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Coordinator:

Thank you for standing by. At this time all participants are in a listen only mode. During the question and answer session please press star 1 on your touch tone phone.

Today's conference is being recorded, if you have any objections you may disconnect at this time. I'll now turn the meeting over to Sue Moskosky, thank you, you may begin.

Sue Moskosky:

Hi, and I'd like to welcome everyone to the family planning services Grant Technical Assistance conference call that's being held this afternoon and welcome all of you that are planning to become applicants or considering become applicants for the titles and family planning services opportunities.

We're going to be talking today about providing some general technical assistance to you. We won't be answering any specific individual specific questions that are in reference to any of your individual grant applications.

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But we will be providing you with some general information, hopefully all of

you have printed the PowerPoint presentation and also have a copy of the

application kit in front of you.

The people that will be speaking this afternoon are myself, the Director of the

Office of Family Planning is my title, and Karen Campbell who is the Director

of the Office of Grants Management for the entire Office of Public Health and

Science within the Department of Health and Human Services.

What you'll be needing to have in front of you are the overview of - or what

we're going to be talking about today actually is the overview of the Office of

Population Affairs and Office of Family Planning which administers the Title

10 family planning program.

The 2009 funding analysis for family planning services including application

and award information, application required forms and other information, the

application narrative, the application budget, a little bit about application

submissions, application review and the funding process.

And then we'll close with a summary and some tips on completing your

application. In terms of materials that you need for the call today, first of all

the program announcement for 2009, family planning services which can be

found in either grant solutions or grants.gov.

And hopefully you have those website addresses in front of you, if you need

to plug into those or have it printed out and in front of you. Also we'll be - we

would hope that you would have printed and in front of you some of the

application tip materials including the OPHS-1 grant application version 3, the

guidelines for Title 10 grant application preparation from July of 2008.

The program guidelines for project grants for family planning services from

January 2001 and I apologize, on the PowerPoint it says July 2009 but that's

actually just July 2008 grant application guidance.

But it does apply to the '09 services announcement, so that's probably why it

ended up having that date on it. In terms of a little overview of the Office of

Population Affairs and the Office of Family Planning, if you look at the first

slide that has pictures of the current Secretary of Health and Human Services

who is Michael Leavitt.

And the Office of Population Affairs is within an office called the Office of

Public Health and Science that actually is administered under the Office of the

Assistant Secretary for Health who is Dr. Joxel Garcia.

If you look at the next slide it shows you a little bit of the organizational

structure. As I mentioned the Office of Public Health and Science is one of the

agencies within the US Department of Health and Human Services and you

can see that the Office of Population Affairs is one of a number of offices

within the Office of Public Health and Science.

Although it really is as all of those offices that are listed, the Office of the

Surgeon General, the Office of Minority Health, Women's Health, Office of

HIV/AIDS policy, all of those various offices that are listed there, the family

planning program is really the only office within those that this service

provision, the clinical services provision program.

So while it looks like a number of offices actually the Office of Population

Affairs I think our budget probably is the biggest of most of these that are in

here.

Within the Office of Population Affairs, the Office of Family Planning has

programmatic responsibility for all of the Title 10 program we're also in

Knoxville, the policy office for all OSP programs.

We have oversight of projects that have national scope such as national

training centers and the actual management of the service program is a

decentralized process and we have programs, activities that are conducted

through our ten regional offices that are across the country and we'll talk a

little bit about those a little bit later on.

The Office of Grants Management is actually the Office of Grants

Management for all of the OPHS agencies that you saw listed on the previous

slide. They have administrative business and budgetary responsibilities for all

of the OPHS programs.

They are responsible for grant administration, grant policy directives, the

grants policy statement and federal rules that are applicable to all grants and in

addition to Title 10 family planning program requirements all of our grantees

that are funded are required to be - to adhere to all grants management,

directives, the branch policy statement and all of the federal rules that apply to

grants in addition to the Title 10 requirements.

