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HEALTH (Tribal)

For federal fiscal year (FFY) 2025, the Council has designated a total amount of \$300,000 to fund Cycle 47 projects in one or more of the following proposed topic areas: Health (Tribal), Self-Advocacy (Plain Language), and Self-Advocacy (Isolation). The Council understands that the final list of approved grant projects may not address all three (3) of the targeted topic areas. The Council will consider all proposal submissions and choose one (1) or more grant-funded projects (that combined) will not exceed the full \$300,000 budgeted amount.

Below, please find the Council's brief description for the Health (Tribal) option.

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT GRANT (PDG) CYCLE 47 REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)

DUE: May 10, 2024

The State Council on Developmental Disabilities (SCDD) is invested in ensuring that all Californians with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities (I/DD) and their families have an opportunity to receive quality, accessible health-related information, training, services, and/or resources. SCDD recognizes that Tribal communities have historically been underserved, including those people with intellectual, developmental (PwI/DD) and/or other disabilities and their families.

SCDD is seeking a grantee to actively engage with Tribal health organizations and other collaborative partners in California to provide plain language materials, outreach, and training opportunities to connect Native Americans with critical information about developmental milestones, disabilities, early diagnosis/intervention, and health-related supports and services.

SCDD is interested in funding a project that will:

- 1. Identify and foster key partnerships with Tribal, public and private entities to partner in providing culturally sensitive outreach to Native American individuals and families with I/DD and/or other disabilities
- 2. Develop and/or use existing, fully accessible and culturally sensitive, plain language, I/DD-related training curricula, information, and outreach materials and resources about health-related topics, as they relate specifically to people and families with I/DD
- 3. Develop and provide culturally sensitive outreach, partnering opportunities and training to Tribal health entities and personnel about 2 or more of the following, as they relate to people and families with I/DD: 1) maternal health; 2) developmental milestones; 3) intellectual, developmental, and other disabilities; 4) the importance of early identification, intervention, and service access; 5) healthy aging; 6) fully accessible, plain language resources; and, 7) entitlement and generic services available to individuals and families with intellectual/developmental and other disabilities
- 4. Provide technical assistance, as requested by professionals, PwI/DD and other disabilities and their families about accessing health-related information, resources, services, and/or training
- **5.** Identify mechanisms by which the Council and its collaborative partners may provide culturally competent, health-related outreach, information, training, resources and technical assistance/support to PwI/DD and other disabilities, their families, regional centers and other disability-related agencies, current and potential providers, and others throughout the state.
- **6.** Develop and provide a comprehensive report detailing the methods, resources, findings and specific recommendations associated with the development, implementation, outcomes, deliverables, and actual impact(s), including anecdotes and success stories, for this project. This will include identifying effective mechanisms by which the Council and its collaborative partners may continue to provide culturally competent, plain language information, training, resources, and technical assistance around improving health-related resources, access, and outcomes for Indigenous PwI/DD and other disabilities and their families.

The project will serve as a replicable and/or scalable model by developing and identifying innovative, promising and/or best practices in reaching, serving and educating Native American Pwl/DD and other disabilities, their families, and those Tribal and health-related entities providing services in culturally appropriate, accessible ways.

The project grantee will:

- ✓ Have demonstrated experience and cultural competence in collaborating with Tribal members, governing Councils, and health entities
- √ Have demonstrated experience and cultural competence in developing and providing quality, accessible health-related information, training, services, and/or resources
- ✓ Research and consider building on previous grant projects, deliverables and/or partnerships in development of this project
- √ Have demonstrated experience collaborating with and providing training for healthrelated professionals/entities
- ✓ Demonstrate a broad understanding of disabilities and the needs of families and individuals with I/DD and other disabilities
- ✓ Demonstrate a broad understanding of principles associated with reaching culturally, economically, ethnically, geographically, linguistically, and other diverse, underserved populations

Collaboration with and acceptance within diverse communities of Indigenous People are both critical components of this effort. Priority will be given to projects that are: 1) supported by a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with a Tribal Health Agency; and, 2) led or co-led by individuals from Native/Tribal communities, people with I/DD and lived experiences, and those that are focused on culturally, ethnically, geographically, economically and linguistically diverse, underserved populations (e.g. low-income, bilingual or non-English-speaking, inner city and/or deeply rural populations, those who are unhoused or in licensed/foster care settings,) and in reservation, urban and/or rural settings throughout the state.

For more information and to download all forms for Cycle 47, please visit our website https://scdd.ca.gov/grantinformation/

Please email all grant-related questions to grantscontracts@scdd.ca.gov

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