Federal Resource Center (FRC), the Regional Resource Centers (RRCs), and the Dissemination Center, to use available resources, to access research-based practices and findings, and to participate in educational and system reform activities to improve results for children with disabilities.

Focus Area 2

The six Regional Parent TACs will coordinate with the National Parent TAC in order

to promote a unified system for the provision of technical assistance to PTIs and CPRCs and to strengthen and enhance the Office of Special Education Programs Technical Assistance and Dissemination Network. Each project must—

- ✓ Provide direct technical assistance to PTIs and CPRCs in its region on outreach efforts to underserved and underrepresented populations and other initiatives;
- ✓ Disseminate information through a variety of mechanisms to individual parent centers on management processes or content areas (such as federal education law, special education and related services issues, system reform, laws and regulations, alternative dispute resolution, and networking), as identified through a needs assessment;
- ✓ Collaborate with other technical assistance providers, such as the FRC, RRCs, and the Dissemination Center, to use available resources, to access research-based practices and findings, and to participate in educational and system reform activities;
- ✓ Collaborate with the National Parent TAC, the FRC, and RRCs to improve collaboration and coordination of efforts among RRCs, PTIs, and CPRCs on the preparation of training materials that include scientifically based research and best practices and information;

Funds: *Focus Area 1:*
Total funds available: \$900,000
Number of awards: 1

Focus Area 2:
Total funds available: \$1,500,000
Average grant size: \$250,000
Number of awards: 6

Deadline: August 8, 2003

Eligible: Nonprofit private organizations

Information: The Grants and Contracts Services Team, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Room 3317, Switzer Building, Washington, DC 20202-2550, Telephone: (202) 205-8207, Link: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-17360.htm>

FR: 7/9 40914-40918

The Barbara Bush Foundation Family Literacy Program

Program: The goal of the national grant program is to develop and expand family literacy efforts nationwide and to support the development of literacy programs that build families of readers.

Funds: Total funds available: \$650,000
Grant size: Up to \$65,000

Deadline: September 5, 2003.

Eligible: Non-profit organizations and public agencies such as local education agencies, libraries, and state agencies that provide family literacy programs, which must include all of the following components:

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- reading instruction for parents or primary care-givers, such as pre-GED, GED, and ESL;
- literacy or pre-literacy instruction for children; and
- intergenerational activities where the parents or primary caregivers and children come together to learn and to read.

Programs also may include additional components such as parent support groups, parent involvement, home visits, and job training.

Information: Patty Limjap, The Barbara Bush Foundation for Family Literacy, 1201 15th Street, NW, Suite 420, Washington, DC 20005, Telephone: (202) 955-6183, E-mail: plimjap@cfncr.org, Link: <http://www.barbarabushfoundation.com/nga.html>

HEALTH

U.S. Department Of Health and Human Services Health Resources and Services Administration Operational Health Center Networks

Program: The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) announces the availability of funding for health centers to support costs associated with the operation of a practice management or managed care network or plan, including the purchase or lease of equipment.

Funds: Total funds available: \$2,100,000
Range of grants: \$150,000 to \$300,000
Number of awards: 5 to 7

Deadline: August 11, 2003

Eligible: Health centers, as defined and funded under section 330 of the Public Health Service Act, operational networks, controlled by and acting on behalf of the health center(s) as defined and funded under section 330 of the Public Health Service Act, and public and non-profit organizations, including faith-based and community organizations

Information: Christie Brown, Health Resources and Services Administration Grants Application Center, 901 Russell Avenue, Suite 450, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20879, Telephone: (301) 594-4314, Email: CBrown1@hrsa.gov, Link: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-17530.htm>

FR: 7/11 41390-41391

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Cooperative Agreement for the Development and Evaluation of Medical Laboratory Quality Indicators and the Monitoring of Voluntary Practice Guidelines as a Model

Program: The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention announces the availability of funds for a cooperative agreement for a program to develop and evaluate appropriate medical laboratory quality indicators and to evaluate the implementation of voluntary laboratory practice guidelines. The purpose of the program is twofold:

- ✓ Collaborate with a broad spectrum of laboratories, care providers, and payers, and

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public health to develop and evaluate appropriate laboratory quality indicators and to develop a plan for collection and monitoring of the indicators.

- ✓ Evaluate implementation of voluntary practice guidelines and assess the barriers to their implementation. This activity may be considered a subcomponent of the first activity and serve as a model for some of the quality indicators.

