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MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 14, 2010

TO: Legislative Budget and Audit Committee

FROM: David Teal
Director

SUBJECT: Preparation for the September 17, 2010 LB&A Meeting

OMB submitted the following RPLs for consideration at the September 17, 2010 Legislative Budget and Audit Committee meeting. These RPLs, along with Legislative Finance comments, are posted on our web site at <http://www.legfin.state.ak.us/>

RPL#	Agency	Subject	Amount	Fund Source
05-1-0085	Education and Early Development	Education Jobs and Medicaid Assistance Act	\$23,540,399	Federal Receipts – Operating
45-1-1101 <i>Capital</i>	University of Alaska (Anchorage)	Request for ARRA Funding	\$585,997	ARRA Funds – Capital

cc: Senator Meyer
Representative Hawker
Representative Neuman
Representative Thomas
Representative Doogan
Representative Stoltze
Representative Tuck
Senator Hoffman
Senator Huggins

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**Department of Education & Early Development
Teaching and Learning Support Appropriation
Student and School Achievement Allocation**

Subject of RPL: H.R.1586 - Education Jobs and Medicaid Assistance Act, Public Law No. 111-226	ADN/RPL #: 05-1-0085
Amount requested: \$ 23,540,399	Appropriation Authority: Sec 1, Ch 41, SLA 10, Pg 12, Ln 9
Funding source: Federal Receipts (1002)- FY2011 Operating	Statutory Authority: AS 14.50.010 – .100

PURPOSE

Congress recently passed H.R. 1586, Public Law No. 111-226, referred to as the Education Jobs Bill (EduJobs) to provide assistance to States to save or create education jobs for the 2010 – 2011 school year and to provide for expenses related to personnel. Jobs funded under this program include those that provide educational and related services for early childhood, elementary and secondary education. Under federal law, the federal government will allocate these funds to local districts, whether a state applies for them or not. Consequently, our purpose is to encourage school districts to use these funds in a responsible, one-time manner.

Legislative Fiscal Analyst Comment: Although the funds authorized by this federal bill are commonly referred to as stimulus money, such references are misleading. The money does not carry the restrictions and reporting requirements that applied to ARRA funds, and will be received as regular Federal Receipts (fund code 1002) rather than as ARRA Stimulus 09 Funding (fund code 1212). The Student and School Achievement allocation already has \$155.8 million of federal receipt authority; this RPL would bring the total to \$179.3 million.

The above statement that “the federal government will allocate these funds to local districts, whether a state applies for them or not” is amplified in the background section, which states “If, within 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, a Governor has not submitted an approvable application, the Secretary shall provide for funds allocated to that State to be distributed to another entity or other entities in the State ... for support of elementary and secondary education, under such terms and conditions as the Secretary may establish, ...”.

PREVIOUS LEGISLATIVE CONSIDERATION

There was considerable legislative consideration of federal funds available to Alaska through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA 2009). In the final appropriation bill, Legislators included intent language designed to obtain assurances from Alaska school districts that the additional federal funds would be used for one-time purposes in order to avoid a funding cliff or an expectation that the state would continue these funds once the federal funds are no longer available. Alaska school districts have used the State Fiscal Stabilization Funds provided under ARRA 2009 in four broad categories: professional development for staff; increasing effectiveness and use of technology; classroom materials; and school systems upgrades and repairs. This new federal appropriation is a continuation of the economic stimulus efforts included in ARRA 2009.

BACKGROUND

The August 10, 2010, Education Jobs and Medicaid Assistance Act, provided additional resources for Alaska school districts. These funds may be used for compensation and benefits and other expenses, such

as support services, necessary to retain existing employees, to recall or rehire former employees, and to hire new employees in order to provide early childhood, elementary, or secondary educational and related services. It is important to note that the federal legislation allows for great funding flexibility in terms of ‘compensation, benefits, and other expenses’ at the school level. However, there are also limitations on the state’s ability to direct school districts on how to spend the funds, although states may encourage school districts to use these funds for specific purposes.

The new law also states that “If, within 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, a Governor has not submitted an approvable application, the Secretary shall provide for funds allocated to that State to be distributed to another entity or other entities in the State ... for support of elementary and secondary education, under such terms and conditions as the Secretary may establish, ...”.

The U.S. Department of Education is developing guidance for this language, however, it is clear that the federal government intends to allocate these funds to states, whether a governor applies or not. The Department of Education will emphasize the one-time nature of these funds and encourage schools districts to utilize these new funds in a similar manner in order to avoid a funding cliff.

TIMING ISSUES

The Education Jobs funding is expected to flow to states by September 25, and is to be spent in the 2010-2011 school year ending June 30, 2011, although the obligation period runs through September 30, 2012.

***Legislative Fiscal Analyst Comment:* The terms used in the above paragraph may be confusing. Our understanding is that the funding must be obligated during the current school year, but that districts have two years to spend the money.**

DEED was unable to respond to our question regarding the amount of ARRA funding that is available to school districts in FY11, but may have more information at the meeting.

BUDGETARY ISSUES

Alaska has qualified for this funding by maintaining its fiscal year 2011 funding effort in K-12 and public higher education at a level equal to or higher than fiscal year 2009. In FY11, the state projects allocating K-12 schools approximately \$1.084 billion, an increase of \$180 million since FY09; and in FY11 the state allocated general funds of approximately \$649.2 million to public higher education, an increase of \$45.8 million since FY09. Although the maintenance of effort includes both K-12 and public higher education funding requirements, all funds must be awarded to Local Education Agencies (LEAs) for the purposes stated above.

In addition, Alaska is currently approved for the State Fiscal Stabilization Funds (SFSF). This enables Alaska to be pre-approved for meeting the education-reform assurances and requirements under the Education Jobs bill.

School districts will be allocated funding through grants based on Title I formula, the same allocation used to distribute the SFSF funds.

***Legislative Fiscal Analyst Comment:* In response to our question regarding federal mandates for allocating funds to school districts, DEED stated that the department would like the same level of accountability as the previous State Fiscal Stabilization Funds (which totaled \$77.7 million in FY10) and would like assurances similar to those applied to ARRA funding (Ch. 17, SLA 2009, contained intent language stating “It is the intent of the legislature regarding P.L. 111-5 (American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009) that each school district receiving federal stimulus money through**

the Department of Education and Early Development be required to acknowledge, in a letter signed by the school superintendent and school board president or their designees, that the funding is a one-time addition and that the legislature makes no representation that it will replace the federal stimulus money when it expires.” It is not clear that the LB&A Committee can specify conditions or intent if it approves the RPL.

Our question was related to allocation of funding to school districts—not to restrictions on how districts could spend what is allocated. The department stated that the Title I formula is not mandated now, nor was it mandated for the original ARRA funding. DEED chose to allocate money based on a count of Title I (i.e., low income) students because they wanted to put the money where DEED believed it would have the greatest impact on improving student and school achievement. We have no comment on that goal, but noted that the stated purpose of the federal bill is “to provide assistance to States to save or create education jobs for the 2010 – 2011 school year and to provide for expenses related to personnel.”

We requested a spreadsheet showing the allocation of money to each district under the Title I method, with columns showing 1) student head count and 2) dollars per student. The sheet was not available by the deadline for posting the RPLs to the web.

The request regarding allocation was in anticipation of Committee interest. It is not clear that the Committee can specify an allocation method.

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September 9, 2010

To all Superintendents:

The state has submitted an application for \$23,540,399 in federal funds intended to support jobs in the public schools. The Department of Education & Early Development will submit a request to the Legislative Budget and Audit Committee for authority to receive and expend these funds.

These are one-time funds from the federal government. The state incurs no funding obligation of its own. School districts will be advised to spend the funds accordingly and not create a "funding cliff" in which districts incur obligations they cannot maintain after the funds run out.

States are allowed to use 2 percent of the funds for program administration, which involves monitoring, reporting, and processing districts' requests for reimbursement.

States are not allowed to direct school districts' use of the funds. However, EED anticipates that we will require budgets and budget narratives from districts, and assurances from them that they understand the one-time nature of the funds and will fulfill their obligations under federal laws.

According to initial guidance from the U.S. Department of Education, districts must use the funds at the school level in the current school year. However, unspent funds may be carried over through September 30, 2012. Districts that receive the funds do not need to have incurred layoffs.

According to federal guidance, school districts must use the funds only for compensation, benefits and other expenses -- such as support services -- necessary to retain existing employees, to recall or rehire former employees, and to hire new employees, in order to provide early childhood, elementary or secondary educational services and related services.

Alaska intends to distribute the funds to districts based on their proportion of federal Title I funding, the method used for distributing education stabilization funds in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. An estimate of districts' allocations is attached.

Sincerely,



Larry LeDoux
Commissioner

In the Senate of the United States,

August 5, 2010.

Resolved, That the bill from the House of Representatives (H.R. 1586) entitled “An Act to modernize the air traffic control system, improve the safety, reliability, and availability of transportation by air in the United States, provide for modernization of the air traffic control system, reauthorize the Federal Aviation Administration, and for other purposes.”, do pass with the following

**SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE AMENDMENT TO
SENATE AMENDMENT:**

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted, insert the following:

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SHORT TITLE

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SECTION 1. This Act may be cited as the

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TITLE I

EDUCATION JOBS FUND

EDUCATION JOBS FUNDS

SEC. 101. *There are authorized to be appropriated and there are appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise obligated for necessary expenses for an Education Jobs Fund, \$10,000,000,000: Provided, That the amount under this heading shall be administered under the terms and conditions of sections 14001 through 14013 and title XV of division A of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Public Law 111-5) except as follows:*

(1) ALLOCATION OF FUNDS.—

(A) *Funds appropriated under this heading shall be available only for allocation by the Secretary of Education (in this heading referred to as the Secretary) in accordance with subsections (a), (b), (d), (e), and (f) of section 14001 of division A of Public Law 111-5 and subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, except that the amount reserved under such subsection (b) shall not exceed \$1,000,000 and such subsection (f) shall be applied by substituting one year for two years.*

(B) *Prior to allocating funds to States under section 14001(d) of division A of Public Law 111-5, the Secretary shall allocate 0.5 per-*

