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**New York State Regional Adult Education Networks (RAEN) RFP #02-014**

The New York State Education Department (NYSED) is seeking proposals to award Federal Workforce Investment Act (WIA), Title II Section 223 funding for seven Regional Adult Education Networks (RAEN) to provide staff development and program improvement activities. A total of \$2.2 million in annual funding will be available for the program period July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2008. NYSED will award seven (7) contracts. Applications will be accepted through April 7, 2004 (3 PM). The RFP will be available on-line on February 26, 2004 at the following web address: <http://www.emsc.nysed.gov/funding/currentapps.htm>.

The RAEN is part of the state system of staff development and technical assistance to programs to meet National Reporting System (NRS) performance benchmarks and other criteria that may be required. These benchmarks measure educational gains in adult education and/or English literacy, passing rates for the General Educational Development (GED) Test, employment outcomes, post-secondary education or training and other criteria that may be added. The RAEN must have the capacity to support all Title II funded programs within the counties of their region.

**Mandatory Requirements:**

An agency responding to this RFP request must submit a signed Certification Statement of Ability to Meet Minimum Requirements. Subcontracting of direct services is limited to no more than 25% of the annual RAEN budget. Seven Regional Adult Education Networks (RAEN) will be funded to serve the adult education and family literacy programs within seven geographic regions of New York State. NYSED will award seven (7) contracts. There will also be a Bidder's Conference on March 4, 2004.

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