

Topical Heading

Disability and Rehabilitation Research

Program Title

Rehabilitation Research and Training Centers

Also Known as

RRTCs

CFDA # (or ED #)

84.133B

Administering Office

Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS)

Who May Apply (by category)

Institutions of Higher Education (IHEs), Nonprofit Organizations, Other Organizations and/or Agencies

Who May Apply (specifically)

States, public or private agencies—including for-profit agencies, Indian tribes, and tribal organizations also may apply. Rehabilitation research and training centers must be operated by or in collaboration with: (1) one or more IHEs or (2) one or more providers of rehabilitation or other appropriate services.

Current Competitions

There are multiple competitions under this program. FY 2008 application deadlines start: April 1, 2008. See the OSERS National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research (NIDRR) forecast of funding opportunities Web site at: <http://www.ed.gov/fund/grant/find/edlite-forecast.html#Chart7>, which is updated several times during the year, for subsequent application deadlines.

Type of Assistance (by category)

Cooperative Agreements, Discretionary/Competitive Grants

Appropriations

Fiscal Year 2006 \$18,057,029

Fiscal Year 2007 \$17,035,521

Fiscal Year 2008 \$13,799,662

Note: This is one of several NIDRR grant programs. Congress provides an appropriation for NIDRR as a whole; see the main entry for NIDRR (# 84.133), under topical heading "Disability and Rehabilitation Research." The amounts listed here are a portion of the total NIDRR appropriation. Some awards are cofunded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' (HHS) Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). Amounts above represent NIDRR funding only.

Fiscal Year 2008 Awards Information

Note: The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

Number of New Awards Anticipated: 9

Average New Award: \$850,000

Range of New Awards: Up to \$850,000

Number of Continuation Awards: 14

Average Continuation Award: \$500,000

Range of Continuation Awards: \$450,000–\$900,000

Legislative Citation

Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, Title II; 29 U.S.C. 764(b)(2)

Program Regulations

EDGAR; 34 CFR 350

Program Description

The RRTCs conduct coordinated and advanced programs of research, training, and information dissemination in general problem areas that are specified by NIDRR. Each RRTC has a major program of research in a particular

area, such as mental illness, vocational rehabilitation, or independent living. The RRTCs must serve as centers of national excellence and national or regional resources for providers and individuals with disabilities and their representatives. RRTC awards are for five years, except that grants to new recipients or to support new or innovative research may be made for fewer than five years.

Types of Projects

Each year, competitions are held in specific areas that determine the types of projects.

Education Level (specifically)

All Ages

Subject Index

Disabilities, Research, Significant Disabilities, Vocational Rehabilitation

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Links to Related Web Sites

<http://www.ed.gov/programs/rrtc/index.html>