National Institute for Literacy

and applied research, planning, surveys, assessments, evaluations, investigations, experiments, development and demonstrations.

§ 1100.6 What priorities may the Director establish?

The Director may, through a notice published in the FEDERAL REGISTER, select annually one or more priorities for funding. These priorities may be chosen from the areas of greatest immediate concern to the Institute and may include, but are not limited to, the following areas:

(a) Developing leadership in adult learners. Because adult learners are the true experts on literacy, they are an important resource for the field. Their firsthand experience as "customers" of the literacy system can be invaluable in assisting the field in moving forward, particularly in terms of raising public awareness and understanding about literacy.

(b) Expanding the use of technology in literacy programs. One of the Institute's major projects is the Literacy Information and Communication System (LINCS), an Internet-based information system that provides timely information and abundant resources to the literacy community. Keeping the literacy community up to date in the Information Age is vital.

(c) Improving accountability for literacy programs. Literacy programs must develop accountability systems that demonstrate their effectiveness in helping adult learners contribute more fully in the workplace, family and community. There is growing interest in results-oriented literacy practice, especially as related to the Equipped for the Future (EFF) framework.

(d) Raising public awareness about literacy. The Institute is leading a national effort to raise public awareness that literacy is part of the solution to many social concerns, including health, welfare, the economy, and the well-being of children. Projects that enhance this effort will be given priority consideration.

Subpart B—How Does an Individual Apply for a Fellowship?

\$1100.10 What categories of fellowships does the Institute award?

The Institute awards two categories of Literacy Leadership Fellowships:

- (a) Literacy Worker Fellowships; and
- (b) Adult Learner Fellowships.

§ 1100.11 How does an individual apply for a fellowship?

An individual shall apply to the Director for a fellowship award in response to an application notice published by the Director in the FEDERAL REGISTER. The application must describe a plan for one or more of the activities stated in §1100.3 that the applicant proposes to conduct under the fellowship. The application must indicate which category of fellowship, as described in §1100.10, most accurately describes the applicant. Applicants must also submit for letters for recommendation and certain forms, assurances and certifications, including the certification required under 34 CFR 75.61. For applicants who propose to conduct the fellowship project on a part-time basis while undertaking other paid employment, one of the four required letters of recommendation must be from the applicant's employer, and must include a statement that the applicant's workload will not exceed 100 percent of time. (Approved by the Office of Management and Budget under OMB Control Number 3430-0003, Expiration Date 6/30/2000.)

§ 1100.12 What applications are not evaluated for funding?

The Director does not evaluate an application if—

- (a) The applicant is not eligible under § 1100.2:
- (b) The applicant does not comply with all of the procedural rules that govern the submission of applications for Literacy Leader Fellowship funds;
- (c) The application does not contain the information required by the Institute: