

**South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control
Title V, Section 510 Abstinence Education Grant Program
FY 2015 Grant Year, Supplemental Funds**

REQUEST FOR GRANT APPLICATIONS (RFGA)

**CFDA Number: 93.235
Posting Date: July 13, 2015**

ATTENTION! IMPORTANT DETAIL!

**Your application must be submitted in a sealed package. (Original + 3 copies marked as "Copy")
RFGA Number and Deadline/Closing Date (see below) must appear on package exterior.**

Deadline/Closing Date for Applications:	August 10, 2015 - By 2:30 PM EST
RFGA Number: FY2015-RFGA-CY-509	

Submit your sealed package to either of the following addresses:	
<u>MAILING ADDRESS:</u> DHEC – Public Health Contracts Bureau of Business Management 2600 Bull Street Columbia, SC 29201	<u>PHYSICAL ADDRESS:</u> DHEC – Public Health Contracts Bureau of Business Management Columbia Mills Building - 4 th Floor 301 Gervais Street Columbia, SC 29201 See additional Physical Address Information below

Number of Copies to be submitted: One (1) original and three (3) copies marked as "Copy"

DHEC offers this Request for Grant Applications (RFGA) for the 2015 supplemental funds administered by DHEC for the State of South Carolina from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Acceptable applications that will be considered as part of this grant program are those that support the activities, goals, and objectives as required and stated herein. The use of these funds is subject to all federal and state requirements as outlined in the scope of work. Funds may not be used for any other purpose. DHEC reserves the right to determine whether or not a proposal falls within the scope of activities and is eligible under the stated guidelines. Applications are only accepted during the Request for Applications period and will be evaluated by independent evaluators based on the award criteria stated in the solicitation.

It is the intent of the State of South Carolina, South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) to accept grant applications to provide abstinence-based education services and/or activities in accordance with all provisions and requirements as stated herein.

The total dollar amount available under this RFGA is \$259,039.00.

Eligibility:

1. Applicant must be either a state, community or faith-based organization that is committed to and experienced in providing abstinence education services using the program/curricula for which funding is being applied.
2. Applicant must provide certification from a nationally known organization stating that the program/curricula defined within the application packet is medically accurate. Certification must be dated prior to submission of the application packet.

3. Applicant must provide a letter of certification from a nationally known organization stating that an independent review has been conducted of the defined program/curricula and the information contained does not contradict Title V, Section 510 (b)(2) (A-H elements). Certification must be dated prior to submission of application packet.

How to Apply: See the Request for Grant Applications (RFGA) for additional details regarding information to be included with your submission. A cover letter should be included and signed by an authorized agent or other official agency personnel. Eligible applicants must submit the required documents to either the Mailing Address or Physical Address listed above.

Deadline: The deadline for all applications is August 10, 2015 at 2:30 P.M. EST

Questions & Answers: Questions will be accepted until 5:00 P.M. EST, July 20, 2015. All questions must be submitted in writing to Lisa Hobbs at hobbslb@dhec.sc.gov. Responses will be posted July 23, 2015 by 5:00 P.M. EST.

Available funding Date: October 1, 2015

Final selection of all successful applicants are anticipated to be made and notifications released by August 24, 2015. Final Grant Agreements will be executed to be effective when signed by the grantee and DHEC.

A draft copy of the Grant Agreement is attached to the RFGA.

Budget Form for Title V, Section 510 Abstinence Education Grant Program Applications: Every application must be accompanied by a budget template and a statement that the project can be carried out for the budget requested. A budget template is attached in Attachment B. Applications received without a budget proposal will be rejected and not reviewed by the review panel.

For more information about this Request for Grant Application process, please visit our website at <http://www.scdhec.gov/Health/ChildTeenHealth/Teens/AbstinenceEducation/>.

Additional Physical Address Information:

Vendors arriving at 301 Gervais Street will notice that this is also the location of the State Museum. Do not enter using the main museum entrance. To enter SC DHEC, vendors are to proceed from the front of the building to the left side (canal side). Park in either the lower or upper deck of the two-level parking garage.

Adjacent to the first floor parking garage is a glass door with a SC DHEC logo. This entrance is locked at all times. Press the intercom button in order to request entrance to the building. The door will be opened by the Agency receptionist. When you enter the building you will be required to sign in. You will be escorted to the 4th floor receptionist for your application to be date/time stamped. If you have issues with building access, please call DHEC's procurement receptionist at (803) 898-3501.

It will take several minutes to obtain building access and have applications date/time stamped. Please allow at least thirty (30) minutes for this process of obtaining building access and getting applications stamped in. The deadline for applications is identified on this Cover Page. Please plan accordingly; deadline times will not be adjusted.