



**U.S. House of Representatives
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Grants Alert October 2007

Department of Health Resources and Service Administration: Announces the availability of funding under the Leadership Training in Nursing program. The purpose of this program is to provide graduate training of nurses for leadership roles in maternal and child health. This is to be accomplished by advancing the knowledge and skills of nursing health professionals and enhancing their effectiveness in community public health programs providing maternal and child health services, in academia and/or clinical settings. Eligibility: As cited in 42 CFR Part 51a 3(b), only public or nonprofit private institutions of higher learning may apply for training grants. Deadline: December 21, 2007. For further information contact: Denis Nikiema, HRSA Division of Grants Management Operations, OFAM, Parklawn Building, Room 11A-16, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, Telephone: 301-443-8007, email: dnikiema@hrsa.gov or visit: www.hrsa.gov.

Department of Health Resources and Service Administration: Announces the availability of funding under the Leadership Training in Social Work. The purpose of this training program is to provide a national focus on leadership in public health social work education through: Graduate training of public health social workers for leadership roles in service, administration, research, education, and advocacy related to programs providing health and related services for mothers, children (infants through adolescents) and families, including those with special health care needs; development and dissemination of curricula, teaching models, and other educational resources to enhance Maternal and Child Health (MCH) content in social work training programs; and continuing education, consultation and technical assistance in public health social work geared to the needs of the MCH community. Eligibility: As cited in 42 CFR Part 51a 3(b), only public or nonprofit private institutions of higher learning may apply for training grants. Deadline: December 14, 2007. For further information contact: Denis Nikiema HRSA Division of Grants Management Operations, OFAM, Parklawn Building, Room 11A-16 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, Telephone: 301-443-8007, email: dnikiema@hrsa.gov or visit: www.hrsa.gov.

Department of Health Resources and Service Administration: Announces the availability of funding under the Minority Faculty Fellowship Program. These grants help increase the number of underrepresented minority individuals who are members of the faculty in a health profession school. The grants enable schools to provide a stipend and a training allowance to the faculty fellow. Grantees must: (1) Identify, recruit and select individuals who are underrepresented racial minorities in the health professions for teaching, administration, or research positions at a health professions institution; (2) Provide such individuals with the skills necessary for tenured faculty positions, which may include training in pedagogy, program administration, design and conduct of research, grant writing, and the preparation of articles suitable for publication in peer-

reviewed journals;(3) Assist individuals in preparation for an academic career by providing services such as counseling; and (4) Provide health services to rural or medically underserved populations. Eligibility: eligible applicants are accredited health professions schools of allopathic and osteopathic medicine, nursing, dentistry, veterinary medicine, optometry, allied health, public health, podiatric medicine, pharmacy, and schools offering graduate programs in behavioral and mental health. Deadline: December 14, 2007. For further information contact: Shannon Anderson, Grants Management Specialist Division of Grants Management Operation, OFAM HRSA, Parklawn Building, Rm. 11A-16, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857 Telephone: (301) 443-7062, email: sanderson@hrsa.gov or visit www.hrsa.gov.

Department of Health Resources and Service Administration: Announces the availability of funding under the Leadership Education in Maternal and Child Health Nutrition. This program provides graduate training for nutritionists to assume leadership roles in improving the nutritional status of women, infants, children, adolescent and families. The training will prepare program participants to become leaders in public health programs, clinical and/or academic settings. Eligibility: As cited in 42 CFR Part 51a.3(b), only public or nonprofit private institutions of higher learning may apply for training grants. Deadline: December 21, 2007. For further information contact: Denis Nikiema, Grants Management Specialist, HRSA Division of Grants Management Operations, OFAM, Parklawn Building, Room 11A-16, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, Telephone: 301-443-8007, email: dnikiema@hrsa.gov or visit www.hrsa.gov.

Department of Education: Announces the availability of funding under the Rehabilitation Training Program. The Rehabilitation Long-Term Training program provides financial assistance for projects that provide basic or advanced training leading to an academic degree in areas of personnel shortages, provide a specified series of courses or program of study leading to award of a certificate in areas of personnel shortages, and provide support for medical residents enrolled in residency training programs in the specialty of physical medicine and rehabilitation. Eligibility: States and public or nonprofit agencies and organizations, including Indian tribes and institutions of higher education. Deadline: October 29, 2007. For further information contact: Marilyn Fountain, U.S. Department of Education, Rehabilitation Services Administration, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Room 5029, PCP, Washington, DC 20202-2800. Telephone: (202) 245- 7346.