The Office of Grants Management is responsible for the pre-award process,

the notice of grant award, all of the post award processes such as budget

revisions, financial status reports, audit resolution and grant closeout.

And the Office of Grants Management is where the official records for any of

our grantees once they are funded reside. So they are the official point of

contact for all grants activities.

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The next slide is - it's a bare bones organizational structure of the Office of

Population Affairs. The Office of Population Affairs is generally headed by a

political appointee known as a deputy assistant secretary for population

affairs.

Currently we don't have a political appointee and Evelyn Kappeler who is a

career staff person within the Office of Population Affairs has functioned as

the acting director for OPA for the last several months.

And then you can see that there are three offices within the Office of

Population Affairs, the Office of Family Planning, which I direct, the Office

of Research and Evaluation which is headed by Dr. Pat Thompson and the

Office of Adolescent Pregnancy Programs which has an acting director whose

name is Alicia Richmond Scott.

And then we have two regional program offices and if you look at the next

slide you can see that it - the program or the country is divided into ten public

health service regions.

The regional offices for those regions are all located in major cities and each

of these particular regions or regional offices actually oversees a group of

states and territories and they provide oversight for the Title 10 service

grantees and regional training center grantees within those regions.

All of the regional offices are staffed by project officers, some of whom have

titles like regional program consultant or nurse consultant or project officer or

public health advisor.

And those folks who are actually Office of Family Planning staff monitor

grant activity, conduct site visits, conduct program reviews and provide

programmatic support and technical assistance to our grantees.

In terms of the Title 10 family planning program there's several different

sections of the Title 10 statute. And the Title 10 and public health service act

authorizes our grants programs, all of which are discretionary or competitive

grants.

And these are the various sections, section 1001 is the biggest section of Title

10 and it's the section which actually governs how services are to be provided.

Section 1002 which has never been utilized is the section formula grants for

family planning services.

Section 1003 gives us authority to conduct training, section 1004 is our

research authority, 1005 is our authority for information and education, 1006

is regulations and payment, 1007 is a statute talks about the program being

voluntary and participation in the program being voluntary.

And section 1008 prohibits abortion activities in programs that receive Title

10 funds. So in terms of the services program there are more than 4500 clinics

throughout the system that receive Title 10 funding.

And approximately 5 million people are served through our clinics every year.

Our training authority, actually currently we're funding 13 different types of

training grantees. We have a general training center, one that's in each of the

regions.

We have a national clinical training center, a (Mayo) family planning training

center and a national training center. In terms of the Title 10 research

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activities, we fund a variety of research activities that are all for the purpose of

improving the delivery of services under the Title 10 program.

We also with our research funding help to support the national survey of

family growth. We collect a number of different types of data through the

family planning annual report.

And that's our research authority through the section 1005 which is the

information and education section we fund a Title 10 clearing house that

offers publications free of charge.

And also the Title 10 clearing house or OPA clearing house keeps a current

list of our clinics and grantees and allows us to do mailings to them

periodically.

In terms of the Title 10 program the mission of the program is to provide

individuals with information and means to exercise personal choice in

determining the number and spacing of their children.

So it's not just to help prevent unintended pregnancies but also to help people

who want to achieve intended pregnancies to be able to do that.

So the purpose of the Title 10 program is to make certain that people who

want and need family planning services can receive those services and priority

is given to individuals from low income families.

About 91% of the clients that receive services in Title 10 clinics are at or

below 200% of the federal poverty level.

Also one of the other purposes of the Title 10 program is to provide

individuals with educational, medical and social services that they need to

plan their families and another purpose is to include related preventive health

services such as pap tests, breast exams, HIV and STD tests and other services

that are related to reproductive health and family planning.

In terms of the service grants requirements, Title 10 funded family planning

services must be voluntary. Services must be provided confidentially. They

must be provided to any person whether male or female desiring services with

priority for person from low income families.

