The Healthy Tomorrows Partnership for Children Program
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A collaborative grant program of the Federal Maternal and Child Health Bureau and the American Academy of Pediatrics

The Healthy Tomorrows Partnership for Children Program (HTPCP) is a collaborative partnership between the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) and the Maternal and Child Health Bureau (MCHB). In keeping with its commitment to attain optimal physical, mental, social and emotional health for all children and their families, the AAP works with the MCHB to strengthen efforts to promote health and assure access to health care for children and their families. The initiative utilizes the AAP network of health professionals, including 59 local chapters throughout the United States. Through this partnership the MCHB provides funding for community-based initiatives. The AAP provides technical assistance to applicants and grantees to support successful planning, implementation, and evaluation of the initiatives.

PROGRAM FOCUS
The purpose of Healthy Tomorrows is to stimulate innovative community-based programs that employ prevention strategies to promote access to health care for children and their families nationwide. HTPCP funding supports direct service initiatives, not research projects. Healthy Tomorrows is designed to support family-centered initiatives that:

- Implement innovative approaches for focusing resources to promote community defined preventive child health and developmental objectives for vulnerable children and their families, especially those with limited access to quality health services
- Foster cooperation among community organizations, agencies, and families
- Involve pediatricians and other pediatric health professionals
- Build community and statewide partnerships among professionals in health, education, social services, government, and business to achieve self-sustaining programs to assure healthy children and families

GRANT AWARD SPECIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS
Healthy Tomorrows grant awards are for up to $50,000 per year for a 5-year project period. To be eligible for funding, projects must be direct service initiatives that are new or are new components of established initiatives, and demonstrate the potential to sustain financially after federal support is withdrawn. Projects are required to provide 2-to-1 non-federal matching funds (either in-kind or from other sources) to support the project in years 2-5 to engender long-term sustainability. Other requirements for the program include:

- Pediatrician/Pediatric primary care provider involvement
- Collaboration with Title V
- Project advisory board
- Evaluation plan
- Matching funds

Healthy Tomorrows projects have historically focused on a wide variety of child health issues and target populations. These include:
✓ Primary care for uninsured children and children insured through Medicaid
✓ Intervention and care coordination services for children with special health care needs
✓ Interventions for health promotion through risk reduction in vulnerable families
✓ Adolescent health promotion including reproductive health, prenatal care, and education services
✓ Expanded perinatal care and parent education services
✓ Services for special child and family populations
✓ Overweight and obesity initiatives for children
✓ Special health services, such as mental health and oral health

**HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE**

The Proposal Development Guide is designed to assist you to plan for a community-based program that meets the requirements listed above. The following pages provide suggestions for assessment and planning activities along with tips for increasing access to care, engaging pediatricians and state partners, creating an advisory board, developing an evaluation plan, and creating a budget. Also included is information about a variety of resources that may be useful to community-based initiatives. *This guide is not to be used as a replacement for the formal HTPCP program guidance.*

**WHERE TO GET ASSISTANCE**

Technical assistance related to proposal development, pediatrician involvement, advisory boards, and evaluation planning is available through the AAP by contacting the AAP HTPCP staff:

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