1 *cent to the Secretary of the Interior for schools*
2 *operated or funded by the Bureau of Indian Af-*
3 *airs on the basis of the schools' respective needs*
4 *for activities consistent with this heading under*
5 *such terms and conditions as the Secretary of the*
6 *Interior may determine.*

7 (2) *RESERVATION.*—*A State that receives an al-*
8 *location of funds appropriated under this heading*
9 *may reserve not more than 2 percent for the adminis-*
10 *trative costs of carrying out its responsibilities with*
11 *respect to those funds.*

12 (3) *AWARDS TO LOCAL EDUCATIONAL AGEN-*
13 *CIES.*—

14 (A) *Except as specified in paragraph (2),*
15 *an allocation of funds to a State shall be used*
16 *only for awards to local educational agencies for*
17 *the support of elementary and secondary edu-*
18 *cation in accordance with paragraph (5) for the*
19 *2010–2011 school year (or, in the case of re-*
20 *allocations made under section 14001(f) of divi-*
21 *sion A of Public Law 111–5, for the 2010–2011*
22 *or the 2011–2012 school year).*

23 (B) *Funds used to support elementary and*
24 *secondary education shall be distributed through*
25 *a State's primary elementary and secondary*

1 *funding formulae or based on local educational*
2 *agencies' relative shares of funds under part A of*
3 *title I of the Elementary and Secondary Edu-*
4 *cation Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6311 et seq.) for*
5 *the most recent fiscal year for which data are*
6 *available.*

7 (C) Subsections (a) and (b) of section 14002
8 of division A of Public Law 111-5 shall not
9 apply to funds appropriated under this heading.

10 (4) COMPLIANCE WITH EDUCATION REFORM AS-
11 SURANCES.—*For purposes of awarding funds appro-*
12 *priated under this heading, any State that has an ap-*
13 *proved application for Phase II of the State Fiscal*
14 *Stabilization Fund that was submitted in accordance*
15 *with the application notice published in the Federal*
16 *Register on November 17, 2009 (74 Fed. Reg. 59142)*
17 *shall be deemed to be in compliance with subsection*
18 *(b) and paragraphs (2) through (5) of subsection (d)*
19 *of section 14005 of division A of Public Law 111-5.*

20 (5) REQUIREMENT TO USE FUNDS TO RETAIN OR
21 CREATE EDUCATION JOBS.—*Notwithstanding section*
22 *14003(a) of division A of Public Law 111-5, funds*
23 *awarded to local educational agencies under para-*
24 *graph (3)—*

1 (A) may be used only for compensation and
2 benefits and other expenses, such as support serv-
3 ices, necessary to retain existing employees, to
4 recall or rehire former employees, and to hire
5 new employees, in order to provide early child-
6 hood, elementary, or secondary educational and
7 related services; and

8 (B) may not be used for general adminis-
9 trative expenses or for other support services ex-
10 penditures as those terms were defined by the
11 National Center for Education Statistics in its
12 Common Core of Data as of the date of enact-
13 ment of this Act.

14 (6) *PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS FOR RAINY-*
15 *DAY FUNDS OR DEBT RETIREMENT.*—A State that re-
16 ceives an allocation may not use such funds, directly
17 or indirectly, to—

18 (A) establish, restore, or supplement a
19 rainy-day fund;

20 (B) supplant State funds in a manner that
21 has the effect of establishing, restoring, or
22 supplementing a rainy-day fund;

23 (C) reduce or retire debt obligations in-
24 curred by the State; or

1 (D) supplant State funds in a manner that
2 has the effect of reducing or retiring debt obliga-
3 tions incurred by the State.

4 (7) DEADLINE FOR AWARD.—The Secretary shall
5 award funds appropriated under this heading not
6 later than 45 days after the date of the enactment of
7 this Act to States that have submitted applications
8 meeting the requirements applicable to funds under
9 this heading. The Secretary shall not require informa-
10 tion in applications beyond what is necessary to de-
11 termine compliance with applicable provisions of law.

12 (8) ALTERNATE DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS.—If,
13 within 30 days after the date of the enactment of this
14 Act, a Governor has not submitted an approvable ap-
15 plication, the Secretary shall provide for funds allo-
16 cated to that State to be distributed to another entity
17 or other entities in the State (notwithstanding section
18 14001(e) of division A of Public Law 111–5) for sup-
19 port of elementary and secondary education, under
20 such terms and conditions as the Secretary may es-
21 tablish, provided that all terms and conditions that
22 apply to funds appropriated under this heading shall
23 apply to such funds distributed to such entity or enti-
24 ties. No distribution shall be made to a State under
25 this paragraph, however, unless the Secretary has de-

1 *terminated (on the basis of such information as may be*
2 *available) that the requirements of clauses (i), (ii), or*
3 *(iii) of paragraph 10(A) are likely to be met, notwith-*
4 *standing the lack of an application from the Governor*
5 *of that State.*

6 (9) *LOCAL EDUCATIONAL AGENCY APPLICA-*
7 *TION.—Section 442 of the General Education Provi-*
8 *sions Act shall not apply to a local educational agen-*
9 *cy that has previously submitted an application to*
10 *the State under title XIV of division A of Public Law*
11 *111–5. The assurances provided under that applica-*
12 *tion shall continue to apply to funds awarded under*
13 *this heading.*

