



Healthy Smiles, Healthy Children Access to Care Grants 2013-2014 Guidelines

OVERVIEW

Healthy Smiles, Healthy Children's (HSHC) is committed to improving the quality of pediatric oral health care including the Age-one Dental Visit, providing *Dental Homes* and access to dental care to children in need. Healthy Smiles, Healthy Children supports this goal through its Access to Care Grants.

HSHC Access to Care Grants are **matching grants** of up to \$20,000 per year supporting community-based initiatives in the U.S. providing dental care to underserved/limited access children. Special consideration will be given to programs that have demonstrated success and/or have potential for replication in other communities.

USE OF FUNDS

HSHC funds may be applied to cover costs of clinic supplies and instruments, patient/parent education materials, take-home supplies (toothbrushes, toothpaste, etc.), education and/or outreach to recruit dentist participation in program activities, or other activity with clear, direct impact on pediatric oral health care.

Access to Care Grant funds must be expended within 12 months of award. Grants will be issued July 1, 2014.

QUALIFICATIONS

Must be a United States /U.S. Territory applicant/organization providing need to children in the U.S. or a U.S. territory.

Priority is given to projects with pediatric dentist involvement. If a pediatric dentist is not participating, a general dentist **must be** involved for funding consideration.

Applying organization must also have matching funds equal to the grant request dollar amount **at the time the application is submitted**. Matching funds can either be cash or in kind. (*HSHC does not restrict sources of matching support.*)

Qualified applicants/organizations include, **but are not limited to:**

1. Nonprofit organizations, *Includes but not limited to 501(c)(3) and 501 (c)(6)*
2. Local health jurisdictions
3. County health departments
4. Hospitals and clinics

5. State government agencies
6. Colleges/schools of dentistry
7. Colleges/schools of medicine (pediatric and family medicine departments only)
8. National, state and local dental societies
9. National, state and local pediatricians' groups
10. State and local gynecological/obstetric groups

POINTS TO CONSIDER

- When completing the Letter of Intent, keep in mind that reviewers are current practicing or academia pediatric dentists. The reviewers are well versed in the oral health care needs of children in general. **It is important to discuss your community child oral health care issues and needs, versus general child oral health care needs and statistics.**
- A priority of HSHC is to provide a Dental Home to children through our Access to Care Grant program. *The AAPD defines the Dental Home as the ongoing relationship between the dentist and the patient, inclusive of all aspects of oral health care, delivered in a comprehensive, continuously accessible, coordinated, and family-centered way.*

RESOURCES

There are many AAPD approved oral health educational resources, both print and video, available to grantees at little to no cost. These resources include:

- American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry: <http://www.aapd.org/publications/brochures/>
<http://www.aapd.org/policies/>; <http://www.mychildrensteeth.org/>;
<http://www.mychildrensteeth.org/assets/2/15/dentalhome.pdf>
- American Dental Association: <http://www.ada.org/public.aspx>
- American Academy of Pediatrics: <http://www2.aap.org/commpeps/doch/oralhealth/>
- National Maternal & Child Oral Health Resource Center: www.mchoralhealth.org
- Washington State's ABCD program: www.ABCD-Dental.org
- Michigan's Point of Light Program: www.pointsoflightonline.org),
- North Carolina's Baby Oral Health Program: www.bohp.unc.edu

REQUIREMENTS

To be considered for support, qualified applicants/organizations must:

- Complete an HSHC Access to Care Grant Application through the following website: www.GrantScorecard.com/AccessCare2014.htm
- Submit organization current year income and expense statement within the above website **(this is a one page document that states your organization's income, expenses and net assets. You must submit this document through the above website)**
- The application deadline is 11:59 p.m. CDT, Thursday, August 1, 2013

******A confirmation receipt is emailed at the time of submission to the applicant. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that materials have been submitted and confirmed through the online system by the published deadline.***

Applicants with the most competitive Letters of Intents will be asked to submit a full proposal to Healthy Smiles, Healthy Children. **Requests for full proposals will be issued to qualified applicants in November 2013.** Invited proposals will be due in December.

LIMITATIONS

HSHC awards a defined number of Access to Care Grants each year, based on available funds. Grant requests made by qualified applicants may be denied due to funding limitations. **Once made, all award decisions are final.** Denied applicants are encouraged to resubmit in the future.

If you have any questions regarding the above information please contact Tracey Schilligo, Grants & Corporate Relations Manager, at tschilligo@aapd.org or (312) 337-2169.

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