

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDS

Office of Children and Family Services
52 Washington Street
Rensselaer, NY 12144

NOT-FOR-PROFIT AND FOR-PROFIT CHILD DAY CARE CENTERS, SCHOOL AGE CHILD CARE PROGRAMS AND OTHER NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS AND GOVERNMENT AGENCIES (SEE PROGRAM DESCRIPTION FOR ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS)

Child Day Care Center and School Age Start Up and Expansion Programs; Expansion of Hours of Existing Child Day Care Centers and School Age Child Care Programs; Health and Safety Grants; Innovative Programs Initiative and Accreditation Grants

Applications for all program types, except Health and Safety grants \$15,000 and under, will be accepted on 10/14/05, 01/20/06, 04/14/06, 07/14/06. Applications may be submitted for Health and Safety grants \$15,000 and under may be submitted by the 10th of each month, beginning on October 10, 2004.

The Office of Children and Family Services is making available a series of grant opportunities to expand the availability of and/or improve the quality of care in regulated child care settings. The specific funding categories included in the RFP are: Child Day Care Center and School Age Start Up and Expansion Programs; Expansion of Hours of Existing Child Day Care Centers and School Age Child Care Programs; Health and Safety Grants, Innovative Programs Initiative and Accreditation grants to reimburse programs for successfully completing nationally recognized accreditation processes.

Requirements: All categories except for the Innovative Programs Initiative are open to the not-for-profit AND for-profit child day care center, school age child care programs, other not-for-profit organizations and government agencies. The Innovative Programs Initiative category is limited to government and not-for-profit organizations. Subcontracting Provisions: In accordance with Standard NYS Appendix A.

For an application, contact: Suzanne Sennett, Bureau of Early Childhood Services, 52 Washington St., N. Bldg., Rm. 338, Rensselaer, NY 12144, (518) 474-9454

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REPRESENTATIVES FROM HOSPITALS, NUTRITIONISTS, MEDICAL SOCIETIES, NYSDOH

Obesity Surgery's Delicate Balance: Weighing the Benefits and Risks—Phase II

A contract extension is being developed with Affinity Health Plan and its collaborating health plan partners to continue the work started in a previous grant cycle. Phase I of the project titled, Obesity Surgery's

Delicate Balance: Weighing the Benefits and Risks, brought together leading bariatric surgeons in NYS to develop a set of clinical guidelines for the evaluation of patients suitable for bariatric surgery, the qualifications for surgeons performing surgery and the type of procedures to be performed. Continuation of Phase II will expand the Obesity Surgery Workgroup to representatives from hospitals, nutritionists, medical societies, NYSDOH and others to review the guidelines and endorse a final consensus bariatric surgery guideline for NYS. This final guideline will be used to educate insurers, physicians, patients and employers about the risks and benefits of surgery for morbidly obese individuals. The budgeted amount is \$75,000 for a six-month period.

For more information, contact: Patricia Bubniak at the above address, e-mail: pab05@health.state.ny.us

Commission on Quality of Care and
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NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS TO OPERATE REGIONAL
TRAID CENTERS

Technology-Related Assistance for Individuals with Disabilities (TRAID) Project

As the administering agency for the TRAIID project, CQCAPD is announcing the availability of federal and state funding to establish five-year contracts for the period April 1, 2006 – March 31, 2011 with not-for-profit organizations to operate Regional TRAIID Centers in 2 regions of New York State.

Program Summary: The mission of the TRAIID project is to increase access to assistive technology devices and services for persons with disabilities to enable them to be more independent at home, work, school and play. Each contractor will be responsible for operating a regional center that will function as a local resource providing assistive technology-related services to consumers, family members, service providers, educators and other interested parties. The core services required under these contracts are information and referral, device demonstrations, dissemination of accessible information technology materials, and outreach and awareness training. The centers will also be required to operate an equipment loan program for children eligible for early intervention services. Program activities must be reported quarterly to CQCAPD.

A Request for Proposals (RFP) is expected to be released on October 7, 2005. Due date for receipt of proposals is November 18, 2005. Subcontracting will not be allowed without the express written approval of CQCAPD.

It is anticipated that 2 contracts will be awarded under this RFP. The entire program, including the 10 contracts mentioned below, will consist of 12 contracts with a total of approximately \$480,000 available during the first one-year contract period. The 2 regions comprising this RFP are: Mohawk/Leatherstocking Region (7 counties) and Southern Tier

Region (5 counties). Funding amounts for years 2–5 of the five-year term will be subject to the availability of funds. (An RFP was issued on July 1, 2005 to establish 10 contracts under the TRAIID Project with five-year terms of January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2010. The NYS regions represented in that RFP are Western New York, Southwestern New York, Finger Lakes, Central New York, Adirondack, Capital, Hudson Valley, Lower Hudson Valley, New York City and Long Island.)

For an application and a full description of the required services and counties served by each region, contact: Lisa Rosano-Kaczowski, TRAIID Project Manager, by phone at (800) 522-4369 (v/tty) or (518) 474-2825; or by E-Mail at Lisa.Rosano@cqcapd.state.ny.us. An RFP announcement will also be available on CQCAPD's website at www.cqcapd.state.ny.us