

93.435

**INNOVATIVE STATE PUBLIC HEALTH STRATEGIES TO PREVENT AND  
MANAGE DIABETES AND HEART DISEASE AND STROKE**

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**State Project/Program:** **NC COMMUNITY AND CLINICAL CONNECTIONS FOR PREVENTION AND  
HEALTH**

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**U. S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION**

**Federal Authorization:** Public Health Service Act, Title 42, Section 301(a) and 317.

**State Authorization:** Section 301(a) and 317(k) Public Health Service Act, 42 U.S. Code 241(a) and  
247b (k) and Title IV Section 4002 Prevention and Public Health Fund.  
Public Health Service Act.

**N. C. Department of Health and Human Services  
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address: [https://www.ncdhhs.gov/about/administrative-  
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The auditor should not consider the Supplement to be “safe harbor” for identifying audit  
procedures to apply in a particular engagement, but the auditor should be prepared to justify departures  
from the suggested procedures. The auditor can consider the supplement a “safe harbor” for  
identification of compliance requirements to be tested if the auditor performs reasonable procedures  
to ensure that the requirements in the Supplement are current.

The grantor agency may elect to review audit working papers to determine that audit tests are  
adequate.

Auditors may request documentation of monitoring visits by the State Agencies.

This compliance supplement must be used in conjunction with the OMB 2023 Compliance  
Supplement which will be issued in the summer. This includes “Part 3 - Compliance  
Requirements,” for the types that apply, “Part 6 - Internal Control,” and “Part 4 - Agency Program”  
requirements if the Agency issued guidance for a specific program. The OMB Compliance  
Supplement is Section A of the State Compliance Supplement.

## **I. PROGRAM OBJECTIVES**

CFDA 93.435: The purpose of this program is to design, test, and evaluate novel approaches to addressing a set of evidence-based strategies aimed at managing diabetes and heart disease and stroke.

## **II. PROGRAM PROCEDURES**

The Community and Clinical Connections for Prevention and Health (CCCPH) Branch, through a contract with North Carolina Community Health Center Association, will create or support existing Diabetes Care Teams and workflows at eight Community Health Centers to increase participation and retention in Diabetes Prevention Programs and Diabetes Self-Management Education and Support services to improve the health outcomes of people at risk for or with diabetes. This contract will support 1 FTE Project Manager, 1 FTE Social Determinants of Health Coordinator, and 1 FTE Quality Nurse. These positions will work with eight Community Health Centers in Avery, Beaufort, Bertie, Buncombe, Craven, Davidson, Forsyth, Guilford, Haywood, Henderson, Hertford, Mecklenburg, New Hanover, Polk, Randolph, Rutherford, Swain, Transylvania, Wake, and Watauga counties. The contractor shall:

1. Continue to work with the Diabetes Care Teams at eight (8) Community Health Centers (Blue Ridge Community Health Services, Appalachian Mountain Community Health Services, Triad Adult and Pediatric Medicine, Agape Community Health Services, United Health Centers-Winston Salem, Neighbor Health, Charlotte Community Health Center-Charlotte, and MedNorth Community Health Center-Wilmington) to:
  - a. Use the electronic medical records to screen eligible patients for diabetes.
  - b. Refer patients with prediabetes to CDC recognized DPPs.
  - c. Identify and refer patients with newly diagnosed diabetes or those with uncontrolled diabetes ( $A1c > 9$ ) to recognized or accredited DSMES.
  - d. Track referrals to DPP and DSMES to ensure patients have registered and are participating in the programs.
  - e. Use the Medicaid social determinant of health screening tool to identify patients' unmet social needs at each Community Health Center and then link patients to community resources using NCCARE360 addressing patients' identified areas of need based on screenings.
  - f. Screen and refer patients for diabetic retinopathy to promote early detection at each Community Health Center.
  - g. Calculate the atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease (ASCVD) risk score for patients with diabetes at each Community Health Center and share the results with the patient and provide appropriate clinical management.
  - h. Calculate chronic kidney disease staging for patients with diabetes at each Community Health Center to promote early detection and share the results with the patient and provide appropriate clinical management.
2. Continue to support the Community Health Centers that offer DSMES

- through telehealth technology.
3. Compile and submit final data reports from 12 Community Health Centers (High Country Community Health Center, Bertie County Rural Health Association, Roanoke Chowan Community Health Center-Murfreesboro, Craven County Health Department, Blue Ridge Community Health Services, Appalachian Mountain Community Health Services, Triad Adult and Pediatric Medicine, Agape Community Health Services, United Health Centers-Winston Salem, Neighbor Health, Charlotte Community Health Center-Charlotte, and MedNorth Community Health Center- Wilmington) by September 29, 2023.
  4. Assist the CCCPH Branch in implementing an evaluation plan that addresses project evaluation and performance measurement.