14 (10) *MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT.—*

15 (A) *Except as provided in paragraph (8),*
16 *the Secretary shall not allocate funds to a State*
17 *under paragraph (1) unless the Governor of the*
18 *State provides an assurance to the Secretary*
19 *that—*

20 (i) *for State fiscal year 2011, the State*
21 *will maintain State support for elementary*
22 *and secondary education (in the aggregate*
23 *or on the basis of expenditures per pupil)*
24 *and for public institutions of higher edu-*
25 *cation (not including support for capital*

1 *projects or for research and development or*
2 *tuition and fees paid by students) at not*
3 *less than the level of such support for each*
4 *of the two categories, respectively, for State*
5 *fiscal year 2009;*

6 *(ii) for State fiscal year 2011, the*
7 *State will maintain State support for ele-*
8 *mentary and secondary education and for*
9 *public institutions of higher education (not*
10 *including support for capital projects or for*
11 *research and development or tuition and*
12 *fees paid by students) at a percentage of the*
13 *total revenues available to the State that is*
14 *equal to or greater than the percentage pro-*
15 *vided for each of the two categories, respec-*
16 *tively, for State fiscal year 2010; or*

17 *(iii) in the case of a State in which*
18 *State tax collections for calendar year 2009*
19 *were less than State tax collections for cal-*
20 *endar year 2006, for State fiscal year 2011*
21 *the State will maintain State support for*
22 *elementary and secondary education (in the*
23 *aggregate) and for public institutions of*
24 *higher education (not including support for*
25 *capital projects or for research and develop-*

1 *ment or tuition and fees paid by stu-*
2 *dents)—*

3 *(I) at not less than the level of*
4 *such support for each of the two cat-*
5 *egories, respectively, for State fiscal*
6 *year 2006; or*

7 *(II) at a percentage of the total*
8 *revenues available to the State that is*
9 *equal to or greater than the percentage*
10 *provided for each of the two categories,*
11 *respectively, for State fiscal year 2006.*

12 *(B) Section 14005(d)(1) and subsections (a)*
13 *through (c) of section 14012 of division A of*
14 *Public Law 111–5 shall not apply to funds ap-*
15 *propriated under this heading.*

16 (11) *ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR THE*
17 *STATE OF TEXAS.—The following requirements shall*
18 *apply to the State of Texas:*

19 (A) *Notwithstanding paragraph (3)(B),*
20 *funds used to support elementary and secondary*
21 *education shall be distributed based on local edu-*
22 *cational agencies' relative shares of funds under*
23 *part A of title I of the Elementary and Sec-*
24 *ondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6311*
25 *et seq.) for the most recent fiscal year which data*

1 *are available. Funds distributed pursuant to this*
2 *paragraph shall be used to supplement and not*
3 *supplant State formula funding that is distrib-*
4 *uted on a similar basis to part A of title I of the*
5 *Elementary and Secondary Education Act of*
6 *1965 (20 U.S.C. 6311 et seq.).*

7 *(B) The Secretary shall not allocate funds*
8 *to the State of Texas under paragraph (1) unless*
9 *the Governor of the State provides an assurance*
10 *to the Secretary that the State will for fiscal*
11 *years 2011, 2012, and 2013 maintain State sup-*
12 *port for elementary and secondary education at*
13 *a percentage of the total revenues available to the*
14 *State that is equal to or greater than the per-*
15 *centage provided for such purpose for fiscal year*
16 *2011 prior to the enactment of this Act.*


17 *(C) Notwithstanding paragraph (8), no dis-*
18 *tribution shall be made to the State of Texas or*
19 *local education agencies therein unless the Gov-*
20 *ernor of Texas makes an assurance to the Sec-*
21 *retary that the requirements in paragraphs*
22 *(11)(A) and (11)(B) will be met, notwith-*
23 *standing the lack of an application from the*
24 *Governor of Texas.*

STATE OF ALASKA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
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DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

IN ACCORDANCE WITH AS 44.17.010, I, SEAN PARNELL, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF ALASKA, DELEGATE THE AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY FOR APPLYING FOR AND ADMINISTERING MONEY AVAILABLE FROM THE FEDERAL TITLE I, EDUCATION JOBS FUND AUTHORIZED UNDER P.L. 111-226 (AUGUST 10, 2010) TO THE HONORABLE LARRY LEDOUX, COMMISSIONER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND EARLY DEVELOPMENT.

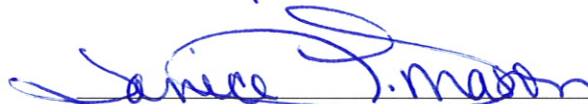
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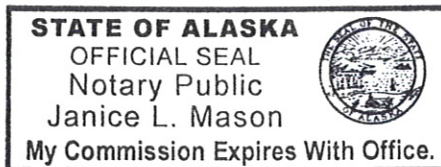
SEAN PARNELL
GOVERNOR

SIGNED AND SWORN TO before me this 8th day of September, 2010.

