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CENTRAL PHOENIX REGIONAL PARTNERSHIP COUNCIL

PHYSICIAN TRAINING

REQUEST FOR GRANT APPLICATION

FTF-RC013-10-0258-00

FACT SHEET

WHAT IS THE FIRST THINGS FIRST CENTRAL PHOENIX REGIONAL PARTNERSHIP COUNCIL PHYSICIAN TRAINING GRANT PROGRAM?

The Central Phoenix Regional Partnership Council had identified the need to provide information and training regarding early childhood development and health to resident physicians and physicians practicing in hospital settings.

According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, a plethora of neurobiological, behavioral, and social science research has significantly advanced our appreciation and understanding of the importance of early life experiences on early brain development and human behavior. The potential to improve developmental outcomes in children through planned interventions is now well established. Because many children under five years of age participate in well-child care, the healthcare setting is an ideal place for assuring optimal development of children. However, the practice of developmental screening and promotion of optimal development in primary pediatric care and family practice varies tremendously and is less than optimal in most places.

According to the American Academy of Pediatrics, resident physicians often are trained to address acute and emergency care situations. Typically, little is done to expose them to primary and preventive care, such as they will encounter routinely during their care of young children.

This strategy is aimed at implementing, expanding, or enhancing existing, evidence-based programs aimed at training resident physicians and physicians practicing in a hospital setting in the Central Phoenix Region so that developmental delays can be identified earlier and the healthy development of young children ages birth through five can be supported. Statewide, First Things First has identified a strategy toward supporting physician training and improving practices in practice-base settings and community health centers. This regional strategy is aimed at complementing, not duplicating, statewide efforts.

WHAT IS THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF FUNDING AVAILABLE?

The total available funding for the period from May 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011 (14 months) is approximately \$221,065. Requested funding must be proposed for two contract periods including a two (2) month contract from May 1 through June 30, 2010 and a twelve (12) month contract from July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011. The estimate of funding that is available for the 2-month contract period is approximately \$50,000 with the amount estimated for the 12-month portion beginning on July 1, 2010 being approximately \$171,065.

PROPOSED TIMELINE FOR THE GRANT MAKING PROCESS

February 3, 2010	RFGA available on-line
February 16, 2010	Pre-application Conference 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. First Things First, 8 th Floor Board Room 4000 N. Central Ave., Suite 800, Phoenix, AZ 85012
March 17, 2010	Applications due to the location listed in the RFGA by 1:00 p.m.
May 1, 2010	Anticipated grant awards made

HOW TO GET A COPY OF THE RFGA

Please visit the First Things First web site on or after February 3, 2010: <http://www.azftf.gov/>

QUESTIONS?

All questions must be submitted in writing and include **RFGA # FTF-RC013-10-0258-00** in the subject line of the email or on the cover sheet of the fax.

Questions should be submitted to the Grants and Contracts Procurement Specialist via email at grants@azftf.gov or via fax at (602) 265-0009.