And when we say that they have to be provided to any person that means

under the same requirements in that they have to be provided to males as well

as females based on a sliding fee schedule and provided to them regardless of

their ability to pay.

All first services under the Title 10 program are to be provided under the

direction of physician with training or experience in family planning.

A lot of the direct services in terms of who actually provides the direct

services may be nurse practitioners, certified nurse midwives, physician

assistants, but there has to be a medical director that actually supervisors

provision of care within the Title 10 programs.

In terms of the scope of Title 10 service requirements, our grantees are

required to provide a broad range of acceptable and effective family planning

methods. That means - has meant for the last several years that effective and

acceptable means that they have to be FDA approved methods of

contraception.

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Another Title 10 requirement is for physical exam and related preventive

health services, pregnancy diagnosis and counseling, adolescent services,

clinical procedures as indicated for the method of contraception that the client

has chosen as well as lab tests that are indicated for the method chosen.

Level one infertility services which are basically the services that would

initiate a workup to determine if the person might be infertile are required as

the provided - or provided as a required service.

And also STD and HIV prevention education must be provided and then

testing must be provided either on sight or by referral.

In terms of the current Title 10 service grantee profile, we currently have 88

service grantees across the country. We have at least one grantee in every state

and territory across the country, slightly more than half of our grantees are

state or local or county health departments.

And then a number of other types of agencies, university based grantees, faith

based, community based, not for profit are all the types of grantees that we

fund including some planned parenthood.

Currently as I mentioned before we have slightly more than 4500 clinics that

receive funds through those 88 service grantees, and there's at least one Title

10 funded clinic in all US counties and as mentioned before, about 5 million

individuals are served annually with family planning and related preventive

health care services.

We're now going to talk a little bit about the family planning funding

announcement, and starting with the application and award information as

well as application form narrative and budget.

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So hopefully all of you have in front of you the 2009 family planning funding

announcement.

This lists the availability of funds for family planning service grants. It

stipulates that applicants must be able to also comprehensive service program

that provide all of the Title 10 required services according to the statute

regulations and guidelines.

And family planning services include clinical family planning and related

preventive health services, information, education counseling related to family

planning and referral as indicated.

Also within the 2009 funding opportunity are OPA program priorities for

fiscal year 2009 as well as legislative mandates and key issues, all of which

need to be addressed within the application.

The next slide just shows where to find the application related information

which is in both grants.gov and grantsolutions.gov and you don't have to have

a password to get in initially to be able to get the application materials.

If you're not already in the system you can get those just by going on those

websites. In terms of application and award information, eligible applications

include any public or non-profit private entity that is located in a US state or

territory.

And if it's your first time with applying for funding you must provide proof of

non-profit status if you're a private non-profit entity. Also faith based and

community based organizations including American Indian, Alaska Native

and Native American organizations are all eligible applicants.

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And the applicant must demonstrate the capacity to carry out the requirements

of the project as illustrated in the application that they are completing.

In terms of the 2009 Title 10 program announcement, it provides information

and guidance related to Title 10 applications and please follow the program

announcement carefully.

The information that's provided in the program announcement takes

precedence over any other conflicting information in other grant related

documents.

For instance if there was some place within the application, the guidelines for

Title 10 grant application preparation that would conflict with the 2009 family

planning services announcement, this 2009 family planning services

announcement requirements take precedence.

I don't think that there are any conflicts, but if there were the announcement

takes precedence.

In the Title 10 program announcement for 2009 there's a table, I think it's the

only table that's in the actual announcement, it's labeled as Table 1, and it

includes a listing of the service areas that are competitive in '09 as well as the

approximate funds that are available and application due date for that

particular service area.

The application due dates and grant funding dates vary by service area but

they are clearly indicated in Table 1 and there may be multiple awards for the

service areas that are listed in Table 1.

So for instance it might list an entire state as a service area that's competitive

but that doesn't necessarily mean that only one grant will be awarded for that

state.