[NOTARY SEAL]



Notary Public in and for the
State of Alaska
My commission expires: with office



University of Alaska

Subject of RPL: Request for ARRA Funding	ADN/RPL #: 45-1-1101
Amount Requested: \$585,997	Appropriation Authority: Sec. 4, Ch. 17, SLA 2009, Page 9, Lines 12-16
Funding Source: Federal Stimulus: ARRA 2009 – Capital	Statutory Authority: AS 14.40.40

PURPOSE

The requested federal stimulus receipt authority will allow the University of Alaska to accept the following award:

UAA-NIH: Educating a Health Care Research Workforce in Alaska to Reduce Health Disparities in the amount of \$585,997 for the budget period 9/01/2010 through 8/31/2011, award 5P20MD005079-02.

PREVIOUS LEGISLATIVE CONSIDERATION

This is year two of a multi-year federal award received after August 20, 2010 and has not been requested as part of the University's budget.

TIMING ISSUES

On February 17, 2009, President Obama signed into law the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, which authorized short-term federal spending, designed to stimulate the American economy. Federal stimulus receipt authority was not included in the FY10 budget because ARRA funding was not available for application until February 17, 2009.

BUDGETARY ISSUES

This project directly aligned with the University of Alaska's long term plans and mission for the University of Alaska Anchorage: "The mission of the University of Alaska Anchorage is to discover and disseminate knowledge through teaching, research, engagement, and creative expression,"

No State General Funds will be used, nor is any match required. The federal stimulus funds will be expended during the period FY11 through FY12. This request adds an additional \$585,997 to the University's existing federal economic stimulus authority for competitive, discretionary, and incentive grants capital project appropriation contained within Sec. 4, Ch. 17, SLA 2009.

A copy of the award document is attached.

Legislative Fiscal Analyst Comment: This RPL requests approval to spend additional stimulus funds received through a competitive process; no stimulus funds will be diverted from other Alaska projects and no general funds are required. As of August 20, 2010, the University of Alaska has been awarded and the Legislative Budget & Audit Committee has approved 67 grants totaling \$192.0 million in stimulus funds for capital, plus \$5.2 million for operating related to Federal College Work Study and Federal Pell Grants. There are also 36 proposals pending (totaling \$61.1 million) for federal ARRA funds.

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Legislative Finance Contact: Danith Watts, (907) 465-5435



Department of Health and Human Services
National Institutes of Health
NATIONAL CENTER ON MINORITY HEALTH AND HEALTH DISPARITIES

THIS AWARD IS ISSUED UNDER THE AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT OF 2009 AND IS SUBJECT TO SPECIAL HHS TERMS AND CONDITIONS AS REFERENCED IN SECTION III

Grant Number: 5P20MD005079-02

Principal Investigator(s):
DENNIS P VALENZENO, PHD

Project Title: Educating a Health Care Research Workforce in Alaska to Reduce Health Disparities

DIRECTOR GRANTS & CONTRACTS
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Award e-mailed to: ayosp@uaa.alaska.edu

Budget Period: 09/01/2010 – 08/31/2011
Project Period: 09/20/2009 – 08/31/2011

Dear Business Official:

The National Institutes of Health hereby awards a grant in the amount of \$585,997 (see "Award Calculation" in Section I and "Terms and Conditions" in Section III) to UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA ANCHORAGE in support of the above referenced project. This award is pursuant to the authority of and is subject to the requirements of this statute and regulation and of other referenced, incorporated or attached terms and conditions.

Acceptance of this award including the "Terms and Conditions" is acknowledged by the grantee when funds are drawn down or otherwise obtained from the grant payment system.

Each publication, press release or other document that cites results from NIH grant-supported research must include an acknowledgment of NIH grant support and disclaimer such as "The project described was supported by Award Number P20MD005079 from the National Center On Minority Health And Health Disparities. The content is solely the responsibility of the authors and does not necessarily represent the official views of the National Center On Minority Health And Health Disparities or the National Institutes of Health."

Award recipients are required to comply with the NIH Public Access Policy. This includes submission to PubMed Central (PMC), upon acceptance for publication, an electronic version of a final peer-reviewed, manuscript resulting from research supported in whole or in part, with direct costs from National Institutes of Health. The author's final peer-reviewed manuscript is defined as the final version accepted for journal publication, and includes all modifications from the publishing peer review process. For additional information, please visit <http://publicaccess.nih.gov/>.

Award recipients must promote objectivity in research by establishing standards to ensure that the design, conduct and reporting of research funded under NIH-funded awards are not biased by a conflicting financial interest of an Investigator. Investigator is defined as the Principal Investigator and any other person who is responsible for the design, conduct, or reporting of NIH-funded research or proposed research, including the Investigator's spouse and dependent children. Awardees must have a written administrative process to identify and manage financial conflict of interest and must inform Investigators of the conflict of interest policy and of the Investigators' responsibilities. Prior to expenditure of these awarded funds, the Awardee must report to the NIH Awarding Component the existence of a conflicting interest and within 60 days of any new conflicting interests identified after the initial report. Awardees must comply with these and all other aspects of 42 CFR Part 50, Subpart F. These requirements also apply to subgrantees, contractors, or collaborators engaged by the Awardee under this award. The NIH website <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/policy/coi/index.htm> provides additional information.

If you have any questions about this award, please contact the individual(s) referenced in Section IV.