Department of Health Resources and Service Administration: Announces the availability of funds under the Advanced Education Nursing Grants. Grants are awarded to institutions for projects that enhance advanced nursing education and practice. For the purpose of this section, advanced education nurses means individuals trained in advanced degree programs. Eligible applicants are collegiate schools of nursing, academic health centers, and other private or public nonprofit entities accredited by a recognized body or bodies or State agency, approved for the purpose of nursing education by the Secretary of Education. Deadline: December 14, 2007. For further information contact: Irene Sandvold, (301) 443-6333, email isandvold@hrsa.gov or visit: <https://grants.hrsa.gov/webExternal/SFO.asp?ID=630251B8-C169-4C2F-B427-AF544B2101B8>

Department of Treasury: Announces the availability of funds under the Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI) Program. The CDFI program provides funds for: (i)

Financial Assistance (FA) awards to CDFIs that have comprehensive business plans for creating demonstrable community development impact through the deployment of credit, capital, and financial services within their respective Target Markets, and (ii) Technical Assistance (TA) grants to CDFIs and entities proposing to become CDFIs in order to build their capacity to better address the community development and capital access needs of their particular target markets, to expand into new investment areas, low-income targeted populations, or other targeted populations, and/or to become certified CDFIs. Eligibility: Applicants must be certified as a Community Development Financial Institution. Deadline: October 31, 2007. For further information contact visit the CDFI at: <http://www.cdfifund.gov/>

Department of Environmental Conservation: Funds are available to obtain independent technical assistance about State Superfund Program and Brownfield Cleanup Program sites that pose a significant threat to public health or the environment. A qualifying group must certify that its membership represents the interest of the community affected by the site, and that its members' health, economic well-being, or enjoyment of the environment is potentially threatened by the site. Portions of technical assistance work may be subcontracted based on unit price bids/quotes for professional services to sub-consultants, subject to the guidance from and approval of the Department. The TAG recipient and its contractors must make good faith efforts to subcontract a portion of the contract amount to minority and women-owned business enterprises (M/WBE). The percentage goals for MBE and WBE participation are 8.8% for equipment, supplies and services in the upstate NYSDEC Regions 3-9. For New York City and Long Island NYSDEC Regions 1 & 2, MBE utilization goal percentages are 18.8% for equipment, supplies and services; for WBE these goal percentages are 20.5% for equipment, supplies and services. The TAG recipient and its contractors must make good faith efforts to employ 10% minority group members and 10% women for a portion of the workforce hours required to perform the work under this contract. Eligibility: Eligible community groups must be non-responsible parties incorporated as not-for-profit corporations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Deadline: Applications are continuously being accepted. For more information: Application and guidance for the TAG grants are downloadable from the Department's website at: <http://www.dec.state.ny.us/website/der/guidance/tag/>

Department of Environmental Conservation: This notice is to advertise the availability of State assistance funding to municipalities for Environmental Restoration Projects to investigate and/or remediate hazardous substances on property held in title by a municipality. A municipality may obtain "temporary incidents of ownership" during a tax foreclosure proceeding for a property in order to conduct such investigations. Portions of investigation and remediation activities may be subcontracted based on unit price bids/quotes for professional services to subconsultants, subject to guidance from and approval of the Department. The recipient and its contractors must make good faith efforts to subcontract a portion of the contract amount to Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprises (M/WBE). The percentage goals for MBE and WBE participation are 8.8% for equipment, supplies and services, and 6% for construction in the Upstate NYSDEC Regions 3-9. For New York City and Long Island NYSDEC Regions 1 & 2, MBE utilization goal percentages are 18.8% for equipment, supplies and services and 21.5% for construction. WBE goal percentages are 20.5% for equipment, supplies and services, and 13.7% for construction for New York City and Long Island. The recipient and its contractors must make good faith efforts to employ 10% minority group members and 10% women for a

portion of the workforce hours required to perform the work under this contract.

Eligibility: A local public authority or public benefit corporation, county, city, town, village, school district, supervisory district, district corporation, improvement district within a county, city, town or village, or Indian nation or tribe recognized by the State and the U.S. within a reservation wholly or partly within NY State boundaries, or any combination thereof. Deadline: Ongoing. For more information: Contact <http://www.dec.ny.gov> or call 18-402-9711.