## **PROGRAM GUIDANCE**

The contractor shall:

1. Meet with CCCPH staff by phone, video conference, or in person monthly to discuss accomplishments, project evaluation, and concerns.
2. Ensure the Diabetes Care Teams include at least two (2) of the following staff: physician or midlevel provider, nurse, medical assistant, registered dietitian, certified diabetes educator, pharmacist, and behavioral health consultant.
3. Ensure referrals to DPPs are CDC recognized National Diabetes Prevention Programs.
4. Ensure referrals to DSMES are to accredited or recognized services by the Association of Diabetes Care and Education Specialists or American Diabetes Association.
5. Submit monthly reports by the 5<sup>th</sup> of the month for progress made on each Performance Requirement for the prior month via email to CCCPH.
6. Submit copies of subcontracts via email to CCCPH.
7. Submit semi-annual data reports by the 14<sup>th</sup> of the month for data collected the prior six (6) months. Semi-annual periods include the following:
  - a. October 2022 – March 2023
  - b. April 2023 – September 2023
8. Submit a final summary report by September 29, 2023, via email to CCCPH to include a summary of progress made on each Performance Requirement.

### **Monitoring:**

Deliverables will be monitored through a site visit and the required meetings and report. If the Contractor is deemed out of compliance, the CCCPH Branch Manager will provide technical assistance. Funds may be withheld until the Contractor is in compliance with deliverables. If technical assistance does not prove beneficial, the contract may then be terminated.

### III. COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

Below on the matrix are the types of compliance requirements are applicable to the federal program, noted as “Y,” as determined by the federal granting agency if the federal program is listed in Part 2 of the OMB 2023 Compliance Supplement. A State agency may have added a Type. If the program is not listed in Part 2, the State Agency has determined the applicable Types. If a Type, applicable by OMB, does not apply at the local level or if the State has modified the federal requirements at the local level, this should be explained in the supplement under the Type. A Type that is not applicable at the local level is noted by “N.”

If a particular Type is noted as “Y,” the auditor must determine if the Type has a direct and material effect on the federal program for the auditee. For each Type of compliance requirement, the auditor must use the OMB 2023 Compliance Supplement, Part 3 (which includes generic details about each compliance requirement other than Special Tests and Provisions) and Part 4 (which includes any program-specific requirements) to perform the audit.

| A                     | B                        | C               | E           | F                           | G  | H                        | I  | J              | L         | M                       | N                               |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|-------------|-----------------------------|--|--------------------------|--|----------------|-----------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Activities Allowed or | Allowable<br>Costs/ Cost | Cash Management | Eligibility | Equipment/ Real<br>Property | Matching, Level of Effort,<br>Earmarking | Period Of<br>Performance | Procurement<br>Suspension &<br>Debarment | Program Income | Reporting | Subrecipient Monitoring | Special Tests and<br>Provisions |
| Y                     | Y                        | Y               | Y           | Y                           | N  | Y                        | Y  | N              | Y         | Y                       | N                               |

#### A. Activities Allowed or Unallowed

In developing the audit procedures to test compliance with the requirements for a federal funded program, the auditor should look first at OMB Uniform Guidance, Part 2, Matrix of Compliance Requirements, to identify which of the 14 types of compliance requirements described in Part 3 are applicable and then look to Part 3 for the details of the requirements.

Funds may be used for:

1. Identified staff salary and fringe benefits
2. Materials and supplies needed to implement the proposed interventions
3. Travel and staff development

Funds may not be used for:

1. Supplanting funds supporting current positions and initiatives
2. Food
3. Construction
4. Lobbying activities
5. Cash incentives

**Suggested Audit Procedure**

Review the executed North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services/Division of Public Health contract # 44820 to determine approved budget items and review expenditure documentation to determine the appropriateness of specific activities paid by these funds.

B. Allowable Costs/Cost Principles

All grantees that expend state funds (including federal funds passed through the N. C. Department of Health and Human Services) are required to comply with the cost principles described in the N.

C. Administrative Code at 09 NCAC 03M .0201.

**Suggested Audit Procedure:**

Review selected expenditures for consistency with applicable cost principles.

C. Cash Management

Funds are granted on a reimbursement basis.

E. Eligibility

Contractor is the only recipient of these funds and was selected based on their expertise and ability to address the requirements for the project.

**Suggested Audit Procedure**

None

F. Equipment and Real Property Management

Purchase of equipment is not allowable unless identified in the budget and approved by CDC.

**Suggested Audit Procedure**

Review approved budget and any expenditure for equipment purchases.

H. Period of Performance

Funds for these activities begin October 1, 2022, and run through September 29, 2023.

I. Procurement and Suspension and Debarment

All grantees that expend federal funds (received either directly from a federal agency or passed through the N. C. Department of Health and Human Services) are required to conform to federal agency codifications of the grants management common rule accessible on the Internet at [https://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/text-idx?tpl=/ecfrbrowse/Title02/2cfr200\\_main\\_02.tpl](https://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/text-idx?tpl=/ecfrbrowse/Title02/2cfr200_main_02.tpl).

**Suggested Audit Procedure**

Select a sample of funded procurement, if any, for activities subject to federal agency codifications of the grants management common rule.

L. Reporting

Financial Reporting

Contractor shall submit monthly expenditure reports, even if no expenses are

incurred in any given month. All expenditure reports must be consistent with the executed contract budget. Expenses outside of the approved budget must be pre-approved by a written budget realignment request.

Performance Reporting

Deliverables will be monitored through the required meetings.

M. Subrecipient Monitoring

On a quarterly basis, the CCCPH staff assesses programmatic risk through a review call. Progress is measured against an Action Plan/Report. The CCCPH Branch will also monitor expenditures by budget category on a monthly basis.