Sincerely yours,

Priscilla Grant
Grants Management Officer
NATIONAL CENTER ON MINORITY HEALTH AND HEALTH DISPARITIES

Additional information follows

SECTION I – AWARD DATA – 5P20MD005079-02**Award Calculation (U.S. Dollars)**

Salaries and Wages	\$202,922
Fringe Benefits	\$131,236
Personnel Costs (Subtotal)	\$334,158
Supplies	\$14,680
Travel Costs	\$9,000
Other Costs	\$92,160

Federal Direct Costs	\$449,998
Federal F&A Costs	\$135,999
Approved Budget	\$585,997
Federal Share	\$585,997
TOTAL FEDERAL AWARD AMOUNT	\$585,997

AMOUNT OF THIS ACTION (FEDERAL SHARE)	\$585,997
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SUMMARY TOTALS FOR ALL YEARS		
YR	THIS AWARD	CUMULATIVE TOTALS
2	\$585,997	\$585,997

Fiscal Information:

CFDA Number:	93.701
EIN:	1926000147B2
Document Number:	PMD005079Z
Fiscal Year:	2010

	IC	CAN	2010
MD		8484859	\$585,997

NIH Administrative Data:**PCC:** A2 / **OC:** 414E / **Processed:** GRANTP 08/20/2010

SECTION II – PAYMENT/HOTLINE INFORMATION – 5P20MD005079-02

For payment and HHS Office of Inspector General Hotline information, see the NIH Home Page at <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/policy/awardconditions.htm>

SECTION III – TERMS AND CONDITIONS – 5P20MD005079-02

This award is based on the application submitted to, and as approved by, NIH on the above-titled project and is subject to the terms and conditions incorporated either directly or by reference in the following:

- The grant program legislation and program regulation cited in this Notice of Award.
- Conditions on activities and expenditure of funds in other statutory requirements, such as those included in appropriations acts.
- 45 CFR Part 74 or 45 CFR Part 92 as applicable.
- The NIH Grants Policy Statement, including addenda in effect as of the beginning date of the budget period.
- This award notice, INCLUDING THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS CITED BELOW.

(See NIH Home Page at 'http://grants.nih.gov/grants/policy/awardconditions.htm' for certain references cited above.)

ARRA TERM OF AWARD: This award is subject to the HHS-Approved Standard Terms and Conditions for the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. Approved text for NIH awards can be found at http://grants.nih.gov/grants/policy/NIH_HHS_ARRA_Award_Terms.pdf. Recipients should pay particular attention to the special quarterly reporting requirements required by Section 1512 of the Recovery Act as specified in Term #2.

In accordance with P.L. 110-161, compliance with the NIH Public Access Policy is now mandatory. For more information, see NOT-OD-08-033 and the Public Access website: <http://publicaccess.nih.gov/>.

This award represents the final year of the competitive segment for this grant. Therefore, see the NIH Grants Policy Statement (12/1/2003 version) for closeout requirements at: http://grants.nih.gov/grants/policy/nihgps_2003/NIHGPS_Part8.htm#_Toc54600151.

A final Financial Status Report (FSR) (SF 269) must be submitted through the eRA Commons (Commons) within 90 days of the expiration date; see NIH Guide Notice [NOT-OD-07-078](#) for additional information on this electronic submission requirement. The final FSR must indicate the exact balance of unobligated funds and may not reflect any unliquidated obligations. There must be no discrepancies between the final FSR and the Payment Management System's (PMS) Federal Cash Transaction Report (SF-272).

Furthermore, unless an application for competitive renewal is submitted, additional grant closeout documents consisting of a Final Invention Statement and Certification form (HHS 568), (not applicable to training, construction, conference or cancer education grants) and a final progress report must also be submitted within 90 days of the expiration date.

NIH also strongly encourages electronic submission of the final progress report and the final invention statement through the Closeout feature in the Commons. If the final progress report and final invention statement are not submitted electronically, copies of the HHS 568 form may be downloaded at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/forms.htm>.

Submissions of the final progress report and HHS 568 may be e-mailed as PDF attachments to the NIH Central Closeout Center at: deascentralized@od.nih.gov

Paper submissions of the final progress report and the HHS 568 may be faxed to the NIH Central Closeout Center at 301-480-2304 or mailed to the NIH Central Closeout Center at the following address:

NIH/OD/OER/DEAS
Central Closeout Center
6705 Rockledge Drive, Room 2207
Bethesda, MD 20892-7987 (for regular or U.S. Postal Service Express mail)
Bethesda, MD 20817 (for other courier/express mail delivery only)

The final progress report should include, at a minimum, a summary of progress toward the achievement of the originally stated aims, a list of significant results (positive and/or negative), a list of publications and the grant number. If human subjects were included in the research, the final progress report should also address the following:

- Report on the inclusion of gender and minority study subjects (using the gender and minority Inclusion Enrollment Form as provided in the PHS 2590 and available at <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/forms.htm>).
- Where appropriate, indicate whether children were involved in the study or how the study was relevant for conditions affecting children (see "Public Policy Requirements and Objectives-Requirements for Inclusiveness in Research Design-Inclusion of Children as Subjects in Clinical Research" in the PHS 398 at URL http://grants.nih.gov/grants/policy/nihgps_2003/NIHGPS_Part5.htm#_Toc54600090)
- Describe any data, research materials (such as cell lines, DNA probes, animal models), protocols, software, or other information resulting from the research that is available to be shared with other investigators and how it may be accessed.

