

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

[Program Announcement 02213]

The National Black Caucus of State Legislators (NBCSL); Notice of Award of Funds

A. Purpose

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the award of fiscal year (FY) 2002 funds for a cooperative agreement program with The National Black Caucus of State Legislators.

The purpose of this cooperative agreement is to:

1. Educate African-American State Legislators, legislative staff, State government employees, and other stakeholders on HIV/AIDS, syphilis and other STD.
2. Provide access to accurate, comprehensive and timely information on HIV/AIDS, syphilis and other STD to African-American State legislators, legislative staff, State government employees, and other stakeholders.

This program addresses the "Healthy People 2010" focus areas of HIV, STD and Educational and Community-Based Programs.

B. Eligible Applicant

Assistance is provided only to the NBCSL. No other applications were solicited.

NBCSL is the only nonpartisan organization serving as a national network, and clearinghouse for African-American State legislators from all 50 States. NBCSL is the only organization of African-American State legislators that provides policy research tailored to meet the needs of their constituents, publications, consulting services, and educational and networking forums for African-American State legislators, committees, and their staff using a variety of information technologies and resources. No other organization has this unique role, credibility, and established rapport with African-American State legislators and their staff.

C. Funds

Approximately \$150,000 is being awarded in FY 2002. The award will begin on or about September 30, 2002 and will be made for a 12-month budget period within a project period of up to three years.

D. Where To Obtain Additional Information

Business management technical assistance may be obtained from: Ann Cole, Grants Management Specialist, Grants Management Branch, Procurement and Grants Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 2920 Brandywine Road, Room 3000, Atlanta, GA 30341-4146, Telephone number: 770-488-2731, E-mail address: zlr5@cdc.gov.

For program technical assistance, contact: Dave Brownell, National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 2920 Brandywine Road, Room 3000, Atlanta, GA 30341-4146, Telephone number: 404-639-5208, E-mail address: dfb2@cdc.gov.

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[Program Announcement 02228]

Men Involved in STD Training Empowerment Research Study (MISTERS): A Community-Based STD/HIV Intervention for Men Newly Released From Jail; Notice of Award of Funds

A. Purpose

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the award of fiscal year (FY) 2002 funds for a grant program, "MISTERS, Men Involved in STD Training Empowerment Research Study" to be performed by STAND, Inc. Persons entering correctional facilities have been shown to have a high prevalence of Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STDs). This is of profound public health importance in the United States. Approximately 5% of the population can be expected to serve a sentence in federal or state prison. Many crimes are in some way associated with drug use, which is, in turn, associated with high-risk sexual behavior. Correctional facilities are not consistent in the use of STD screening among inmates, often relying on inmate self-reporting of symptoms. Even in cases where arrestees are routinely screened, they are often released within 48 hours, too soon for screening results to be

available. Since there is a proven association between drug use and high risk sexual behaviors, and a strong likelihood that detainees will be released either without being screened for STDS or too soon for the screening results to be available, there is a significant public health need for post-release services that include a STD prevention intervention that includes early STD screening, treatment and risk-reducing behaviors. The MISTERS project will test the feasibility of such an intervention using a community-based organization, STAND, Inc. STAND is already working with men who have histories of substance use and incarceration.

B. Eligible Applicant

Assistance is provided only to STAND, Inc. STAND's application contained an important and unique scientific proposal that was not submitted in response to any existing program announcement, but does fall under the broad embrace of the Government's public health initiative Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Prevention. The CDC Division of Sexually Transmitted Disease Prevention (DSTD) performed a thorough review of STAND's proposal and determined that it would significantly advance the state of medical knowledge and provide a unique contribution to the understanding of the effectiveness of post-incarceration behavioral intervention in the reduction of high-risk sexual behavior.

C. Funds

Approximately \$500,000 is being awarded in FY 2002. The award will begin on or about September 30, 2002, and will be made for a 12-month budget period within a project period of one year.

D. Where To Obtain Additional Information

For business management technical assistance, contact: William J. Ryan, Jr., CPCM, Grants Management Officer, Procurement and Grants Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 2920 Brandywine Road, Room 3000, Atlanta, GA 30341-4146. Telephone number: 770-488-2717. E-mail address: wfr4@cdc.gov.

For program technical assistance, contact: Samantha Williams, Ph.D., Division of STD Prevention, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, NCHSTP/DSTD, 10 Corporate Square Blvd, Atlanta, GA 30329. Telephone number 404-639-8620. E-mail address SWilliams@cdc.gov.

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Conceptual Discussions for Full Facepiece Air-Purifying Respirators (APR) Standards and Air-Purifying Escape Respirator Standards Development Efforts for Respiratory Protection Against Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear (CBRN) Agents

The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the following meeting.

Name: Conceptual Discussions for full facepiece Air-Purifying Respirators (APR) Standards and Air-Purifying Escape Respirator Standards Development Efforts for Respiratory Protection Against Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear (CBRN) Agents.

Times and Dates: 1 p.m.-5 p.m., October 16, 2002.

8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., October 17, 2002.

Place: Hilton Garden Inn, 1000 Corporate Drive, Canonsburg, Pennsylvania.

