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**New York State
Department of Health
Center for Environmental Health
Division of Environmental Health Protection
Bureau of Environmental Radiation Protection**

Request for Applications

COUNTY GOVERNMENTS IN HIGH RISK RADON COUNTIES
State Indoor Radon Grants Program

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I. Introduction

The New York State Department of Health (Department), Bureau of Environmental Radiation Protection (BERP), receives funding from the US Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), through the State Indoor Radon Grants (SIRG) Program. Through this Request for Applications (RFA), BERP is seeking to contract with county governments that meet the eligibility and program requirements described below.

The Department expects to disburse approximately \$500,000 in federal funds over the next 5-years. The actual award to each applicant will be based on the proposal merit. The award will be for the full 5-year time period of the contract. Annual awards will not be made. All applicants will be required to provide matching funds equal to the amount of funds being granted. As an example, if a county were granted \$20,000 for the 5-year contract period, a match of at least \$20,000 would be required. This would include the value of personnel or other services provided by the county in the fulfillment of the 5-year contract. Other federal funds may not be used as matching funds.

The BERP will provide successful applicants with material support in the form of radon publications and technical assistance. This includes statistical summaries of the Department's database of radon measurements, which can be broken down by county and/or towns within any county. In addition, the Department has a contract with a radon-testing laboratory to provide low cost radon detectors. A county government agency may purchase detectors through our contract at \$8.50 per detector or through an entity certified by the Environmental Laboratory Approval Program (ELAP) for radon in air measurements. A listing of the certified laboratories can be obtained by calling 518-485-5570. If the county government agency plans to purchase detectors from an ELAP approved entity, all results would need to be reported by the agency to the BERP for incorporation into our database. In either case, the budget should reflect the expenditure. If detectors are purchased through our contract, they will be shipped directly from the contract laboratory to the county agency for distribution to the homeowner. The homeowner will conduct the testing and return the detectors to the contract laboratory with a prepaid return label. In this case, the counties do not need to report the results to BERP since the contract laboratory periodically reports all results to BERP.

II. Who May Apply

County governments in high-risk radon counties are eligible. For the purpose of this RFA, a high-risk radon county is defined as any county that either has a geometric mean basement screening radon concentration greater than or equal to 2.0 picocuries per liter (pCi/l) or an average basement screening radon concentration of greater than or equal to 4.0 pCi/l as determined by the Department of Health's basement screening database for homes. Based on these criteria, the following counties are eligible to apply for this funding: Albany, Allegany, Broome, Cattaraugus, Cayuga, Chautauqua, Chemung, Chenango, Columbia, Cortland, Delaware, Dutchess, Erie, Genesee, Greene, Herkimer, Jefferson, Lewis, Livingston, Madison,

Montgomery, Oneida, Onondaga, Ontario, Orange, Otsego, Putnam, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Schenectady, Schoharie, Schuyler, Steuben, Sullivan, Tioga, Tompkins, Ulster, Washington, Wayne, Wyoming and Yates.

Eligible agencies need to demonstrate that staff are available to provide technical assistance regarding radon.

III. Project Narrative/ Work Plan Outcomes

The applicant needs to be able to conduct a performance based radon outreach and education program that will reduce the public health risk from indoor radon. The program must focus on achieving results in one or more of the following program areas:

- 1) Increase public awareness and understanding of the health benefits of reducing radon exposure;
- 2) Encourage the testing of homes and/or schools for elevated levels of radon;
- 3) Increase and track the number of homes and/or schools mitigated for elevated levels of radon;
- 4) Increase and track the number of homes and/or schools built with radon resistant construction techniques;
- 5) Increase and track radon testing during residential real estate transactions; and/or
- 6) Increase and track awareness, testing and/or mitigation in low-income and/or culturally diverse populations.

For the purposes of this RFA, day care facilities may be considered schools. Successful applicants will be expected to complete work as outlined in their workplan within the contract period and submit reports of expenditures and work completed in a timely manner, as defined in Section IV.G.

IV. Administrative Requirements

A. Issuing Agency

This RFA is issued by the NYS Department of Health, Division of Environmental Health Investigation, Bureau of Environmental Radiation Protection. The Department is responsible for the requirements specified herein and for the evaluation of all applications.

B. Question and Answer Phase:

All substantive questions must be submitted in writing to:

Cynthia A. Costello
New York State Department of Health
Bureau of Environmental Radiation Protection
Flanigan Square, 547 River Street, Room 530
Troy, NY 12180-2216
Email: RADON@health.state.ny.us
Fax: 518-402-7554

To the degree possible, each inquiry should cite the RFA section and paragraph to which it refers. Written questions will be accepted until the date posted on the cover of this RFA.

Questions of a technical nature can be addressed in writing or via telephone by calling Cynthia A. Costello at 518-402-7556. **Questions are of a technical nature if they are limited to how to prepare your application (e.g., formatting) rather than relating to the substance of the application.**

Prospective applicants should note that all clarification and exceptions, including those relating to the terms and conditions of the contract, are to be raised prior to the submission of an application.

This RFA has been posted on the Department of Health's public website at: <http://www.nyhealth.gov/funding/>. Questions and answers, as well as any updates and/or modifications, will also be posted on the Department of Health's website. All such updates will be posted by the date identified on the cover sheet of this RFA.

If prospective applicants would like to receive notification when updates/modifications are posted (including responses to written questions), please complete and submit a letter of interest (see attachment 2). Prospective applicants may also use the letter of interest to request actual (hard copy) documents containing updated information.

Submission of a letter of interest is not a requirement for submitting an application.

C. Applicant Conference

- 1. An Applicant Conference will not be held for this project.**

D. How to file an application

Applications must be **received** at the following address by the date and time posted on the cover sheet of this RFA. Late applications will not be accepted*.

Cynthia A. Costello

**New York State Department of Health
Bureau of Environmental Radiation Protection
Flanigan Square, 547 River Street, Room 530
Troy, NY 12180-2216**

Applicants shall submit 1 original, signed application and 3 copies. Application packages should be clearly labeled with the name and number of the RFA as listed on the cover of this RFA document. Applications WILL NOT be accepted via fax or e-mail.

* It is the applicant's responsibility to see that applications are delivered to the address above prior to the date and time specified. Late applications due to a documentable delay by the carrier may be considered at the Department of Health's discretion.

E. THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH RESERVES THE RIGHT TO

1. Reject any or all applications received in response to this RFA.
2. Withdraw the RFA at any time, at the Department's sole discretion.
3. Make an award under the RFA in whole or in part.
2. Disqualify any applicant whose conduct and/or proposal fails to conform to the requirements of the RFA.
3. Seek clarifications and revisions of applications.
4. Use application information obtained through site visits, management interviews and the State's investigation of an applicant's qualifications, experience, ability or financial standing, and any material or information submitted by the applicant in response to the agency's request for clarifying information in the course of evaluation and/or selection under the RFA.
5. Prior to application opening, amend the RFA specifications to correct errors or oversights, or to supply additional information, as it becomes available.
6. Prior to application opening, direct applicants to submit proposal modifications addressing subsequent RFA amendments.
7. Change any of the scheduled dates.
8. Waive any requirements that are not material.
9. Award more than one contract resulting from this RFA.
10. Conduct contract negotiations with the next responsible applicant, should the Department be

unsuccessful in negotiating with the selected applicant.