Funds: Total funds available: \$125,000

Number of awards: one

Deadline: August 8, 2003

Eligible: Public and private nonprofit organizations, faith-based organizations, state and local governments or their bona fide agents

Information: Devery Howerton, Ph.D., Chief, Laboratory Practice Evaluation and Genomics Branch, Division of Laboratory Systems, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Public Health Practice Program Office, 4770 Buford Highway, NE., Mailstop G-23, Atlanta, GA 30341-3717, Telephone: (770) 488-8126, E-mail: dhowerton@cdc.gov, Link: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-17308.htm>

FR: 7/9 40954-40956

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Enhancing Testing Practices in the Clinical Laboratory by Developing Specific Training Activities for Medical Technologists, Medical Laboratory Technicians, and Pathologists

Program: The purpose of the program is to enhance laboratory testing practices and the quality of laboratory testing in the United States. These enhancements in testing practices and the quality of laboratory testing will be related to areas of public health significance such as antimicrobial susceptibility testing, human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) rapid testing, testing for genetic disorders, chemical terrorism events, other diseases of public health importance, and the regulations governing laboratory testing. In addition to enhancing the quality of laboratory testing, the cooperative agreement also will evaluate the training received by laboratory medical technologists, medical laboratory technicians, and pathologists to ensure appropriate training efforts are being developed and targeted effectively to the work force located in clinical laboratories across the United States.

Funds: Total funds available: \$150,000

Number of awards: one

Deadline: August 8, 2003

Eligible: Public and private nonprofit organizations, faith-based organizations

Information: William O. Schalla, M.S., Associate Director for Program and Finance, Division of Laboratory Systems, Public Health Practice Program Office, 4770 Buford Highway, NE, Atlanta, GA 30341, Telephone: (770) 488-8098, E-mail: wschalla@cdc.gov, Link: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-17307.htm>

FR: 7/9 40956-40958

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

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Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Initiative To Integrate Clinical Laboratories in Public Health Laboratory Testing

Program: The purpose of the program is to demonstrate the potential ways in which clinical laboratories may be better prepared to conduct public health related testing and participate in the public health system. Activities must revolve around national priorities for public health testing, such as those related to anti-microbial susceptibility, hepatitis C virus, HIV/AIDS, rapid HIV testing, food-borne diseases, sexually transmitted diseases, West Nile Virus, and other diseases of public health significance. Specifically, activities should center on investigating shortcomings in the delivery of medical and public health laboratory services, creating and demonstrating new approaches to create and implement voluntary laboratory practice standards, assessing the factors that impact why voluntary standards are or are not followed by clinical laboratories, training clinical laboratorians to better understand and adhere to voluntary national guidelines for testing and, as applicable, reporting results to public health authorities in the areas listed above. To the extent possible, the investigator(s) should demonstrate the possibilities for conducting some of the above activities in regional settings, and possibly in collaboration with Indian Health Service clinical laboratories.

Funds: Total funds available: \$200,000

Number of awards: one

Deadline: August 8, 2003

Eligible: Public and private nonprofit organizations, universities, research institutions, faith-based organizations, state, tribal, and local governments or their bona fide agents

Information: Deborah Workman, Contract Specialist, CDC Procurement and Grants Office, 2920 Brandywine Road, Atlanta, GA 30341-4146, Telephone: (770) 488-2085, E- mail: atl7@cdc.gov, Link:

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003-17305.htm>

FR: 7/9 40959

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Viral Hepatitis Integration and Intervention Projects

Program: The purpose of this program is to

- ✓ Improve the delivery of existing viral hepatitis prevention services in programs known to serve adults and adolescents at high risk for infection, such as sexually transmitted disease clinics, human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) counseling and testing sites, health care programs serving correctional facilities, primary health care settings, substance abuse prevention or treatment centers;
- ✓ Evaluate the effectiveness of different strategies to deliver recommended hepatitis preventive services (e.g. vaccination, testing and counseling, receipt of test results, and medical and other appropriate services for infected persons);
- ✓ Evaluate the impact of integration of viral hepatitis prevention services on existing prevention services (e.g., STD or HIV counseling and testing);
- ✓ Conduct research to identify, develop, and evaluate specific programmatic interventions and approaches to achieve successful integration of recommended preventive services and increase levels of coverage for these services; and

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- ✓ Produce materials that convey to other public health programs the lessons learned with respect to integration of viral hepatitis prevention activities into existing public health and clinical care programs.

Funds: Total funds available: \$2,900,000
Average grant size: \$400,000
Range of grants: \$300,000 to \$500,000
Number of awards: seven

Deadline: October 7, 2003.

Eligible: Health departments of states or their bona fide agent

Information: Yolanda Sledge, Grants Management Specialist, Procurement and Grants Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 2920 Brandywine Road, Atlanta, GA 30341-4146, Telephone: (770) 488-2787, E- mail: ysis0@cdc.gov , Link: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-17304.htm>

FR: 7/9 40961-40965

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

HIV Prevention Projects

Program: The goals of this program are to assist public health departments to decrease transmission of HIV by:

- ✓ Decreasing the number of persons at high risk for acquiring or transmitting HIV infection by delivering targeted, sustained, and evidence-based HIV prevention interventions, including prevention of perinatal HIV transmission;
- ✓ Increasing, through voluntary counseling and testing, the proportion of HIV-infected people who know they are infected, focusing particularly on populations with high rates of undiagnosed HIV infection by incorporating the new HIV rapid test where applicable, by reconfiguring counseling and testing resources to increase the efficiency of such services, by increasing the number of providers who routinely provide HIV screening in health care settings, and by increasing the number of partners who receive partner counseling, testing, and referral services;
- ✓ Increasing the proportion of HIV-infected people who are linked to appropriate prevention, care, and treatment services; and
- ✓ Strengthening the capacity of health department and community-based organizations to implement effective HIV prevention programs and to evaluate them.

