The Community-Focused Eliminating Health Disparities Initiative (CFEHDI) provides grants-in-aid to address the gap in the health status of minority populations. These grants-in-aid focus on the use of measures to eliminate or reduce health disparities among minority populations in North Carolina with respect to heart disease, stroke, diabetes, obesity, asthma, HIV/AIDS, and cancer.

Approximately $2,000,000 in SFY 2012-2013 is used to provide a maximum of twelve (12) grants-in-aid to close the gap in the health status of African-Americans, Hispanics/Latinos, and American Indians as compared to the health status of white persons. Individual grants may not exceed $300,000 annually. No more than four (4) grants-in-aid are awarded to applicants located in the urban and rural areas of the Western, Piedmont, and Eastern areas of North Carolina.

Community-based organizations, faith-based organizations, local health departments, hospitals, and CCNC networks located in urban and rural areas of the western, eastern, and Piedmont areas of this State are eligible to apply for these grants-in-aid. HB 200 (S.L. 2011-145) modified previous legislation to include a clinical component that ensures an evidence-based medical home model will be implemented in order to affect change in health and geographic disparities.

The diversity of the target populations and range of priority health focus areas make the CFEHDI a unique initiative that emphasizes the community-clinical partnership, as well as, the critical need to develop a comprehensive system of prevention and health care services to address health disparities. Funds for this program are from state appropriations.

Contractors, which include local health departments, hospitals and private, non-profit organizations, are to complete activities as noted on their contract addenda/scope of work. Each scope of work is different based upon the needs of the specific area served.

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