Note, if this is the final year of a competitive segment due to the transfer of the grant to another institution, then not all the requirements stated above are applicable. Specifically a Final Progress Report is not required. However, a final FSR is required and should be submitted electronically as noted above. In addition, if not already submitted, the Final Invention Statement is required and should be sent directly to the assigned Grants Management Specialist.

Treatment of Program Income:
Additional Costs

SECTION IV – MD Special Terms and Conditions – 5P20MD005079-02

INFORMATION ARRA funds provided under this award are not available for carryover into any award funded by non-ARRA funds. Any ARRA funding remaining at the end of the project period for this award must be reported as an unobligated balance.

RESTRICTION No funds from this award may be rebudgeted for pilot research projects.

REQUIREMENT This award is subject to the conditions set forth in RFA-MD-09-007, Recovery Act Limited Competition: NCMHD Exploratory Centers of Excellence (P20), NIH Guide to Grants and Contracts, May 12, 2009, which is hereby incorporated by reference as special terms and conditions of this award.

Copies of this RFA may be accessed at the following internet address:
<http://www.nih.gov/grants/guide/index.html>

Copies may also be obtained from the Grants Management Contact indicated in the terms of award.

REQUIREMENT Use of humans and animals in any new activities must be requested prior to the start of the activity and must be approved in writing in advance by the NCMHD. See NOT-MD-08-002, "Guidance and Clarification on NCMHD Policy on Prior Approval for Subprojects and Pilot Projects Involving Human Subjects or Vertebrate Animals," NIH Guide to Grants and Contracts, April 29, 2008, which is hereby incorporated by reference as special terms and conditions of this award.

Copies of this Notice may be accessed at the following internet address: <http://www.nih.gov/grants/guide/index.html>

Copies may also be obtained from the Grants Management Contact indicated in the terms of award.

INFORMATION Honoraria are unallowable when the primary intent is to confer distinction on, or to symbolize respect, esteem, or admiration for, the recipient of the honorarium. A payment for services rendered, such as a speaker's fee under a conference grant, is allowable. See http://grants2.nih.gov/grants/policy/nihgps_2003/NIHGPS_Part6.htm

INFORMATION Stipends and payments made for educational assistance may not be paid from NIH research grant funds even when they would appear to benefit the research project. Compensation must be in accordance with organizational policies consistently applied to both federally and non-federally supported activities and must be supported by acceptable accounting records. Under these conditions, the funds provided as compensation for services rendered are not considered stipend supplementation; they are allowable charges to Federal grants, including PHS research grants. (Stipends are payments made to an individual under a fellowship or training grant in accordance with preestablished levels to provide for the individual's living expenses during the period of training. A stipend is not considered compensation for the services expected of an employee.)

INFORMATION Regarding changes in scope, attention is called to the NIH Grants Policy Statement (December 2003). The Change in Scope section is found at http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/policy/nihgps_2003/NIHGPS_Part7.htm#_Changes_in_Project. The grantee must obtain prior approval from the NCMHD for a change in the direction, type of research or training, or other areas that constitute a significant change from the aims, objectives, or purposes of the approved project. Specific examples are provided.

INFORMATION Regarding allowability of selected items of cost, attention is called to the NIH Grants Policy Statement (December 2003). The Selected Items of Cost section is found at http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/policy/nihgps_2003/NIHGPS_Part6.htm#_Toc54600125.

INFORMATION None of the funds in this award shall be used to pay the salary of an individual at a rate in excess of the current salary cap. See current salary cap levels at the following URL: http://grants.nih.gov/grants/policy/salcap_summary.htm

INFORMATION This award includes funds awarded for consortium activity. Consortia are to be established and administered as described in the NIH Grants Policy Statement (NIH GPS). The referenced section of the NIH GPS is available at: http://grants.nih.gov/grants/policy/nihgps_2003/NIHGPS_Part12.htm - _Toc54600251. See "Consortium Agreements" under Part II, Subpart B: Terms and Conditions for Specific Types of Grants, Grantees, and Activities for specific responsibilities and requirements for grantees and consortium participants, which are applicable to and are a term and condition of this award.

INFORMATION For administrative and management concerns, contact the Grants Management Specialist, Long Nguyen, at (301) 594-8688. For programmatic and scientific concerns, contact the Program Director, Dr. Derrick Tabor, at (301) 594-8950.

INFORMATION NCMHD staff have determined that the application as submitted is within the approved scope of work. Since the competing award for this project was issued after May 8, 1996, this award reflects total costs based upon (1) the categorical direct cost levels established for this budget period and (2) the negotiated F&A rate in effect for this budget period at the time of the competing award. Funds may be rebudgeted between direct costs and F&A costs, consistent with OMB Circular A-21, and institutional and policy requirements for prior approval.