Funds: Total funds available: \$275,000,000
Number of awards: 59

Deadline: October 6, 2003

Eligible: Health departments of states and their bona fide agents that currently receive CDC HIV prevention funds

Information: Carlos Smiley, Grants Management Specialist, Procurement and Grants Office, Center for Disease Control and Prevention, 2920 Brandywine Rd, Atlanta, GA 30341-4146, Telephone: (770) 488-2722, E-mail: address:anx3@cdc.gov, Link: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-17436.htm>

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REFUGEE SERVICES

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Administration for Children and Families Employment Subsidy Program for Refugees With Assimilation Difficulties

Program: Funded projects will be designed to connect long-term unemployed refugees to the labor force and to provide, through subsidized wages, earned income to refugees and their households. The purpose is to assist these refugees in making a transition to unsubsidized permanent employment and to full integration in their communities. Refugees eligible to participate in projects funded under this announcement must be at least 18 years of age and must not be enrolled in school on a full-time basis. Refugee participants also must be unemployed, without earned income, employed part-time, or members of families receiving public assistance. Refugees are eligible to participate in this project if they have resided in the U.S. for a minimum of one year and have been residents of their communities for a minimum of three months. Refugees must demonstrate that they have exhausted other types and sources of employment services and that they are continuing to experience long-term unemployment.

Funds: Total funds available: \$5 million
Range of grants: \$200,000 to \$800,000
Number of awards: 10 to 20

Deadline: August 8, 2003

Eligible: Public and private, nonprofit agencies, faith-based, and community organizations

Information: Jane Sommerville, Division of Community Resettlement, Office of Refugee Resettlement, Administration for Children and Families, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, SW, Eighth Floor West, Washington, DC 20447, Telephone: (202) 401-4861, E-mail: MSommerville@acf.hhs.gov, Link: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-17398.htm>

FR: 7/9 40985-40991

TRANSPORTATION

U.S. Department of Transportation National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Support for Metropolitan/Urban Projects To Increase African American Safety Belt Use

Program: The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration announces a cooperative agreement to provide funding to a national organization servicing the African American community to support demonstration projects in key metropolitan/urban cities designed to increase African American safety belt use. NHTSA anticipates funding one national organization for a period of three years that, if necessary, may

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sub-contract with local or community-based service providers to administer demonstration projects in approximately three to four sites, to be determined jointly by NHTSA and the successful applicant.

- Funds:** Total funds available: \$2 million over three years
Number of awards: one
- Deadline:** August 5, 2003
- Eligible:** National non-profit and for-profit organizations
- Information:** April Jennings, Office of Contracts and Procurement, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 7th Street SW, Room 5301, Washington, DC 20590, Telephone: 202 366-9571, E-mail: ajennings@nhtsa.dot.gov, Link: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-17109.htm>
- FR:** 7/8 40732-40737

FOUNDATION PROFILE

Hasbro Children's Foundation Grants to Programs Serving Children

Program: A philanthropic program of toy and game manufacturer Hasbro, the Hasbro Children's Foundation is committed to improving the emotional, mental, and physical well-being of children from birth through age twelve and their families through the support of innovative direct service programs in the areas of health, education, and social services. In making funding decisions, the foundation is guided by three values:

- Caring – programs that work to ensure that all children have safe and caring environments where they can grow and thrive;
- Opportunity – programs that provide healthcare, education, and social services that give young children the help they need to join their peers in learning and achieving; and
- Joy – opportunities for the most vulnerable children to experience joyful moments as part of their everyday life.

The Hasbro Children's Foundation values creativity and the continuous rethinking of the solutions to the problems that put young children at-risk. Toward that end, the Hasbro Children's Foundation provides three types of direct service funding support:

- Innovative Programs With Local Impact;
- National Replication/Adaptation/Expansion of Innovations;
- Innovative Programs With National Impact.

The foundation places the highest value on ensuring caring and consistent person-to-person services for the most vulnerable children and their families.

- Funds:** Average grant size: \$35,000
- Deadline:** Rolling
- Eligible:** Not-for-profit community organizations
- Information:** Hasbro Children's Foundation, 10 Rockefeller Plaza, 16th Floor, New York, NY 10020, Telephone: (212) 713-7654, Link: www.hasbro.org/hcf/

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