Applications (RFA)/Program Announcements (PA)" soliciting proposals for individual research projects of \$500,000 or more in total (direct and indirect) costs per year require the applicant to include a plan describing how the final research data will be shared/released or explain why data sharing is not possible. Details on data sharing and release, including information on the timeliness of the data and the name of the project data steward, should be included in a brief paragraph immediately following the Research Plan Section of the PHS 398 form. References to data sharing and release may also be appropriate in other sections of the application (e.g. background and significance, or human subjects requirements). The content of the data sharing and release plan will vary, depending on the data being collected and how the investigator is planning to share the data. The data sharing and release plan will not count towards the application page limit and will not factor into the determining scientific merit or the priority scoring. Investigators should seek guidance from their institutions on issues related to institutional policies, and local IRB rules, as well as local, state and federal laws and regulations, including the Privacy Rule.

Further detail on the requirements for addressing data sharing in applications for NCIPC funding may be obtained by contacting NCIPC program staff or by visiting the NCIPC Internet Web site at: <a href="http://www.cdc.gov/ncipc/osp/sharing\_policy.htm">http://www.cdc.gov/ncipc/osp/sharing\_policy.htm</a>.

#### VI.3. Reporting

You must provide CDC with an original, plus two hard copies of the following reports:

- 1. Interim progress report, (use form PHS 2590, OMB Number 0925–0001, rev. 5/2001 as posted on the CDC Web site) no less than 90 days before the end of the budget period. The progress report will serve as your non-competing continuation application, and must contain the following elements:
- a. Current Budget Period Activities Objectives.
- b. Current Budget Period Financial Progress.
- c. New Budget Period Program Proposed Activity Objectives.
- d. Detailed Line-Item Budget and Justification.
  - e. Measures of Effectiveness.
  - f. Additional Requested Information.
- 2. Financial status report, no more than 90 days after the end of the budget period.

3. Final financial and performance reports, no more than 90 days after the end of the project period.

These reports must be mailed to the Grants Management Specialist listed in the "Agency Contacts" section of this announcement.

#### **VII. Agency Contacts**

We encourage inquiries concerning this announcement.

For general questions, contact:

Technical Information Management Section, CDC Procurement and Grants Office, 2920 Brandywine Road, Atlanta, GA 30341, Telephone: 770–488–2700.

For scientific/research issues, contact: Charlene Baker, PhD, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 4770 Buford Highway, NE, MS K–60, Atlanta, GA 30341, Telephone: 770–488–1737, E-mail: asu6@cdc.gov.

For questions about peer review, contact: Gwendolyn Cattledge, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), 4770 Buford Highway, NE., Mailstop K–02, Telephone: 770–488–1430, E-mail: gxc8@cdc.gov.

For financial, grants management, or budget assistance, contact: James Masone, Grants Management Specialist, CDC Procurement and Grants Office, 2920 Brandywine Road, Atlanta, GA 30341, E-mail: JMasone@cdc.gov.

### VIII. Other Information

This and other CDC funding opportunity announcements can be found on the CDC Web site, Internet address: http://www.cdc.gov. Click on "Funding" then "Grants and Cooperative Agreements."

Dated: December 23, 2004.

### William P. Nichols,

Acting Director, Procurement and Grants Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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# DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

# Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

## Advisory Council for the Elimination of Tuberculosis Meeting

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the following council meeting. *Name:* Advisory Council for the Elimination of Tuberculosis (ACET).

Times and Dates: 8:30 a.m.–5 p.m., February 16, 2005; 8:30 a.m.–12 p.m., February 17, 2005.

Place: Corporate Square, Building 8, 1st Floor Conference Room, Atlanta, Georgia 30333. Telephone (404) 639–8008.

Status: Open to the public, limited only by the space available. The meeting room accommodates approximately 100 people.

Purpose: This council advises and makes recommendations to the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services; the Assistant Secretary for Health; and the Director, CDC, regarding the elimination of tuberculosis (TB). Specifically, the Council makes recommendations regarding policies, strategies, objectives, and priorities; addresses the development and application of new technologies; and reviews the extent to which progress has been made toward eliminating TB.

Matters to be Discussed: Agenda items include issues pertaining to Global TB epidemiology and public health response, nucleic acid amplification testing (NAAT), and other TB related topics.

Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

Contact Person for More Information: Paulette Ford-Knights, National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road, NE., M/S E–07, Atlanta, Georgia 30333, telephone (404) 639–8008.

The Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, has been delegated the authority to sign **Federal Register** notices pertaining to announcements of meetings and other committee management activities for both CDC and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

Dated: December 20, 2004.

### B. Kathy Skipper,

Acting Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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# DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

# Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

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### CLIA Program; Continued Approval of the American Association of Blood Banks for Deeming Authority

**AGENCY:** Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the reapproval of the American Association of Blood Banks (AABB) as an accrediting organization for clinical laboratories under the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of 1988 (CLIA) program. The initial exemption