

Grant Title: ADVANCING HOME VISITING RESEARCH TO INFORM PUBLIC POLICY

Funding Opportunity Number: N/A

Agency/Department: The Pew Center on the States (PCS), an internal operating division of The Pew Charitable Trusts.

Area of Research: Home-based programs for new and expectant families.

Release and Expiration: N/A

Application Deadline: December 21, 2009.

Amount: Large scale research projects: \$125,000-\$250,000 total award. Intermediate scale research projects: \$50,000-\$125,000. Small scale research projects: Less than \$50,000. Approximately 1-2 large, 2-4 intermediate and 6-10 small-scale contracts will be awarded.

Length of Support: All deliverables must be finalized within 18-24 months to be considered for this RFP.

Eligible Applicants: Eligible applicants include, but are not limited to: national and regional home visiting programs, academic institutions, non-profit organizations, for-profit research organizations, government agencies and policy think tanks.

Summary: The Pew Home Visiting Campaign, a project of the Pew Center on the States, promotes smart state investments in quality, home-based programs for new and expectant families. The campaign is soliciting applications for funding of research and evaluation of home visiting services. The goal of this request is to build the evidence needed to inform public policy decisions and advance effective practice in maternal, infant and early childhood home visiting. With generous support from the Doris Duke Charitable Foundation, the Pew Home Visiting Campaign seeks research to strengthen the home visiting evidence base. Under the guidance of a research advisory panel consisting of national experts, leading academicians and policy officials, we aim to answer research questions that will expand the body of knowledge policymakers and practitioners rely on to improve services, achieve better outcomes and make good use of public resources. Proposals in the following priority areas of home visiting research are specifically encouraged: (a) Active ingredients of effective home visits - What are the active ingredients, components or attributes of home visiting programs that have the most power to improve key child and maternal outcomes? What is most effective in terms of timing, dosage and intensity?, (b) Training and supervision - What key qualities or competencies of home visitors and/or supervisors influence family outcomes?

Detailed Information:

http://www.pewcenteronthestates.org/uploadedFiles/wwwpewcenteronthestatesorg/Initiatives/Home_Visiting/Home_Visiting_RFP.pdf

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