The approximate award amount listed includes indirect costs and the total

awards will not exceed those that are listed in Table 1. So if you send in an

application that far exceeds the amount that's listed in table one as being

available, your application may be viewed as being non-responsive.

In terms of grant application preparation, the OPHS-1 version 3.0 has standard

application forms and instructions such as the base pay, the budget forms, the

certifications and assurances that must be submitted.

Please be complete, don't leave any blanks on the forms unless the

information is not applicable. If it's not applicable please indicate that it's not

applicable but please don't skip any of the blanks.

Also the individual that is signing the OPHS application forms must have the

legal authority to act on behalf of the organization. In terms of guidelines for

Title 10 grant application preparation which is the document that's listed as

Guidelines for Title 10 Grant Application Preparation, July of 2008.

This particular document provides a detailed description of all the application

requirements including the application style and sequence, the application

submission mechanism, the required forms and where to find them,

application content including narrative and budget requirements, the required

exhibits and also information on appendices

Please pay close attention to these guidelines and the program announcement

when you're preparing your application. In terms of other information that is

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important for you to pay attention to, refer to grantsolutions.gov for additional

required forms such as Title 10 assurances and the HHS 690 application

checklists and notification forms.

Also federal grants management requirements related to all federal grants, the

Title 10 statute regulations and guidelines, program instructions and other

related family planning background information, the Title 10 program

reporting requirements and the regional office contact information.

And all of these documents are important for informing the development of

your successful Title 10 application and they can all be found up in grant

solutions.

In terms of the general application content, your application must clearly

describe the administrative management and clinical capability of your - of

the applicant to deliver the required services.

And the proposed project must include all of the required clinical services and

you can refer to the regulations in the Title 10 guidelines in determining what

that means.

Also characteristics of a successful application are included in the

announcement such as evidence of systems for services provisions, a quality

assurance system, monitoring of delegate agencies, reporting of abuse,

personnel administration and fiscal management.

In terms of application content, you're going to need to provide the required

forms, table of contents, a project narrative which is limited to 65 pages and

includes a needs assessment, the applicant and project information which

includes organizational management, clinical service systems, community

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education and outreach, quality assurance, financial management, a family

planning service delivery plan that includes the work plan and an evaluation

plan.

And then finally your budget information which will include a detailed budget

and budget justification. The project narrative is the part that's limited to 65

pages, that does not include the table of contents and the budget information.

In terms of application required forms and other information, if you are a new

applicant meaning you haven't received funds through us before, you need to

submit a Dunn's number, a one page HHS project abstract that will be used as

an application summary, the SF424 application for federal assistance, the

SF424A budget information.

All of these do have to be included with any application for new funding, so a

competing application needs to include all of these. The OPHS check list, the

disclosure of lobbying activities, the HHS 690 assurance of compliance, the

Title 10 assurance of compliance, the grant application checklist for

competing family planning service grants, the notification of project

management forms, evidence of non-profit status if applicable, this would be

if you were a brand new applicant, and an indirect cost rate agreement if you

are claiming indirect costs.

In terms of the application narrative, the suggested sequence and format for

the narrative and budget sections of the application are provided in the

guidelines for Title 10 grant application preparation.

As I mentioned already a couple of times the application narrative is limited to

65 double spaced pages using 12 point font. Again this does not include the

required forms, the budget, the budget justification, the assurances,

certifications and the abstract.

If the application exceeds 65 pages, only the first 65 pages will be read, and

please limit the appendices that are included with the application to only those

which are absolutely necessary.

If an application is supposed to be 65 pages and a reviewer receives an

application of 300 pages, I can tell you that it does not encourage objective

reviewers to look very favorably on having to review a lot of extraneous

information.

So please be very vigilant in just limiting the appendices to what's absolutely

required. Also do not include brochures or bound materials in your application

because all of the materials that's in there has to be reproduced multiple times.