11. Utilize any and all ideas submitted with the applications received.
12. Unless otherwise specified in the RFA, every offer is firm and not revocable for a period of 60 days from the bid opening.
13. Waive or modify minor irregularities in applications received after prior notification to the applicant.
14. Require clarification at any time during the procurement process and/or require correction of arithmetic or other apparent errors for the purpose of assuring a full and complete understanding of an offerer's application and/or to determine an offerer's compliance with the requirements of the RFA.
15. Negotiate with successful applicants within the scope of the RFA in the best interests of the State.
16. Eliminate any mandatory, non-material specifications that cannot be complied with by all applicants.
17. Award grants based on geographic or regional considerations to serve the best interests of the state.

F. Term of Contract

Any contract resulting from this RFA will be effective only upon approval by the New York State Office of the Comptroller.

It is expected that contracts resulting from this RFA will have the following time period: July 1, 2010, through June 30, 2015. It is expected that a new RFA will be issued prior to the end of the contract period. Funds requested shall be for the **entire** 5-year contract period.

G. Payment & Reporting Requirements of Grant Awardees

1. The State (NYS Department of Health) may, at its discretion, make an advance payment to not-for-profit grant contractors in an amount not to exceed 25 percent.
2. The grant contractor will be required to submit QUARTERLY invoices and required reports of expenditures to the State's designated payment office:

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New York State Department of Health
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Grant contractors shall provide complete and accurate billing vouchers to the Department's designated payment office in order to receive payment. Billing vouchers submitted to the Department must contain all information and supporting documentation required by the Contract, the Department and the State Comptroller. Payment for vouchers submitted by the CONTRACTOR shall only be rendered electronically unless payment by paper check is expressly authorized by the Commissioner, in the Commissioner's sole discretion, due to extenuating circumstances. Such electronic payment shall be made in accordance with ordinary State procedures and practices. The CONTRACTOR shall comply with the State Comptroller's procedures to authorize electronic payments. Authorization forms are available at the State Comptroller's website at www.osc.state.ny.us/epay/index.htm, by email at epunit@osc.state.ny.us or by telephone at 518-474-4032. CONTRACTOR acknowledges that it will not receive payment on any vouchers submitted under this contract if it does not comply with the State Comptroller's electronic payment procedures, except where the Commissioner has expressly authorized payment by paper check as set forth above.

Payment of such invoices by the State (NYS Department of Health) shall be made in accordance with Article XI-A of the New York State Finance Law.

3. The grant contractor will be required to submit the following periodic reports: Quarterly progress reports of all work performed under the grant along with a breakdown of expenses, including expenses incurred against matching funds, and a final report.

I) Progress Report Outline

A) Project Update (<4 pages)

- A brief description of the project
- Clearly state what sections of the project have been completed to date; including identifying areas of the project that have been delayed
- Comparison of actual accomplishments with the specific goals and objectives stated for the time period in the approved agreement and reasons why the objectives were not met, if applicable
- Other pertinent information, including, if applicable, analysis and explanation of any cost overruns or rebudgeting needs
- Clearly state the next steps to be accomplished in the next 3 months
- A copy of any physical deliverables (e.g., training documents, conference agendas, tapes) required under the agreement should be enclosed with the first report following the date the deliverable was due to be produced. Deliverables that will be publicly disseminated should include the following statement: *“Although the information in this document has been funded wholly or in part by the United States Environmental Protection Agency under assistance agreements to (recipient), it*

may not necessarily reflect the views of the Agency and no official endorsement should be inferred.”

B) Quarterly Financial Report (Note that vouchers for reimbursement can not be processed without appropriate documentation)

- Detailed list of expenses incurred during the reporting period (including copies of any bills or invoices)
- Detailed description of matching funds provided during the reporting periodically
- Properly completed Standard Voucher

Dates of Submission

09/30/10	03/31/11	03/31/12	03/31/13	03/31/14	03/31/15
12/31/10	06/30/11	06/30/12	06/30/13	06/30/14	06/30/15
	09/30/11	03/30/12	09/30/13	09/30/14	
	12/31/11	12/31/12	12/31/13	12/31/14	

II) Final Report Outline

A) The final report should follow the format of the quarterly reports and cover the entire period of the grant: July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2015.

B) Submission Date

Final Project Report due to DOH by July 31, 2015

Final Financial Report due to DOH by July 31, 2015

All payment and reporting requirements will be detailed in Appendix C of the final grant contract.

H. Vendor Responsibility Questionnaire

New York State Procurement Law requires that State agencies award contracts only to responsible vendors. Vendors are invited to file the required Vendor Responsibility Questionnaire online via the New York State VendRep System or may choose to complete and submit a paper questionnaire. To enroll in and use the New York State VendRep System, see the VendRep System Instructions available at www.osc.state.ny.us/vendrep or go directly to the VendRep system online at <https://portal.osc.state.ny.us>. For direct VendRep System user assistance, the OSC Help Desk may be reached at 866-370-4672 or 518-408-4672 or by email at helpdesk@osc.state.ny.us. Vendors opting to file a paper questionnaire can obtain the appropriate questionnaire from the VendRep website www.osc.state.ny.us/vendrep or may contact the Department of Health or the Office of the State Comptroller for a copy of the paper form. Applicants should also complete and submit the Vendor Responsibility Attestation (Attachment 3).

I. General Specifications

1. By signing the "Application Form" each applicant attests to its express authority to sign on behalf of the applicant.
2. Contractor will possess, at no cost to the State, all qualifications, licenses and permits to engage in the required business as may be required within the jurisdiction where the work specified is to be performed. Workers to be employed in the performance of this contract will possess the qualifications, training, licenses and permits as may be required within such jurisdiction.
3. Submission of an application indicates the applicant's acceptance of all conditions and terms contained in this RFA, including the terms and conditions of the contract. Any exceptions allowed by the Department during the Question and Answer Phase (Section IV.B.) must be clearly noted in a cover letter attached to the application.
4. An applicant may be disqualified from receiving awards if such applicant or any subsidiary, affiliate, partner, officer, agent or principal thereof, or anyone in its employ, has previously failed to perform satisfactorily in connection with public bidding or contracts.
5. Provisions Upon Default
 - a. The services to be performed by the Applicant shall be at all times subject to the direction and control of the Department as to all matters arising in connection with or relating to the contract resulting from this RFA.
 - b. In the event that the Applicant, through any cause, fails to perform any of the terms, covenants or promises of any contract resulting from this RFA, the Department acting for and on behalf of the State, shall thereupon have the right to terminate the contract by giving notice in writing of the fact and date of such termination to the Applicant.
 - c. If, in the judgement of the Department of Health, the Applicant acts in such a way which is likely to or does impair or prejudice the interests of the State, the Department acting on behalf of the State, shall thereupon have the right to terminate any contract resulting from this RFA by giving notice in writing of the fact and date of such termination to the Contractor. In such case the Contractor shall receive equitable compensation for such services as shall, in the judgement of the State Comptroller, have been satisfactorily performed by the Contractor up to the date of the termination of this agreement, which such compensation shall not exceed the total cost incurred for the work which the Contractor was engaged in at the time of such termination, subject to audit by the State Comptroller.

J. Appendices

The following will be incorporated as appendices into any contract(s) resulting from this Request for Application.

APPENDIX A -	Standard Clauses for All New York State Contracts
APPENDIX A-1	Agency Specific Clauses
APPENDIX A-2	Program Specific Clauses
APPENDIX B -	Budget
APPENDIX C -	Payment and Reporting Schedule
APPENDIX D -	Workplan
APPENDIX G -	Notices

APPENDIX H - Federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) Business Associate Agreement

APPENDIX E - Unless the CONTRACTOR is a political sub-division of New York State, the CONTRACTOR shall provide proof, completed by the CONTRACTOR's insurance carrier and/or the Workers' Compensation Board, of coverage for:

Workers' Compensation, for which one of the following is incorporated into this contract as **Appendix E-1**:

- **CE-200** - Certificate of Attestation For New York Entities With No Employees And Certain Out Of State Entities, That New York State Workers' Compensation And/Or Disability Benefits Insurance Coverage is Not Required; OR
- **C-105.2** -- Certificate of Workers' Compensation Insurance. PLEASE NOTE: The State Insurance Fund provides its own version of this form, the **U-26.3**; OR
- **SI-12** -- Certificate of Workers' Compensation Self- Insurance, OR **GSI-105.2** -- Certificate of Participation in Workers' Compensation Group Self-Insurance

Disability Benefits coverage, for which one of the following is incorporated into this contract as **Appendix E-2**:

- **CE-200** - Certificate of Attestation For New York Entities With No Employees And Certain Out Of State Entities, That New York State Workers' Compensation And/Or Disability Benefits Insurance Coverage is Not Required; OR
 - **DB-120.1** -- Certificate of Disability Benefits Insurance OR
 - **DB-155** -- Certificate of Disability Benefits Self-Insurance

NOTE: Do not include the Workers' Compensation and Disability Benefits forms with your application. These documents will be requested as a part of the contracting process should you receive an award.

V. Completing the Application

A. Application Content

- 1) Applications should include a cover letter including:
 - (a) Title of the project
 - (b) Department within the county
 - (c) Address and telephone number, fax number and e-mail address, if available
 - (d) Project Director name, title, and phone number
 - (e) Signatures of the Project Director and individual authorized to enter into an agreement (e.g., Fiscal Officer, Director of Administration, County Executive)
- 2) Applications must describe a work plan dealing with one or more of the priority areas listed in Section III of this document. Work plans need to address the following elements:
 - (a) Overview of Project - describe the basic structure of the proposed project.
 - (b) Proposed Project Goals - include a summary of your specific goals, objectives, expected outcomes and deliverables. Outcomes should be described specifically and, to the extent possible, quantitatively. Possible project outcomes range from information dissemination to improved health status. Activities with outcomes that result in tangible health benefits or directly lead to reduced health risk will be ranked higher than those that simply aim to distribute information.
 - (c) Discuss how the budget relates to the objectives, outcomes and deliverables in the workplan and how county matching funds will be used to support/complement State funds in achieving overall goals. Include specific milestones.
 - (d) Target Population - describe the target population, community and any distinct characteristics of the areas targeted for this work. Projects that target low-income or culturally diverse populations will be ranked higher.
 - (e) Methods and Materials - describe the strategies and materials you will use.
 - (f) Monitoring and Evaluation - for the goals, objectives, and expected outcomes defined above, describe how you will measure project success. Describe mechanisms for tracking program outputs and evaluating program outcomes.
 - (g) Staff - describe staffing needed to implement the proposed work plan, including number of staff and their qualifications. Attention should be paid to the qualifications and experience of key personnel, including any experience implementing evaluation and tracking procedures. Please send curriculum vitae for all staff implementing the program.

(h) Timeline - indicate project length, activity milestones, quarterly report submission and final report submission dates.

3) Applicants should submit a 5-year budget, assuming a July 1, 2010 start date. All costs must be related to the provision of County Governments in High Risk Radon Counties, State Indoor Radon Grant, as well as be consistent with the scope of services, reasonable and cost effective. Justification for each cost should be submitted in narrative form, not to exceed 2 SINGLE spaced page. For all existing staff, the Budget Justification must delineate how the percentage of time devoted to this initiative has been determined. **THIS FUNDING MAY ONLY BE USED TO EXPAND EXISTING ACTIVITIES OR CREATE NEW ACTIVITIES PURSUANT TO THIS RFA. THESE FUNDS MAY NOT BE USED TO SUPPLANT FUNDS FOR CURRENTLY EXISTING STAFF ACTIVITIES.**

Ineligible budget items will be removed from the budget before the budget is scored. The budget amount requested will be reduced to reflect the removal of the ineligible items.

Applications need to include a budget covering the entire 5-year contract period (7/1/10-6/30/15), with an itemized list of proposed expenditures including:

(a) Personnel expenditures.

(b) Non-personnel expenditures, with no more than 25% of the total budget being dedicated to the purchase of radon detectors.

(c) Other pertinent information by proposed activity.

(d) Match (in-kind) contributions (All applicants are required to provide matching funds equal to the amount of funds being granted).

(e) An assurance that non-federal monies are being used as match.

(f) Each budget page will include the following statement.

“Federal funds are being used to support this contract. Code of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) numbers for these funds are 66.032”.

B. Application Format

ALL APPLICATIONS SHOULD CONFORM TO THE FORMAT PRESCRIBED BELOW. POINTS WILL BE DEDUCTED FROM APPLICATIONS WHICH DEVIATE FROM THE PRESCRIBED FORMAT.

Applications should not exceed 15 Single-spaced typed pages (not including the cover page, budget and attachments), using a 12 point font. The value assigned to each section is an

indication of the relative weight that will be given when scoring your application.

1. Cover Letter (5 Points)
2. Project Plan (70 Points)
3. Budget (25 Points)

C. Review & Award Process

Applications meeting the guidelines set forth above will be reviewed and evaluated competitively by the NYSDOH, Division of Environmental Health Investigation, Bureau of Environmental Radiation Protection and reviewed by the United States Environmental Protection Agency.

Applications failing to provide all response requirements or failing to follow the prescribed format may be removed from consideration or points may be deducted.

Applications will be removed from consideration if:

- 1) Application is not received by the deadline in Section IV.D, or**
- 2) Applicant does not meet eligibility requirements in Section II, or**
- 3) Application does not address at least one of the program areas in Section III, or**
- 4) Applicant will not provide matching funds.**

If the Total of all requested dollars is greater than the dollars available, funds will be awarded using the formula below :

$$\text{\$ Awarded} = \frac{(\text{Score})(\text{\$ Requested})(\text{\$ Available})}{(100)(\text{Total \$ Requested by all applicants})}$$

Following the award of grants from this RFA, unsuccessful applicants may request a debriefing from the NYS DOH *Bureau of Environmental Health Protection* no later than three months from the date of the award(s) announcement. This debriefing will be limited to the positive and negative aspects of the subject application. In the event that unsuccessful applicants wish to protest awards, please follow the procedures established by the New York State Comptroller found at: www.osc.state.ny.us. In the event unsuccessful bidders wish to protest the award resulting from this RFP, bidders should follow the protest procedures established by the Office of the State Comptroller (OSC). These procedures can be found on the OSC website at: http://www.osc.state.ny.us/agencies/gbull/g_232.htm.

VI. Attachments

Attachment 1: Standard Grant Contract with Appendices

Attachment 2: Letter of Intent

Attachment 3: Vendor Responsibility Attestation

ATTACHMENT 1

GRANT CONTRACT (STANDARD)

STATE AGENCY (Name and Address): . NYS COMPTROLLER'S NUMBER: _____

CONTRACTOR (Name and Address): . ORIGINATING AGENCY CODE: _____

FEDERAL TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: . TYPE OF PROGRAM(S) _____

MUNICIPALITY NO. (if applicable): . INITIAL CONTRACT PERIOD

CHARITIES REGISTRATION NUMBER: . FROM:

____ - ____ - ____ or () EXEMPT: . TO: (If EXEMPT, indicate basis for exemption): . FUNDING AMOUNT FOR INITIAL PERIOD: _____

CONTRACTOR HAS() HAS NOT() TIMELY . MULTI-YEAR TERM (if applicable):

FILED WITH THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S . FROM: CHARITIES BUREAU ALL REQUIRED PERIODIC . TO: OR ANNUAL WRITTEN REPORTS.