Department of Environmental Conservation: The Department is issuing a request for proposal (RFP) to develop and implement a Pollution Prevention Institute. The Institute must be established, operated, and maintained in New York State. Options may include a single center, a single center with satellite offices, or a group of multiple entities with specialty services. All centers, offices, facilities, entities and groups must be located in New York State. The Institute will offer an unparalleled center for technology evaluation and development, as well as training and assistance to state businesses and organizations involved in pollution prevention. The Institute will promote cost effective methods of reducing and eliminating the use of toxic substances in the manufacturing process, and make businesses more competitive by enabling them to be more efficient. Incorporating research and development, technology transfer, technology demonstration, education, outreach, and workforce development, the Institute will focus on sustainability and toxic use reduction over the course of the product life cycle. The Institute will foster partnerships between businesses, universities, state and local governments, health and environmental organizations. These partnerships will stimulate the research and development of cutting-edge environmental technologies that will promote sustainable economic development. The Institute shall focus on priorities that optimize environmental benefit and economic development. Eligibility: Public or private university or non-profit institution or a consortium of such organizations. Deadline: December 5, 2007. For more information: Contact Michelle Hinman at 518-402-9168 or by e-mail at mjhinman@gw.dec.state.ny.us.

New York State Department of Education: The purpose of these grants is to improve student academic achievement through the use of technology in elementary and secondary schools, to assist every student in becoming technologically literate by the end of eighth grade, and to encourage the effective integration of technology resources and systems with professional development and curriculum development to promote research/evidence-based instructional methods that can be widely replicated. Eligibility: High-need local educational agency or eligible local partnership. Deadline: November 5, 2007. For more information: Contact Teh-Yuan Wan at NYSEDEETT@mail.nysed.gov.

Department Of Housing and Urban Development: Announces the availability of funds under the HOPE VI program. The purpose of HOPE VI Revitalization grants is to assist public housing authorities: 1. Improve the living environment for public housing residents of severely distressed public housing projects through the demolition, rehabilitation, reconfiguration, or replacement of obsolete public housing projects; 2. Revitalize sites on which such public housing projects are located and contribute to the improvement of the surrounding neighborhood; 3. Provide housing that will avoid or decrease the concentration of very low income families; and 4. Build sustainable communities. Eligibility: All non-troubled public housing authorities (PHAs) with severely distressed public housing are eligible to apply, subject to the requirements under Section III of this NOFA. PHAs that manage only a Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) program,

tribal PHAs, and tribally designated housing entities are not eligible. Deadline: November 7, 2007. For more information: call (800) HUD-8929 or visit: www.hud.gov.

Department Of Housing and Urban Development: Announces the availability of funds under the Brownfields Economic Development Initiative. The purpose of the BEDI program is to enhance the security of a loan guaranteed by HUD under Section 108 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, for the same brownfields economic development project, or to improve the viability of a brownfields economic development project financed with the Section 108-guaranteed loan, in order to stimulate economic development by local governments and private sector parties at brownfield sites and to return those sites to productive, economic use. Eligibility: Any public entity eligible to apply for Section 108 loan guarantee assistance. Deadline: December 24, 2007. For more information: Call (800) HUD-8929 or visit: www.hud.gov.

The Institute of Museum and Library Services: Announces the availability of funds under the Museums for America program. Museums for America is the Institute's largest grant program for museums, supporting projects and ongoing activities that build museums' capacity to serve their communities. Museums for America grants strengthen a museum's ability to serve the public more effectively by supporting high-priority activities that advance the institution's mission and strategic goals. Museums for America grants are designed to be flexible: funds can be used for a wide variety of projects, including: ongoing museum work, research and other behind-the-scenes activities, planning, new programs, purchase of equipment or services, and activities that will support the efforts of museums to upgrade and integrate new technologies. All types of museums, large and small, are eligible for funding. Eligible museums include aquariums, arboretums and botanical gardens, art museums, youth museums, general museums, historic houses and sites, history museums, nature centers, among others. Deadline: November 1, 2007. For further information contact: Steven Shwartzman, Senior Program Officer Phone: 202/653-4641, e-mail: sshwartzman@imls.gov or Sandra Narva, Senior Program Officer Phone: 202/653-4634, e-mail: snarva@imls.gov or visit: <http://www.imls.gov/applicants/grants/forAmerica.shtm>