And if things are bound, a lot of times those pieces are just discarded because

we can't reproduce them equally.

In terms of the project narrative, along with the budget, this is the heart of

your application. It provides information related to the need for your project.

It describes your organizational capacity and it provides specific information

related to how the applicant will develop and implement the required services.

And it also details the scope of your services or your Title 10 project.

It includes goals and objectives that are smart, or specific, measurable,

achievable, realistic and time framed, and it establishes a specific work plan

and evaluation plan.

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In terms of the project narratives, just provide details and this is very, very

important. On the scope of your services or project and activities that are

described in your application if approved for funding becomes the agreement

between the federal government and a successful applicant.

So this is what we refer to as your Title 10 project so whatever you have

described as being within is what we will hold you to in terms of what you're

expected to carry out once you're funded.

So this is referred to as the scope of the project or the scope of services. And

you need to refer to the Title 10 statutes, the regulations, the program

guidelines, the legislative mandates, program priorities and other key issues

for a full description of what is required for the project scope.

If your application is funded any significant changes to the scope of the

project or significant change in the activities or use of funds requires prior

approval of the Office of Grants Management and also the Office of Family

Planning program office.

I'm going to turn it over to Karen to talk about specifically grants

management and budget requirements.

Karen Campbell: The project budget information is the 424A budget page which includes a

detailed budget and budget justification. It must be consistent with

requirements of the project guidelines for the Title 10 family planning

services.

Budgeted costs must be derived by the proposed activity. Excuse me, the 424

budget information has the form directions as written in the OPHS-1, identify

all sources of project funds.

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That would be either state, local, it can be third party in kind. Indicate the

approved indirect cost rate with the division of cost allocation, you must

submit the forms with that as written by the division of cost allocation.

And project costs for future years, this program allows up to a five year

project series so you must do it for all project years or out years.

Detailed budget and budget justification provides the details of the budget, the

breakdown for each line item, provide adequate justification, etcetera, or for

an example the cost per unit.

Detail personnel by salary, FTE charge and fringe benefit information, line by

line breakdown for federal and non-federal sources.

The application budget, the OMB circular defines cost principle for federal

grants and describes how to manage financial aspects of the award, allowable

costs, personnel supplies, equipment, etcetera, restrictions on the use of funds

such as lobbying, construction renovation and fund raising.

Please refer to OMB circular for cost principles when preparing budgets at the

following address, OMB circular A21 is for institutions of higher education,

A87 is state and local government, A122 non-profit and 45CFR 74 appendix

E is for hospitals.

The OPHS Office of Grants Management is responsible for the oversight of

all financial and business related to the grant. Sorry for that, that got kind of

small.

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The Title 10 budget and cost sharing, Title 10 cannot make up to 100%,

excuse me, of the project's estimated costs. Projects - do you want to weigh in

on that?

Oh I thought you put your hand up. Projects must include resources from

other sources such as Medicaid, patient fees, etcetera.

Applications must clearly identify the amount and sources of funding

contributed to the project on the 424A and budget justifications.

Contribution of other fundings has historically been interpreted as a minimum

of 10%. Program income is expected and is generated from third party payers

and patient fees, may be counted as part of the cost sharing requirement, must

be reinvested to further the objectives of the project.

Title 10 service grants applications submission, the submission mechanism we

have two, one is grants.gov - or two electronic, one is grants.gov website

portal and grantsolutions.gov, grants management systems.

If you have a previous business relationship with OPHS you can file your

application through grantsolutions.gov. If you do not have a previous

relationship with OPHS, you must file through grants.gov.

The application must be submitted by 11 pm eastern time on the due date. All

hard copy original signatures and mail in items must be received by OGM no

later than 5 pm eastern time on the next business day after the due date.

When submitting your hard copy information, please do not resubmit the

application, only the applicable materials for the application. We will not

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compare nor will we review the paper application once an application is

submitted electronically.

Hard copy submission, OPHS Office of Grants Management, we do have the

address in the RFA and that is to our contractor, must be submitted no later

than 5 pm eastern time on the due date and must submit the original and two

hard copies.

Additional submission information, applications submitted after the deadline

will not be accepted. Applications not conforming to the requirements will not

be reviewed and be deemed ineligible.

Applications will not be considered valid until all electronic components, hard

copy original signatures and mail in items are received by OGM according to

the due dates.

Applicants are encouraged to initiate electronic applications early in the

development process to address any problems with submission prior to the

deadline, and I will put a little footnote there that if the transmission does not

take by the deadline, we are not responsible unless it is at the error of the

government.

If it is a transmission error, that is not the responsibility of the federal

government, so please submit your electronic applications early.

Application submitted under this announcement are subject to the

requirements of the intergovernmental review of federal programs and

applicants should discuss the project with a single point of contact or (SPOC)

as appropriate.

Our list is in your application kit on what states must or do not have to submit

to (SPOC). The application review, applications are reviewed according to the

criteria listed in the program announcement.

By the OGM staff or administrative and business compliance and by the

regional office, program staff for programmatic compliance, eligible

applications will be reviewed and scored by a panel of independent reviewers

with technical expertise in the applicable fields.

Objective review committee process is formal and confidential, OGM and

regional staff is available for questions to ensure the process. The funding

decisions, input from the objective review committee and from the federal

reviewers as well as the likelihood of achieving the benefits expected are

considered when making the funding decisions.

Final grant award decisions are made by the regional health administration or

administrator in consultation with OPA, Office of Family Planning. The

length of the project period awarded can be from one to five years and is

generally three to five years.

Non competing continuing applications are submitted in the interim years that

include progress reports, work plans, budgets and budget justifications.

Budget periods are for one year only. The funding process, the Office of

Grants Management and regional program partnership, the OGM is the

official contact for the grantee.

All official communicate related to the grant is between the Office of Grants

Management and the successful application. Applicants who are unsuccessful

will be notified by the regional program office.

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Grantees communicate regularly with the program office, program project

officer who oversees the programmatic aspects of the grant. OGM maintains

the official grant file.

The regional program office maintains working files for each grant and

forwards records to OGMs for the official grant file. The Office of Grants

Management and the regional partnership, regional program partnership,

excuse me.

The final project budget, excuse me, the final project budget will be

negotiated at the selection. The total amount will not change but the allocation

to various activities may be modified.

Flexibility in schedule and resource planning is expected and will enable the

successful applicant to respond to emerging needs, lessons learned and annual

Title 10 priorities.

All activities and budget will be approved by the OFP, regional office prior to

their implementation. The notice of grant award notifies successful applicant

of the selection, award amount, project and budget period.

Includes any conditions on the awards, e.g. requirements that must be met as a

condition of receiving grant funds, includes standard terms, reporting

requirements and contact information for OGM and regional program office.

Excuse me, OGM grants management post award process and concerns as

determined by the US Department of Health and Human Services. We are the

official signatory for obligating federal grant funds, official signatory for all

grant businesses.

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Manages prior approval requests, monitors the business and financial

transactions for compliance with federal grant requirements including

interpretation of federal regulations.

The post award process and concerns, the budget development, allowable

expenditures, items and budget revisions, budget forecasting indirect cost

issues, approval of change of scope, notice of grant award issuance, financial

reporting requirements such as the financial status report, audit resolution,

carry over requests and offsets and closeouts.

And I'm going to turn it back to Sue Moskosky for the summary ending.

Sue Moskosky:

Okay. So we're just going to go ahead and review some of the high points that

we hit in going through what the requirements are. As was mentioned before

the program announcement is your primary guide to the Office of Population

Affairs, Office of Family Planning program requirements.

It's your primary guide to information related to the Title 10 statute,

regulation and guidelines, the grants management requirements and the OMB

cost circular, please follow the information that's provided in the program

announcement.

Analyze what is requested and respond appropriately. Also I would urge you

all to make sure that if you're going to be submitting a hard copy application

or even if you're submitting something in e-grants, please proof your

applications.

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We do get applications that are missing pieces or that exceed page

requirements so please take seriously all of the information that we've

provided today.

The application kit has useful information that will assist in the development

of a complete application, in particular pay attention to the OPHS-1 grant

application for the required forms and the instructions for completing those

forms.

The guidelines for Title 10 grant application, July 2008 which includes

application content and sequence.

In terms of completing your application, be clear, complete and concise in the

description of your project. Follow and address exactly what is requested in

the program announcement and the guidelines for Title 10 grant application

preparation.

Don't make the reviewers search for the required information, headings are

helpful, generally the easier it is for you - for - the easier you make it for an

application to be reviewed the better the score that you'll receive on that

application.

So please be really clear, identify the sections of the application and indicate

which of the components is being addressed. The project narrative must

include all of the required information within the 65 pages, do not use

appendices to expand the page limit.

As I mentioned those appendices may or may not be even reviewed, they are

only for supplemental information, not for information that is basic to

understanding your project.

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The use of a systematic approach to planning implementing, monitoring and

evaluations such as a logic model is encouraged. Make your goals and

objectives in the work plan smart, as I mentioned that means specific,

measurable, achievable, realistic and time framed.

There's actually some examples in the application guidance that may be

helpful for you in terms of framing your objectives or developing your

objectives.

The activities that you're presenting in your work plan should clearly relate to

the goals and objectives and the program work plan evaluation plan and

budget should all of those taken together should provide a complete picture of

how the applicant will address the service area needs as well as address the

purpose and expectations in terms of announcement.

The staffing that is being proposed for your project should be appropriate and

reasonable for the goals and objectives and activities that you're proposing for

the project, and be complete in describing what staff will do and what the

expertise is that's required and the percentage of time that they'll be assigned

to the project.

Position descriptions and biographical sketches for key staff can be presented

in then appendices. The budget should include adequate funds to carry out the

proposed work plan, evaluation plan and I'm going to say responsibilities of

the project.

And the budget should be reasonable and relate clearly and directly to the

goals and objectives, it should all taken together make sense. Do not request

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more funds than are available as listed in the program announcement in Table

1.

And as I mentioned before this amount is inclusive of indirect costs and to

claim indirect costs you do need to have a negotiated indirect cost rate.

The operating budget should be complete and includes federal and non-federal

funds, program income from projected fees and third party payers and other

funds that you are going to be contributing as grantees.

Electronic submission of your application is encouraged and remember to

send in the original hard copy signature forms by the due date that's listed in

the program announcements when you're submitting electronically.

And as Karen mentioned please don't wait until the last minute if you're

going to begin an electronic submission because sometimes problems can

arise. If you're confused please ask questions, the program announcement has

contact information for both the Office of Grants Management and the

regional program offices.

And for information that's related to programmatic requirements contact the

appropriate regional office for information that's related to budget or the

administrative requirements contact the Office of Grants Management.

But if you contact the wrong place we'll make sure that we get you in touch

with - if it's a grant question call programs they'll refer you into grants office

so don't be afraid.

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Just please ask questions. They're not going to put together your application

for you but they will help you if you do have specific questions in terms of

forms or how to complete your application.

So I believe that that concludes our formal presentation, I'm going to turn it

back over to (Angel).

Coordinator: Thank you. If you would like to ask a question please press star 1, one

moment please for the first question.

Again if you would like to ask a question please press star 1. I do show we

have a question from (Stephanie Long), your line is open. Please check your

mute button (Stephanie).

(Pam Graham): This is (Pam Graham) in Nevada. Is there then when you were talking earlier

on about I think a 10% contribution of in kind, is that like a maintenance of

effort, is it 10% of the entire award?