Status: This meeting is hosted by NIOSH. The meeting will be open to the public, limited only by the space available. Interested parties should make hotel reservations directly with the Hilton, referencing the National Personal Protective Technology Laboratory Booking. Interested parties should confirm their attendance by either emailing their intention to attend to respcert@cdc.gov, or by contacting NIOSH at (412) 386-4000.

Requests to make presentations at the public meeting should be mailed to the NIOSH Docket Officer, Robert A. Taft Laboratories, M/S C34, 4676 Columbia Parkway, Cincinnati, Ohio 45226, telephone (513) 533-8303, fax (513) 533-8285, or e-mailed to NIOCINDOCKET@CDC.GOV. All requests to present should contain the name, address, telephone number, and relevant business affiliations of the presenter, a brief summary of the presentation, and the approximate time requested for the presentation. Oral presentations should be limited to 15 minutes. After reviewing the requests for presentations, NIOSH will notify each presenter of the approximate time that their presentation is scheduled to begin. If a participant is not present when their presentation is scheduled to begin, the remaining participants will be heard in order. At the conclusion of the meeting, an attempt will be made to allow presentations by any

scheduled participants who missed their assigned times. Attendees who wish to speak but did not submit a request for the opportunity to make a presentation may be given this opportunity at the conclusion of the meeting, at the discretion of the presiding officer.

Comments on the topics presented in this notice and at the meeting should be mailed to the NIOSH Docket Office, Robert A. Taft Laboratories, M/S C34, 4676 Columbia Parkway, Cincinnati, Ohio 45226, telephone 513-533-8303, fax 513/533-8285. Comments may also be submitted by e-mail to: NIOCINDOCKET@CDC.GOV. e-mail attachments should be formatted as WordPerfect 6/7/8/9, or Microsoft Word. Comments should be submitted to NIOSH no later than November 15, 2002, and should reference docket number, NIOSH-002, in the subject heading.

Purpose: The purpose of the meeting is to continue conceptual discussions for full face piece APR CBRN standards and review research efforts to identify stimulant materials for use as CBRN test surrogates for respirator research and development efforts; and to initiate discussion of concepts being considered for CBRN air-purifying escape respirator standards. NIOSH, along with the U.S. Army Soldier and Biological Chemical Command (SBCCOM) and the National Institute for Standards and Technology (NIST), will present information to attendees concerning the concept development of the APR CBRN standards, as well as concepts being considered for the air-purifying escape respirator CBRN standards. Participants will be given an opportunity to ask questions and to present individual comments for consideration. Interested participants may obtain the latest copies of the APR CBRN and air-purifying escape respirator CBRN concept papers, as well as earlier versions of the concept papers used during the standards development effort, from the NIOSH contact identified below, or from the NIOSH National Personal Protective Technology Laboratory Web site, address: <http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/npptl>. The September 16, 2002, APR CBRN concept paper will be used as the basis for discussion at the public meeting, as well as forming the basis for the new APR CBRN statement of standards.

Recent acts of terrorism have created an urgent awareness of domestic security and preparedness issues. Municipal, states, and federal responder groups, particularly those in locations considered potential targets, have been developing and modifying response and consequence management plans. Since the World Trade Center and anthrax incidents, most emergency response agencies have operated with a heightened appreciation of the potential scope and sustained resources requirements for coping with such events. The Federal Interagency Board for Equipment Standardization and Interoperability (IAB) has worked to identify personal protective equipment that is already available on the market for responders' use. The IAB has identified the development of standards or guidelines for respiratory protection equipment as a top priority. NIOSH, NIST, the National Fire Protection Association and the Occupational Safety and

Health Administration have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding defining each agency or organization's role in developing, establishing, and enforcing standards or guidelines for responders' respiratory protective devices. NIST has initiated Interagency Agreements with NIOSH and SBCCOM to aid in the development of appropriate protection standards or guidelines. NIOSH has the lead in developing standards or guidelines to test, evaluate and approve respirators.

NIOSH, SBCCOM, and NIST have hosted public meetings on June 18 and 19, 2002, and April 17 and 18, 2001, presenting their progress in assessing respiratory protection needs of responders to CBRN incidents. The methods or models for developing hazard and exposure estimates, and the status in evaluating test methods and performance standards that may be applicable as future CBRN respirator standards or guidelines were discussed at these meetings. On December 28, 2001, NIOSH announced standards for the evaluation and approval of self-contained breathing apparatus to protect emergency responders against CBRN agents. NIOSH, SBCCOM, and NIST are in the process of developing CBRN respiratory protection standards and guidelines for full facepiece APR and air-purifying escape respirators, as well as other classes of respirators. The October 16 and 17, 2002, public meeting will continue conceptual discussions for the CBRN APR, as well as introduce concepts being considered for the CBRN air-purifying escape respirators.

Contact Persons for Additional Information: Mr. Jonathan Szalajda, NIOSH, PO Box 18070, 626 Cochran's Mill Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15236, telephone (412) 386-6627, fax (412) 386-6747 and/or e-mail: respcert@cdc.gov.

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 the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

Dated: September 23, 2002.

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Smoking and Health Interagency Committee; Correction

ACTION: Notice; correction.

The Interagency Committee on Smoking and Health scheduled meeting for September 30, 2002, has been rescheduled for November 6, 2002.