CONTRACTOR IS() IS NOT() A . SECTARIAN ENTITY

CONTRACTOR IS() IS NOT() A . NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION

APPENDICES ATTACHED AND PART OF THIS AGREEMENT

- APPENDIX A Standard clauses as required by the Attorney General for all State contracts.
APPENDIX A-1 Agency-Specific Clauses (Rev 10/08)
APPENDIX B Budget
APPENDIX C Payment and Reporting Schedule
APPENDIX D Program Workplan
APPENDIX G Notices
APPENDIX X Modification Agreement Form (to accompany modified appendices for changes in term or consideration on an existing period or for renewal periods)

OTHER APPENDICES

- APPENDIX A-2 Program-Specific Clauses
APPENDIX E-1 Proof of Workers' Compensation Coverage
APPENDIX E-2 Proof of Disability Insurance Coverage
APPENDIX H Federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act Business Associate Agreement

Date: _____ . Date: _____

STATE OF NEW YORK

AGREEMENT

This AGREEMENT is hereby made by and between the State of New York agency (STATE) and the public or private agency (CONTRACTOR) identified on the face page hereof.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the STATE has the authority to regulate and provide funding for the establishment and operation of program services and desires to contract with skilled parties possessing the necessary resources to provide such services; and

WHEREAS, the CONTRACTOR is ready, willing and able to provide such program services and possesses or can make available all necessary qualified personnel, licenses, facilities and expertise to perform or have performed the services required pursuant to the terms of this AGREEMENT;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the promises, responsibilities and covenants herein, the STATE and the CONTRACTOR agree as follows:

I. Conditions of Agreement

- A. This AGREEMENT may consist of successive periods (PERIOD), as specified within the AGREEMENT or within a subsequent Modification Agreement(s) (Appendix X). Each additional or superseding PERIOD shall be on the forms specified by the particular State agency, and shall be incorporated into this AGREEMENT.
- B. Funding for the first PERIOD shall not exceed the funding amount specified on the face page hereof. Funding for each subsequent PERIOD, if any, shall not exceed the amount specified in the appropriate appendix for that PERIOD.
- C. This AGREEMENT incorporates the face pages attached and all of the marked appendices identified on the face page hereof.
- D. For each succeeding PERIOD of this AGREEMENT, the parties shall prepare new appendices, to the extent that any require modification, and a Modification Agreement (The attached Appendix X is the blank form to be used). Any terms of this AGREEMENT not modified shall remain in effect for each PERIOD of the AGREEMENT.

To modify the AGREEMENT within an existing PERIOD, the parties shall revise or complete the appropriate appendix form(s). Any change in the amount of consideration to be paid, change in scope or change in the term, is subject to the approval of the Office of the State Comptroller. Any other modifications shall be processed in accordance with agency guidelines as stated in Appendix A1.

- E. The CONTRACTOR shall perform all services to the satisfaction of the STATE. The CONTRACTOR shall provide services and meet the program objectives summarized in the Program Workplan (Appendix D) in accordance with: provisions of the AGREEMENT;

relevant laws, rules and regulations, administrative and fiscal guidelines; and where applicable, operating certificates for facilities or licenses for an activity or program.

- F. If the CONTRACTOR enters into subcontracts for the performance of work pursuant to this AGREEMENT, the CONTRACTOR shall take full responsibility for the acts and omissions of its subcontractors. Nothing in the subcontract shall impair the rights of the STATE under this AGREEMENT. No contractual relationship shall be deemed to exist between the subcontractor and the STATE.
- G. Appendix A (Standard Clauses as required by the Attorney General for all State contracts) takes precedence over all other parts of the AGREEMENT.

II. Payment and Reporting

- A. The CONTRACTOR, to be eligible for payment, shall submit to the STATE's designated payment office (identified in Appendix C) any appropriate documentation as required by the Payment and Reporting Schedule (Appendix C) and by agency fiscal guidelines, in a manner acceptable to the STATE.
- B. The STATE shall make payments and any reconciliations in accordance with the Payment and Reporting Schedule (Appendix C). The STATE shall pay the CONTRACTOR, in consideration of contract services for a given PERIOD, a sum not to exceed the amount noted on the face page hereof or in the respective Appendix designating the payment amount for that given PERIOD. This sum shall not duplicate reimbursement from other sources for CONTRACTOR costs and services provided pursuant to this AGREEMENT.
- C. The CONTRACTOR shall meet the audit requirements specified by the STATE.
- D. The CONTRACTOR shall provide complete and accurate billing vouchers to the Agency's designated payment office in order to receive payment. Billing vouchers submitted to the Agency must contain all information and supporting documentation required by the Contract, the Agency and the State Comptroller. Payment for vouchers submitted by the CONTRACTOR shall be rendered electronically unless payment by paper check is expressly authorized by the Commissioner, in the Commissioner's sole discretion, due to extenuating circumstances. Such electronic payment shall be made in accordance with ordinary State procedures and practices. The CONTRACTOR shall comply with the State Comptroller's procedures to authorize electronic payments. Authorization forms are available at the State Comptroller's website at www.osc.state.ny.us/epay/index.htm, by email at epunit@osc.state.ny.us or by telephone at 518-474-6019. CONTRACTOR acknowledges that it will not receive payment on any vouchers submitted under this contract if it does not comply with the State Comptroller's electronic payment procedures, except where the Commissioner has expressly authorized payment by paper check as set forth above.

In addition to the Electronic Payment Authorization Form, a Substitute Form W-9, must be on file with the Office of the State Comptroller, Bureau of Accounting Operations. Additional information and procedures for enrollment can be found at <http://www.osc.state.ny.us/epay>.

Completed W-9 forms should be submitted to the following address:

NYS Office of the State Comptroller
Bureau of Accounting Operations
Warrant & Payment Control Unit
110 State Street, 9th Floor
Albany, NY 12236

III. Terminations

- A. This AGREEMENT may be terminated at any time upon mutual written consent of the STATE and the CONTRACTOR.
- B. The STATE may terminate the AGREEMENT immediately, upon written notice of termination to the CONTRACTOR, if the CONTRACTOR fails to comply with the terms and conditions of this AGREEMENT and/or with any laws, rules and regulations, policies or procedures affecting this AGREEMENT.
- C. The STATE may also terminate this AGREEMENT for any reason in accordance with provisions set forth in Appendix A-1.
- D. Written notice of termination, where required, shall be sent by personal messenger service or by certified mail, return receipt requested. The termination shall be effective in accordance with the terms of the notice.
- E. Upon receipt of notice of termination, the CONTRACTOR agrees to cancel, prior to the effective date of any prospective termination, as many outstanding obligations as possible, and agrees not to incur any new obligations after receipt of the notice without approval by the STATE.
- F. The STATE shall be responsible for payment on claims pursuant to services provided and costs incurred pursuant to terms of the AGREEMENT. In no event shall the STATE be liable for expenses and obligations arising from the program(s) in this AGREEMENT after the termination date.