Sue Moskosky: If you go back to that slide as was mentioned, the requirement under Title 10

is that the Title 10 grant can't be 100% of the cost. And so there has to be

some participation by the grantee in terms of generating some funds either

through patient fees or through third party reimbursements.

It's not a strict 10% but it's been interpreted as a minimum of a 10%. But it's

not really in kind it's actually - it could be, but it's generally a financial

contribution of 10% or greater.

(Pam Graham): Okay, thank you.

Sue Moskosky: I hope that helps.

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Coordinator: Again if you would like to ask a question please press star 1. And I'm not

showing any other questions at this time.

Sue Moskosky: Okay, thank you.

Coordinator: Okay, I do show a question did just come in. (Alice) (unintelligible) your line

is open.

(Alice): Yes, I have a question. In terms of the grant funding, are we to provide

programmatic services that can only be reflected in terms of increases to client

service numbers?

Or how - that would be reflected in (S-PAR) or how can we utilize these

funds?

Sue Moskosky: If you look at the actual funding announcement, it basically talks about what

is required. You do have to project the number of clients that would be served

within your family planning services project that you're proposing.

But these are for - this is assuming grants - these are assuming applications for

people that may be current grantees but they also maybe people that have

never applied for Title 10 funds before so it doesn't necessarily imply an

increase in clients that are being seen because these are new Title 10 services

grants for these particular areas.

So I'm not exactly sure about your question.

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(Alice): Well if you are currently a Title 10 provider and you have an established (S-

PAR) and you wanted to go for these dollars, would you then have to reflect

an increase in your client numbers?

Sue Moskosky: No, not necessarily. I mean you project within the grant application what

you're proposing to do and you need to propose how many clients would be

served in the services that would provided.

But part of the assessment of the application would include whether that looks

like a reasonable number of people that you're planning to serve within the

funds that are being requested and the services that are being provided.

So these aren't expansion funds, these are actually you know basic Title 10

service grant funds.

(Alice): Okay, I appreciate it, thank you.

Sue Moskosky: You're welcome.

Coordinator: Again if you would like to ask a question please press star 1. And I do show

another question from (Karen Jackson), your line is open.

(Karen Jackson): Thank you, when do you anticipate putting out the RSAs for special initiatives

and (mail) projects?

Sue Moskosky: Generally guidance for special initiatives or projects unless they are ones that

are going to be managed out of central office, generally a lot of those are

actually produced out of your regional offices.

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If you're funded as a grantee within a region already, you may want to be in

contact with your regional office. Currently just so that folks know we are the

federal budget - the budget year starts on October 1. We're currently under a

continuing resolution so we're operating based on the funding levels that the

program received in FY08.

So probably special initiative funds or any supplemental funds are not going

to be made available until after we have an approved federal budget, but I

would just urge you if you're a funded grantee already to be in contact with

your regional office.

And generally they're pretty good about communicating that information I

think within the region.

Coordinator:

Okay, and our next question then comes from (Norman Quindaniel), thank

you, your line is open.

(Norman Quindaniel): Yes, you may have provided an answer already but when I was pushing

star 1 I was out of the loop on the previous question. In the grant notice it says

a particular amount to be applied for and it's recommended not to apply for

above that amount.

We have requested about the expanded funds and you may have already just

answered this question, I'm sorry Sue if you did. The expanded funds are

included in that base amount that is in the notice?

Sue Moskosky:

Yes they are.

(Norman Quindaniel): Thank you.

Sue Moskosky: You're welcome.

Coordinator: An additional question again from the line marked (Stephanie Long), your line

is open.

Woman: Thank you, my question was answered with the previous caller.

Coordinator: Again if you would like to ask a question please press star 1. And there is no

questions coming through.

Sue Moskosky: Okay. Thank you very much (Angel) and thank you everybody for

participating on the call today and be sure that you let us know or let your

project, or program or grants person listed in the announcement know if you

have further questions.

Thank you very much.

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