INFORMATION The requested budget was considered and determined not to represent significant rebudgeting. Therefore, categorical amounts reflect the direct and facilities and administrative cost (F&A) levels previously recommended for the current year. Funds may be rebudgeted between direct costs and F&A costs, consistent with applicable cost principles and institutional and policy requirements for prior approval.

REQUIREMENT All conference materials (promotional materials, agenda, publications and internet sites) related to this project must include an acknowledgment of NIH grant support and a disclaimer stating the following:

"Funding for this conference was made possible (in part) by P20MD005079 from the National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities. The views expressed in written conference materials or publications and by speakers and moderators do not necessarily reflect the official policies of the Department of Health and Human Services; nor does mention by trade names, commercial practices, or organizations imply endorsement by the U.S. Government."

INFORMATION Funds awarded for direct cost compensation for Graduate Research Assistants are limited in accordance with the NIH policy. See current cap level at the following URL: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-07-057.html>

STAFF CONTACTS

The Grants Management Specialist is responsible for the negotiation, award and administration of this project and for interpretation of Grants Administration policies and provisions. The Program Official is responsible for the scientific, programmatic and technical aspects of this project. These individuals work together in overall project administration. Prior approval requests (signed by an Authorized Organizational Representative) should be submitted in writing to the Grants Management Specialist. Requests may be made via e-mail.

Grants Management Specialist: Long Nguyen
Email: nguyen1@mail.nih.gov **Phone:** 301-594-8688

Program Official: Derrick C. Tabor
Email: tabord@ncmhd.nih.gov **Phone:** 301-594-8950 **Fax:** 301-480-4049

SPREADSHEET SUMMARY

GRANT NUMBER: 5P20MD005079-02

INSTITUTION: UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA ANCHORAGE

Budget	Year 2
Salaries and Wages	\$202,922
Fringe Benefits	\$131,236
Personnel Costs (Subtotal)	\$334,158
Supplies	\$14,680
Travel Costs	\$9,000
Other Costs	\$92,160
TOTAL FEDERAL DC	\$449,998
TOTAL FEDERAL F&A	\$135,999
TOTAL COST	\$585,997

Facilities and Administrative Costs	Year 2
F&A Cost Rate 1	34%
F&A Cost Base 1	\$399,998
F&A Costs 1	\$135,999

Elizabeth (Lisa) Pettit

From: Dennis Valenzeno
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2009 10:33 AM
To: Tana Myrstol; MARYANN KNIFFEN; Karol Weatherby
Cc: Elizabeth (Lisa) Pettit
Subject: RE: Heads up; get ready for a BIG grant coming your way.

*Summary
of Project*

Here's the summary from the Specific Aims of the overall Exploratory Center of Excellence proposal. Is this sufficient for the scope of work that you needed? – DPV

The Alaska Center of Excellence: Research Pathways into Health Professions (The Center) will enable the training of the next generation of Alaskan's biomedical research workforce and will develop a cadre of healthcare practitioners who assiduously incorporate evidence-based principles into their practice as a result of training in research and the scientific method. That training begins in high school, or earlier, and to be successful in encouraging minority students to engage in biomedical research or to healthcare careers that serve underserved populations, provides a continuous pathway through completion of training. Several excellent pathway programs already exist at the University of Alaska Anchorage (UAA), the health education campus of the University of Alaska system, that promote these ends, but there is incomplete coordination among these programs. Thus, the broad overall goal of this proposal is to coordinate research and training for biomedical research among the many and varied health career pathways programs at UAA that interface seamlessly with programs in surrounding K-12 schools and healthcare institutions.

To that end the Specific Aims of this proposal are to:

SA 1. Build relationships with internal partners at UAA to support undergraduate research in biomedical and health career education programs, and with partner institutions in the U-Med District and throughout the state to allow for extension and coordination of these efforts beyond UAA.

STUDENT ORIENTED AIMS:

SA 2. Act as a front door for students interested in health careers.

SA 3. Assist in the development of new programs that lead students, particularly those from disadvantaged or minority backgrounds toward health career training that includes biomedical research.

RESEARCH OPPORTUNITY DEVELOPMENT AIMS:

SA 4. Promote expansion of opportunities for training and education in biomedical research by encouraging and supporting writing and submission of new biomedical research proposals.

From: Tana Myrstol
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2009 9:13 AM
To: MARYANN KNIFFEN; Karol Weatherby
Cc: Dennis Valenzeno; Elizabeth (Lisa) Pettit
Subject: RE: Heads up; get ready for a BIG grant coming your way.

Thanks Maryann. Can you send over the IPTF and the Program Announcement from the agency? Do you have a draft budget justification and scope of work so we can see the whole picture?

Many thanks,
Tana

From: MARYANN KNIFFEN
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2009 9:04 AM
To: Tana Myrstol; Karol Weatherby

6/23/2009

Cc: Dennis Valenzano

Subject: Heads up; get ready for a BIG grant coming your way.

Importance: High

A big grant will be submitted to OSP very soon. The RFA should be ready to FedEx next Monday 6/29 (hard copy submission only) to arrive at the funding agency on July 1.

I'm attaching the draft budget forms here for your review. Is there anything that we need to change at this point? Please help catch any errors or corrections as the PIs continue to crunch the numbers and we create the proposal docs.

Thanks so much!

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