IV. Indemnification

- A. The CONTRACTOR shall be solely responsible and answerable in damages for any and all accidents and/or injuries to persons (including death) or property arising out of or related to the services to be rendered by the CONTRACTOR or its subcontractors pursuant to this AGREEMENT. The CONTRACTOR shall indemnify and hold harmless the STATE and its officers and employees from claims, suits, actions, damages and costs of every nature arising out of the provision of services pursuant to this AGREEMENT.
- B. The CONTRACTOR is an independent contractor and may neither hold itself out nor claim to be an officer, employee or subdivision of the STATE nor make any claims, demand or application to or for any right based upon any different status.

V. Property

Any equipment, furniture, supplies or other property purchased pursuant to this AGREEMENT is deemed to be the property of the STATE except as may otherwise be governed by Federal or State laws, rules and regulations, or as stated in Appendix A-2.

VI. Safeguards for Services and Confidentiality

- A. Services performed pursuant to this AGREEMENT are secular in nature and shall be performed in a manner that does not discriminate on the basis of religious belief, or promote or discourage adherence to religion in general or particular religious beliefs.
- B. Funds provided pursuant to this AGREEMENT shall not be used for any partisan political activity, or for activities that may influence legislation or the election or defeat of any candidate for public office.
- C. Information relating to individuals who may receive services pursuant to this AGREEMENT shall be maintained and used only for the purposes intended under the contract and in conformity with applicable provisions of laws and regulations, or specified in Appendix A-1.

APPENDIX A-1
(REV 10/08)

AGENCY SPECIFIC CLAUSES FOR ALL
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CONTRACTS

1. If the CONTRACTOR is a charitable organization required to be registered with the New York State Attorney General pursuant to Article 7-A of the New York State Executive Law, the CONTRACTOR shall furnish to the STATE such proof of registration (a copy of Receipt form) at the time of the execution of this AGREEMENT. The annual report form 497 is not required. If the CONTRACTOR is a business corporation or not-for-profit corporation, the CONTRACTOR shall also furnish a copy of its Certificate of Incorporation, as filed with the New York Department of State, to the Department of Health at the time of the execution of this AGREEMENT.
2. The CONTRACTOR certifies that all revenue earned during the budget period as a result of services and related activities performed pursuant to this contract shall be used either to expand those program services funded by this AGREEMENT or to offset expenditures submitted to the STATE for reimbursement.
3. Administrative Rules and Audits:
 - a. If this contract is funded in whole or in part from federal funds, the CONTRACTOR shall comply with the following federal grant requirements regarding administration and allowable costs.
 - i. For a local or Indian tribal government, use the principles in the common rule, "Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State and Local Governments," and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-87, "Cost Principles for State, Local and Indian Tribal Governments".
 - ii. For a nonprofit organization other than
 - ◆ an institution of higher education,
 - ◆ a hospital, or
 - ◆ an organization named in OMB Circular A-122, "Cost Principles for Non-profit Organizations", as not subject to that circular,use the principles in OMB Circular A-110, "Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Agreements with Institutions of Higher Education, Hospitals and Other Non-profit Organizations," and OMB Circular A-122.
 - iii. For an Educational Institution, use the principles in OMB Circular A-110 and OMB Circular A-21, "Cost Principles for Educational Institutions".
 - iv. For a hospital, use the principles in OMB Circular A-110, Department of Health and Human Services, 45 CFR 74, Appendix E, "Principles for Determining Costs Applicable to Research and Development Under Grants and Contracts with Hospitals" and, if not covered for audit purposes by OMB Circular A-133, "Audits of States Local Governments and Non-profit Organizations", then subject to program specific audit requirements following Government Auditing Standards for financial audits.
 - b. If this contract is funded entirely from STATE funds, and if there are no specific administration and allowable costs requirements applicable, CONTRACTOR shall adhere to the applicable principles in "a" above.

- c. The CONTRACTOR shall comply with the following grant requirements regarding audits.
 - i. *If the contract is funded from federal funds, and the CONTRACTOR spends more than \$500,000 in federal funds in their fiscal year, an audit report must be submitted in accordance with OMB Circular A-133.*
 - ii. If this contract is funded from other than federal funds or if the contract is funded from a combination of STATE and federal funds but federal funds are less than \$500,000, and if the CONTRACTOR receives \$300,000 or more in total annual payments from the STATE, the CONTRACTOR shall submit to the STATE after the end of the CONTRACTOR's fiscal year an audit report. The audit report shall be submitted to the STATE within thirty days after its completion but no later than nine months after the end of the audit period. The audit report shall summarize the business and financial transactions of the CONTRACTOR. The report shall be prepared and certified by an independent accounting firm or other accounting entity, which is demonstrably independent of the administration of the program being audited. Audits performed of the CONTRACTOR's records shall be conducted in accordance with Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States covering financial audits. This audit requirement may be met through entity-wide audits, coincident with the CONTRACTOR's fiscal year, as described in OMB Circular A-133. Reports, disclosures, comments and opinions required under these publications should be so noted in the audit report.
- d. For audit reports due on or after April 1, 2003, that are not received by the dates due, the following steps shall be taken:
 - i. If the audit report is one or more days late, voucher payments shall be held until a compliant audit report is received.
 - ii. If the audit report is 91 or more days late, the STATE shall recover payments for all STATE funded contracts for periods for which compliant audit reports are not received.
 - iii. If the audit report is 180 days or more late, the STATE shall terminate all active contracts, prohibit renewal of those contracts and prohibit the execution of future contracts until all outstanding compliant audit reports have been submitted.

4. The CONTRACTOR shall accept responsibility for compensating the STATE for any exceptions which are revealed on an audit and sustained after completion of the normal audit procedure.

5. FEDERAL CERTIFICATIONS: This section shall be applicable to this AGREEMENT only if any of the funds made available to the CONTRACTOR under this AGREEMENT are federal funds.

a. LOBBYING CERTIFICATION

- 1) If the CONTRACTOR is a tax-exempt organization under Section 501 (c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code, the CONTRACTOR certifies that it will not engage in lobbying activities of any kind regardless of how funded.
- 2) The CONTRACTOR acknowledges that as a recipient of federal appropriated funds, it is subject to the limitations on the use of such funds to influence

certain Federal contracting and financial transactions, as specified in Public Law 101-121, section 319, and codified in section 1352 of Title 31 of the United States Code. In accordance with P.L. 101-121, section 319, 31 U.S.C. 1352 and implementing regulations, the CONTRACTOR affirmatively acknowledges and represents that it is prohibited and shall refrain from using Federal funds received under this AGREEMENT for the purposes of lobbying; provided, however, that such prohibition does not apply in the case of a payment of reasonable compensation made to an officer or employee of the CONTRACTOR to the extent that the payment is for agency and legislative liaison activities not directly related to the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant or loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, or the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan or cooperative agreement. Nor does such prohibition prohibit any reasonable payment to a person in connection with, or any payment of reasonable compensation to an officer or employee of the CONTRACTOR if the payment is for professional or technical services rendered directly in the preparation, submission or negotiation of any bid, proposal, or application for a Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, or an extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification thereof, or for meeting requirements imposed by or pursuant to law as a condition for receiving that Federal contract, grant, loan or cooperative agreement.

- 3) This section shall be applicable to this AGREEMENT only if federal funds allotted exceed \$100,000.
 - a) The CONTRACTOR certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:
 - ◆ No federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the CONTRACTOR, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any federal contract, the making of any federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal amendment or modification of any federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
 - ◆ If any funds other than federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the CONTRACTOR shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying" in accordance with its instructions.
 - b) The CONTRACTOR shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all sub-awards at all tiers (including subcontracts, sub-grants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all

sub-recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

- c) The CONTRACTOR shall disclose specified information on any agreement with lobbyists whom the CONTRACTOR will pay with other Federal appropriated funds by completion and submission to the STATE of the Federal Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying", in accordance with its instructions. This form may be obtained by contacting either the Office of Management and Budget Fax Information Line at (202) 395-9068 or the Bureau of Accounts Management at (518) 474-1208. Completed forms should be submitted to the New York State Department of Health, Bureau of Accounts Management, Empire State Plaza, Corning Tower Building, Room 1315, Albany, 12237-0016.
 - d) The CONTRACTOR shall file quarterly updates on the use of lobbyists if material changes occur, using the same standard disclosure form identified in (c) above to report such updated information.
- 4) The reporting requirements enumerated in subsection (3) of this paragraph shall not apply to the CONTRACTOR with respect to:
- a) Payments of reasonable compensation made to its regularly employed officers or employees;
 - b) A request for or receipt of a contract (other than a contract referred to in clause (c) below), grant, cooperative agreement, subcontract (other than a subcontract referred to in clause (c) below), or subgrant that does not exceed \$100,000; and
 - c) A request for or receipt of a loan, or a commitment providing for the United States to insure or guarantee a loan, that does not exceed \$150,000, including a contract or subcontract to carry out any purpose for which such a loan is made.

b. CERTIFICATION REGARDING ENVIRONMENTAL TOBACCO SMOKE:

Public Law 103-227, also known as the Pro-Children Act of 1994 (Act), requires that smoking not be permitted in any portion of any indoor facility owned or leased or contracted for by an entity and used routinely or regularly for the provision of health, day care, early childhood development services, education or library services to children under the age of 18, if the services are funded by federal programs either directly or through State or local governments, by federal grant, contract, loan, or loan guarantee. The law also applies to children's services that are provided in indoor facilities that are constructed, operated, or maintained with such federal funds. The law does not apply to children's services provided in private residences; portions of facilities used for inpatient drug or alcohol

treatment; service providers whose sole source of applicable federal funds is Medicare or Medicaid; or facilities where WIC coupons are redeemed. Failure to comply with the provisions of the law may result in the imposition of a monetary penalty of up to \$1000 for each violation and/or the imposition of an administrative compliance order on the responsible entity.

By signing this AGREEMENT, the CONTRACTOR certifies that it will comply with the requirements of the Act and will not allow smoking within any portion of any indoor facility used for the provision of services for children as defined by the Act. The CONTRACTOR agrees that it will require that the language of this certification be included in any subawards which contain provisions for children's services and that all subrecipients shall certify accordingly.

c. CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION

Regulations of the Department of Health and Human Services, located at Part 76 of Title 45 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), implement Executive Orders 12549 and 12689 concerning debarment and suspension of participants in federal programs and activities. Executive Order 12549 provides that, to the extent permitted by law, Executive departments and agencies shall participate in a government-wide system for non-procurement debarment and suspension. Executive Order 12689 extends the debarment and suspension policy to procurement activities of the federal government. A person who is debarred or suspended by a federal agency is excluded from federal financial and non-financial assistance and benefits under federal programs and activities, both directly (primary covered transaction) and indirectly (lower tier covered transactions). Debarment or suspension by one federal agency has government-wide effect.

Pursuant to the above-cited regulations, the New York State Department of Health (as a participant in a primary covered transaction) may not knowingly do business with a person who is debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or subject to other government-wide exclusion (including any exclusion from Medicare and State health care program participation on or after August 25, 1995), and the Department of Health must require its prospective contractors, as prospective lower tier participants, to provide the certification in Appendix B to Part 76 of Title 45 CFR, as set forth below:

1) APPENDIX B TO 45 CFR PART 76-CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION-LOWER TIER COVERED TRANSACTIONS

Instructions for Certification

- a) By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out below.
- b) The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered and erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

- c) The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or had become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
- d) The terms *covered transaction, debarred, suspended, ineligible, lower tier covered transaction, participant, person, primary covered transaction, principal, proposal, and voluntarily excluded*, as used in this clause, have the meaning set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the person to which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.
- e) The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.
- f) The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include this clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transaction," without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions.
- g) A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the List of Parties Excluded From Federal Procurement and Non-procurement Programs.
- h) Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
- i) Except for transactions authorized under paragraph "e" of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

2) *Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion – Lower*

Tier Covered Transactions

- a) The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department agency.
 - b) Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.
6. The STATE, its employees, representatives and designees, shall have the right at any time during normal business hours to inspect the sites where services are performed and observe the services being performed by the CONTRACTOR. The CONTRACTOR shall render all assistance and cooperation to the STATE in making such inspections. The surveyors shall have the responsibility for determining contract compliance as well as the quality of service being rendered.
 7. The CONTRACTOR will not discriminate in the terms, conditions and privileges of employment, against any employee, or against any applicant for employment because of race, creed, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, sexual orientation or marital status. The CONTRACTOR has an affirmative duty to take prompt, effective, investigative and remedial action where it has actual or constructive notice of discrimination in the terms, conditions or privileges of employment against (including harassment of) any of its employees by any of its other employees, including managerial personnel, based on any of the factors listed above.
 8. The CONTRACTOR shall not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, sexual orientation or marital status against any person seeking services for which the CONTRACTOR may receive reimbursement or payment under this AGREEMENT.
 9. The CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable federal, State and local civil rights and human rights laws with reference to equal employment opportunities and the provision of services.
 10. The STATE may cancel this AGREEMENT at any time by giving the CONTRACTOR not less than thirty (30) days written notice that on or after a date therein specified, this AGREEMENT shall be deemed terminated and cancelled.
 11. Where the STATE does not provide notice to the NOT-FOR-PROFIT CONTRACTOR of its intent to not renew this contract by the date by which such notice is required by Section 179-t(1) of the State Finance Law, then this contract shall be deemed continued until the date that the agency provides the notice required by Section 179-t, and the expenses incurred during such extension shall be reimbursable under the terms of this contract.
 12. Other Modifications
 - a. Modifications of this AGREEMENT as specified below may be made within an existing PERIOD by mutual written agreement of both parties:
 - ◆ Appendix B - Budget line interchanges; Any proposed modification to the contract which results in a change of greater than 10 percent to any budget category, must be submitted to OSC for approval;
 - ◆ Appendix C - Section II, Progress and Final Reports;

◆ Appendix D - Program Workplan will require OSC approval.

- b. To make any other modification of this AGREEMENT within an existing PERIOD, the parties shall revise or complete the appropriate appendix form(s), and a Modification Agreement (Appendix X is the blank form to be used), which shall be effective only upon approval by the Office of the State Comptroller.

13. Unless the CONTRACTOR is a political sub-division of New York State, the CONTRACTOR shall provide proof, completed by the CONTRACTOR's insurance carrier and/or the Workers' Compensation Board, of coverage for

Workers' Compensation, for which one of the following is incorporated into this contract as **Appendix E-1**:

- **CE-200** - Certificate of Attestation For New York Entities With No Employees And Certain Out Of State Entities, That New York State Workers' Compensation And/Or Disability Benefits Insurance Coverage is Not Required; OR
- **C-105.2** -- Certificate of Workers' Compensation Insurance. PLEASE NOTE: The State Insurance Fund provides its own version of this form, the **U-26.3**; OR
- **SI-12** -- Certificate of Workers' Compensation Self-Insurance, OR **GSI-105.2** -- Certificate of Participation in Workers' Compensation Group Self-Insurance

Disability Benefits coverage, for which one of the following is incorporated into this contract as **Appendix E-2**:

- **CE-200** - Certificate of Attestation For New York Entities With No Employees And Certain Out Of State Entities, That New York State Workers' Compensation And/Or Disability Benefits Insurance Coverage is Not Required; OR
- **DB-120.1** -- Certificate of Disability Benefits Insurance OR
- **DB-155** -- Certificate of Disability Benefits Self-Insurance

14. Contractor shall comply with the provisions of the New York State Information Security Breach and Notification Act (General Business Law Section 899-aa; State Technology Law Section 208). Contractor shall be liable for the costs associated with such breach if caused by Contractor's negligent or willful acts or omissions, or the negligent or willful acts or omissions of Contractor's agents, officers, employees or subcontractors.

15. All products supplied pursuant to this agreement shall meet local, state and federal regulations, guidelines and action levels for lead as they exist at the time of the State's acceptance of this contract.

16. Additional clauses as may be required under this AGREEMENT are annexed hereto as appendices and are made a part hereof if so indicated on the face page of this AGREEMENT.

APPENDIX B

BUDGET
(sample format)

Organization Name: _____

Budget Period: Commencing on: _____ Ending on: _____

Personal Service

Number	Title	Annual Salary	% Time Devoted to This Project	Total Amount Budgeted From NYS
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Total Salary	_____
Fringe Benefits (specify rate)	_____
TOTAL PERSONAL SERVICE:	_____

Other Than Personal Service Amount

Category	
Supplies	
Travel	
Telephone	
Postage	
Photocopy	
Other Contractual Services (specify)	
Equipment (Defray Cost of Defibrillator)	_____

TOTAL OTHER THAN PERSONAL SERVICE _____

GRAND TOTAL _____

Federal funds are being used to support this contract. Code of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) numbers for these funds are: (required) _____

APPENDIX C

PAYMENT AND REPORTING SCHEDULE

I. Payment and Reporting Terms and Conditions

A. The STATE may, at its discretion, make an advance payment to the CONTRACTOR, during the initial or any subsequent PERIOD, in an amount to be determined by the STATE but not to exceed _____ percent of the maximum amount indicated in the budget as set forth in the most recently approved Appendix B. If this payment is to be made, it will be due thirty calendar days, excluding legal holidays, after the later of either:

- ❶ the first day of the contract term specified in the Initial Contract Period identified on the face page of the AGREEMENT or if renewed, in the PERIOD identified in the Appendix X, OR
- ❷ if this contract is wholly or partially supported by Federal funds, availability of the federal funds;

provided, however, that a STATE has not determined otherwise in a written notification to the CONTRACTOR suspending a Written Directive associated with this AGREEMENT, and that a proper voucher for such advance has been received in the STATE's designated payment office. If no advance payment is to be made, the initial payment under this AGREEMENT shall be due thirty calendar days, excluding legal holidays, after the later of either:

- ❶ the end of the first <monthly or quarterly> period of this AGREEMENT; or
- ❷ if this contract is wholly or partially supported by federal funds, availability of the federal funds:

provided, however, that the proper voucher for this payment has been received in the STATE's designated payment office.

B. No payment under this AGREEMENT, other than advances as authorized herein, will be made by the STATE to the CONTRACTOR unless proof of performance of required services or accomplishments is provided. If the CONTRACTOR fails to perform the services required under this AGREEMENT the STATE shall, in addition to any remedies available by law or equity, recoup payments made but not earned, by set-off against any other public funds owed to CONTRACTOR.

C. Any optional advance payment(s) shall be applied by the STATE to future payments due to the CONTRACTOR for services provided during initial or subsequent PERIODS. Should funds for subsequent PERIODS not be appropriated or budgeted by the STATE for the purpose herein specified, the STATE shall, in accordance with Section 41 of the State Finance Law, have no liability under this AGREEMENT to the CONTRACTOR, and this AGREEMENT shall be considered terminated and cancelled.

- D. The CONTRACTOR will be entitled to receive payments for work, projects, and services rendered as detailed and described in the program workplan, Appendix D. All payments shall be in conformance with the rules and regulations of the Office of the State Comptroller. The CONTRACTOR shall provide complete and accurate billing vouchers to the Agency's designated payment office in order to receive payment. Billing vouchers submitted to the Agency must contain all information and supporting documentation required by the Contract, the Agency and the State Comptroller. Payment for vouchers submitted by the CONTRACTOR shall be rendered electronically unless payment by paper check is expressly authorized by the Commissioner, in the Commissioner's sole discretion, due to extenuating circumstances. Such electronic payment shall be made in accordance with ordinary State procedures and practices. The CONTRACTOR shall comply with the State Comptroller's procedures to authorize electronic payments. Authorization forms are available at the State Comptroller's website at www.osc.state.ny.us/epay/index.htm, by email at epunit@osc.state.ny.us or by telephone at 518-474-6019. The CONTRACTOR acknowledges that it will not receive payment on any vouchers submitted under this contract if it does not comply with the State Comptroller's electronic payment procedures, except where the Commissioner has expressly authorized payment by paper check as set forth above.

In addition to the Electronic Payment Authorization Form, a Substitute Form W-9, must be on file with the Office of the State Comptroller, Bureau of Accounting Operations. Additional information and procedures for enrollment can be found at <http://www.osc.state.ny.us/epay>.

Completed W-9 forms should be submitted to the following address:

NYS Office of the State Comptroller
Bureau of Accounting Operations
Warrant & Payment Control Unit
110 State Street, 9th Floor
Albany, NY 12236

- E. The CONTRACTOR will provide the STATE with the reports of progress or other specific work products pursuant to this AGREEMENT as described in this Appendix below. In addition, a final report must be submitted by the CONTRACTOR no later than ____ days after the end of this AGREEMENT. All required reports or other work products developed under this AGREEMENT must be completed as provided by the agreed upon work schedule in a manner satisfactory and acceptable to the STATE in order for the CONTRACTOR to be eligible for payment.
- F. The CONTRACTOR shall submit to the STATE <monthly or quarterly> voucher claims and reports of expenditures on such forms and in such detail as the STATE shall require. The CONTRACTOR shall submit vouchers to the State's designated payment office located in the _____.

All vouchers submitted by the CONTRACTOR pursuant to this AGREEMENT shall be submitted to the STATE no later than _____ days after the end date of the period for which reimbursement is being claimed. In no event shall the amount received by the CONTRACTOR exceed the budget amount approved by the STATE, and, if

actual expenditures by the CONTRACTOR are less than such sum, the amount payable by the STATE to the CONTRACTOR shall not exceed the amount of actual expenditures. All contract advances in excess of actual expenditures will be recouped by the STATE prior to the end of the applicable budget period.

- G. If the CONTRACTOR is eligible for an annual cost of living adjustment (COLA), enacted in New York State Law, that is associated with this grant AGREEMENT, payment of such COLA, or a portion thereof, may be applied toward payment of amounts payable under Appendix B of this AGREEMENT or may be made separate from payments under this AGREEMENT, at the discretion of the STATE.

Before payment of a COLA can be made, the STATE shall notify the CONTRACTOR, in writing, of eligibility for any COLA. If payment is to be made separate from payments under this AGREEMENT, the CONTRACTOR shall be required to submit a written certification attesting that all COLA funding will be used to promote the recruitment and retention of staff or respond to other critical non-personal service costs during the State fiscal year for which the cost of living adjustment was allocated, or provide any other such certification as may be required in the enacted legislation authorizing the COLA.

II. Progress and Final Reports

Insert Reporting Requirements in this section. Provide detailed requirements for all required reports including type of report, information required, formatting, and due dates. Please note that at a minimum, expenditure reports (to support vouchers) and a final report are required. Other commonly used reports include:

Narrative/Qualitative: This report properly determines how work has progressed toward attaining the goals enumerated in the Program Workplan (Appendix D).

Statistical/Qualitative Report: This report analyzes the quantitative aspects of the program plan - for example: meals served, clients transported, training sessions conducted, etc.

APPENDIX D

PROGRAM WORKPLAN (sample format)

A well written, concise workplan is required to ensure that the Department and the contractor are both clear about what the expectations under the contract are. When a contractor is selected through an RFP or receives continuing funding based on an application, the proposal submitted by the contractor may serve as the contract's work plan if the format is designed appropriately. The following are suggested elements of an RFP or application designed to ensure that the minimum necessary information is obtained. Program managers may require additional information if it is deemed necessary.

I. CORPORATE INFORMATION

Include the full corporate or business name of the organization as well as the address, federal employer identification number and the name and telephone number(s) of the person(s) responsible for the plan's development. An indication as to whether the contract is a not-for-profit or governmental organization should also be included. All not-for-profit organizations must include their New York State charity registration number; if the organization is exempt AN EXPLANATION OF THE EXEMPTION MUST BE ATTACHED.

II. SUMMARY STATEMENT

This section should include a narrative summary describing the project which will be funded by the contract. This overview should be concise and to the point. Further details can be included in the section which addresses specific deliverables.

III. PROGRAM GOALS

This section should include a listing, in an abbreviated format (i.e., bullets), of the goals to be accomplished under the contract. Project goals should be as quantifiable as possible, thereby providing a useful measure with which to judge the contractor's performance.

IV. SPECIFIC DELIVERABLES

A listing of specific services or work projects should be included. Deliverables should be broken down into discrete items which will be performed or delivered as a unit (i.e., a report, number of clients served, etc.) Whenever possible a specific date should be associated with each deliverable, thus making each expected completion date clear to both parties.

Language contained in Appendix C of the contract states that the contractor is not eligible for payment "unless proof of performance of required services or accomplishments is provided." The workplan as a whole should be structured around this concept to ensure that the Department does not pay for services that have not been rendered.

Appendix G

NOTICES

All notices permitted or required hereunder shall be in writing and shall be transmitted either:

- (a) via certified or registered United States mail, return receipt requested;
- (b) by facsimile transmission;
- (c) by personal delivery;
- (d) by expedited delivery service; or
- (e) by e-mail.

Such notices shall be addressed as follows or to such different addresses as the parties may from time to time designate:

State of New York Department of Health

Name:

Title:

Address:

Telephone Number:

Facsimile Number:

E-Mail Address:

[Insert Contractor Name]

Name:

Title:

Address:

Telephone Number:

Facsimile Number:

E-Mail Address:

Any such notice shall be deemed to have been given either at the time of personal delivery or, in the case of expedited delivery service or certified or registered United States mail, as of the date of first attempted delivery at the address and in the manner provided herein, or in the case of facsimile transmission or email, upon receipt.

The parties may, from time to time, specify any new or different address in the United States as their address for purpose of receiving notice under this AGREEMENT by giving fifteen (15) days written notice to the other party sent in accordance herewith. The parties agree to mutually designate individuals as their respective representative for the purposes of receiving notices under this AGREEMENT. Additional individuals may be designated in writing by the parties for purposes of implementation and administration/billing, resolving issues and problems, and/or for dispute resolution.

Agency Code 12000
APPENDIX X

Contract Number: _____ Contractor: _____

Amendment Number X-_____

This is an AGREEMENT between THE STATE OF NEW YORK, acting by and through NYS Department of Health, having its principal office at Albany, New York, (hereinafter referred to as the STATE), and _____ (hereinafter referred to as the CONTRACTOR), for amendment of this contract.

This amendment makes the following changes to the contract (check all that apply):

- _____ Modifies the contract period at no additional cost
- _____ Modifies the contract period at additional cost
- _____ Modifies the budget or payment terms
- _____ Modifies the work plan or deliverables
- _____ Replaces appendix(es) _____ with the attached appendix(es) _____
- _____ Adds the attached appendix(es) _____
- _____ Other: (describe) _____

This amendment *is* / *is not* a contract renewal as allowed for in the existing contract.

All other provisions of said AGREEMENT shall remain in full force and effect.

Prior to this amendment, the contract value and period were:

\$ _____ From ____/____/____ to ____/____/____.
(Value before amendment) (Initial start date)

This amendment provides the following modification (complete only items being modified):

\$ _____ From ____/____/____ to ____/____/____.

This will result in new contract terms of:

\$ _____ From ____/____/____ to ____/____/____.
(All years thus far combined) (Initial start date) (Amendment end date)

Signature Page for:

Contract Number: _____ Contractor: _____

Amendment Number: X-_____

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this AGREEMENT as of the dates appearing under their signatures.

CONTRACTOR SIGNATURE:

By: _____ Date: _____
(signature)

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) SS:
County of _____)

On the ___ day of _____ in the year _____ before me, the undersigned, personally appeared _____, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual(s) whose name(s) is(are) subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their/ capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument, the individual(s), or the person upon behalf of which the individual(s) acted, executed the instrument.

(Signature and office of the individual taking acknowledgement)

STATE AGENCY SIGNATURE

"In addition to the acceptance of this contract, I also certify that original copies of this signature page will be attached to all other exact copies of this contract."

By: _____ Date: _____
(signature)

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S SIGNATURE

By: _____ Date: _____

STATE COMPTROLLER'S SIGNATURE

By: _____ Date: _____

Sample

Letter of Interest

or

Letter to Receive Notification of RFA Updates and Modifications

DOH Contact
DOH Address

Re: RFA #
RFA Title

Dear _____:

This letter is to indicate our interest in the above Request for Applications (RFA) and to request:
(please check one)

- that our organization be notified, via the e-mail address below, when any updates, official responses to questions, or amendments to the RFA are posted on the Department of Health website: <http://www.nyhealth.gov/funding/>.

E-mail address: _____

- that our organization is unable or prefers not to use the Department of Health's website and requests the actual documents containing any updates, official responses to questions, or amendments to the RFA be mailed to the address below:

Sincerely,

Vendor Responsibility Attestation

To comply with the Vendor Responsibility Requirements outlined in Section IV, Administrative Requirements, H. Vendor Responsibility Questionnaire, I hereby certify:

Choose one:

An on-line Vendor Responsibility Questionnaire has been updated or created at OSC's website: <https://portal.osc.state.ny.us> within the last six months.

A hard copy Vendor Responsibility Questionnaire is included with this application and is dated within the last six months.

A Vendor Responsibility Questionnaire is not required due to an exempt status. Exemptions include governmental entities, public authorities, public colleges and universities, public benefit corporations, and Indian Nations.

Signature of Organization Official: _____

Print/type Name: _____

Title: _____

Organization: _____

Date Signed: _____