

moving from pediatric care to adult, family practice, and specialty care.

Grants/Amounts: About \$3.5 million will be available to support up to 20 projects. Approximately 7 of these are expected to be competing renewals of existing projects, and approximately 13 will be new. An average of about \$175,000 per award per year is anticipated. Project periods are up to 3 years.

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4.1.2. Maternal and Child Health Improvement Projects

Maternal and Child Health Improvement Projects (MCHIP) are divided into 4 subcategories: Maternal, Infant, Child, and Adolescent Health; School Health Program; Data Utilization and Enhancement; and Healthy Tomorrows Partnerships for Children;

4.1.2.1. Maternal, Infant, Child, and Adolescent Health.

Application Deadline: April 25, 1995.

Purpose: To improve the health of all mothers, infants, children, and adolescents.

Priorities: Applicants in this MCHIP category are invited to submit proposals in the following program areas:

- Content And Organization Of Care For Women Of Child Bearing Age, Infants, Children, Adolescents And Their Families. Grants will be provided for projects which assist in developing mechanisms to define appropriate personal health care services, creating or enhancing collaborative systems to deliver such services, and identifying measures to determine the quality of the content and mechanism of services delivered.
- Adolescent Health Resource Development. Grants will be awarded for the purpose of continuing the capacity-building of State health agencies/maternal and child health programs to meet the diverse health needs of adolescents in a period of health care reform and the myriad of changes in States and communities. Adolescent Health Resource Center grants are intended to advance the knowledge and skills of State MCH staff and local providers of adolescent health services through training and technical assistance, information development and dissemination, and promotion of integrated systems development that impact on adolescent access to prevention and health services.

Grants/Amounts: A total of 10-12 grants, totalling \$1 million will be

awarded in this category in FY 1995.

For grants dealing with the content and organization of care, funding for 2 grants is anticipated in the range of \$150,000 per year for periods of up to 5 years. For adolescent health resource development, approximately 4-6 grants of \$150,000-\$200,000 each per year will be supported for up to 5 years.

Contact: For programmatic or technical information, contact David Heppel, M.D., telephone: 301 443-2250.

4.1.2.2. School Health Program

Application Deadline: May 10, 1995.

Purpose: To strengthen the capacity of school-based and school-linked health programs to address psychosocial issues and mental health problems by enhancing primary mental health resources and services for school-age children and youth, including those with special health care needs. Primary mental health resources and services include primary prevention, such as prevention of violent and health damaging behaviors; early problem identification and intervention, including indicated referral and followup; and collaboration with ongoing care for chronic conditions.

Priorities: Grants will be awarded in the following two areas:

- Development of infrastructure and resources to build capacity for primary mental health services in school-based and school-linked health programs. Applicants are expected to represent State-level partnerships among health, mental health and education agencies that are designed to assure accessibility to primary mental health services for school-age children and youth. Project emphasis is on coordinating school-based and school-linked programs with multiple community resources in the public health, mental health, substance abuse prevention and treatment, social service and other relevant systems to facilitate comprehensive approaches.
- Development of "state of the art" instructional materials and resources to strengthen the mental health service capacity of primary care providers for school-age children and youth. The emphasis is on enhancing primary mental health resources and services in school-based and school-linked health programs; in addition, such staff development materials and resources will be available to community-based centers that furnish primary health care to those in the school-age population who cannot be accessed through the schools.

Grants/Amounts: A total of \$1.5 million dollars will be available for

projects in this subcategory; about \$750,000 for up to 5 State primary mental health partnership grants for 3 to 5 years, and about \$750,000 for up to 3 mental health resource grants for up to 5 years.

Contact: For programmatic information, contact Linda Johnston, telephone 301 443-4026.

4.1.2.3. Data Utilization and Enhancement

Application Deadline: June 15, 1995.

Purpose: To enable Federal, State, and local MCH/CSHCN agencies, in collaboration with State primary care planning, to develop data and data systems required under Title V and analyze data to facilitate needs assessment, planning, monitoring or evaluation of maternal and child agencies and comprehensive health services.

Priorities: Proposals in this MCHIP subcategory are invited in the following program areas:

- Enhancement of data collection and analysis capabilities of national, state and local health agencies.
- Compilation and analysis of new data, and development and application of analytic techniques regarding the health status of and delivery of comprehensive health care to mothers and children.
- Networking, coordination, and integration of existing and proposed resources and data and analysis systems developed in other states, national organizations or organizations.
- Increasing national, state and local entities' capacity to respond to and implement changes in the organization of health care resources.

Grants/Amounts: An estimated \$500,000 will be available for 5 grants in this subcategory at \$100,000 per award per year. Project periods are up to 3 years.

Contact: For programmatic or technical information, contact Russ Scarato, telephone: 301 443-2340.

4.1.2.4. Healthy Tomorrows Partnerships for Children.

Application Deadline: April 14, 1995.

Purpose: To support projects for children that improve access to health services and utilize preventive strategies. The initiative encourages additional support from the private sector and from foundations to form community-based partnerships to coordinate health resources for pregnant women, infants and children.

Priorities: Proposals in this MCHIP category are invited in the following program areas: