



## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Department of Health Accepting Applications for Title X Family Planning Funds**

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Department of Health (NDDoH) is accepting applications from organizations interested in applying for Title X Family Planning funds, according to Charlene R. Reiswig with the department's Family Planning Program.

The NDDoH has been awarded a federal, five-year grant (2009-2014) to administer Title X family planning services throughout the state. Since 1972, the NDDoH has been the state grantee and has the overall accountability for the distribution of grant funds and activities.

The North Dakota Family Planning Program contracts with a variety of entities throughout the state to ensure that low income individuals have the ability to freely choose the number and spacing of their children by providing medial and contraceptive services, comprehensive education and counseling and community outreach. Required services for the program are outlined in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Family Planning's *Program Guidelines for Project Grants for Family Planning Services, January 2001*. The guidelines are available at [www.hhs.gov/opa/familyplanning/toolsdocs/index.html](http://www.hhs.gov/opa/familyplanning/toolsdocs/index.html)

The NDDoH is planning on contracting with the current nine delegate agencies for the upcoming fiscal year (2010-2011) with the option to renew for three additional one-year periods:

- Custer Family Planning Center: Bismarck, Fort Yates
- Lake Region Family Planning Program: Devils Lake, Rugby, Fort Totten
- Community Action Partnership: Dickinson, Scranton
- Fargo Cass Public Health: Fargo
- Valley Health & WIC: Grand Forks
- Central Valley Family Planning Program: Jamestown, Valley City

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- First District Health Unit: Minot
- Richland County Family Planning Program: Wahpeton, Lisbon
- Upper Missouri District Health Unit: Williston, Crosby, Stanley, Watford City

Other organizations interested in applying for funds must submit a letter of intent to Charlene R. Reiswig by Nov. 13, 2009. The letter of intent must document that the agency has the capacity to provide a family planning program in accordance with Section 1001 of the of the Family Planning Services and Population Research Act of 1970 (Public Law 91-572), all applicable federal regulations contained in Title X, 42 CFR, Subpart A, Part 59 along with the North Dakota Constitution and all applicable state regulations.

Letters of intent determined to have the capacity to provide a family planning program according to the criteria listed above will be sent a Request for Proposal for Family Planning Services grant application.

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