Purpose of Solicitation: The New York State Department of Health is announcing a Solicitation of Interest for funding in the amount of approximately $581,068 to implement the Comprehensive Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention (CAPP) initiative to serve youth in ZIP codes 14605, 14609 and 14621 in Monroe County. The anticipated period of funding will be from 7/1/2014 through 12/31/2015. Funding includes up to $75,000, which is available for organizations that are approved under Article 28 of the Public Health Law to provide family planning services to utilize communication technologies appropriate for adolescents to improve access and decrease barriers to reproductive health and family planning services in the target communities.

Description of Program: The focus of the CAPP initiative is to decrease the incidence of adolescent pregnancy through the establishment of a comprehensive and coordinated approach to reduce the risk of initial and repeat pregnancies, STDs and HIV/AIDS rates among New York State adolescents and decrease the racial, ethnic, and geographic disparities that are related to adolescent sexual health outcomes. CAPP is a multi-dimensional adolescent pregnancy prevention model that includes four required core strategies: implement comprehensive, evidence-based, and medically accurate sexuality education; ensure access to comprehensive reproductive healthcare and family planning services for teens; expand educational, social, recreational, vocational and economic opportunities for teens; and promote a sustainable local community effort to improve the environment for adolescents, and reduce health disparities related to race, ethnicity, socioeconomic status and geography.

Eligible Organizations: Organizations eligible to submit a letter of interest include: state and local government entities such as city and county health departments, school districts, and youth bureaus; and from not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organizations, including, but not limited to, Article 28 healthcare providers, community-based health and human service providers, and local health and human service agencies.

Due Date: If an organization is interested in being considered for funding, a letter of interest must be received by 5:00 pm on or before February 7, 2014 via e-mail to: capp@health.state.ny.us. Eligible organizations that submit a letter of interest by the due date may need to respond to a comprehensive adolescent pregnancy prevention Request for Applications (RFA) targeted to serve youth in ZIP codes 14605, 14609 and 14621 with release date to be determined. Please submit any questions via e-mail to capp@health.state.ny.us prior to January 31, 2014.

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