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TO: Local Health Jurisdictions and Agencies

FROM: California Department of Public Health, Office of Oral Health

RE: **Request for Application for Moving California Oral Health Forward 2022-2027**

The California Department of Public Health (CDPH), Office of Oral Health (OOH) is releasing a Request for Application (RFA) for the Moving California Oral Health Forward 2022-2027 grant. This is a **continuation of the initial Local Oral Health Program Grant Funding Initiative (1/1/2017- 6/30/2022)**. **The term for this grant is July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2027.**

The purpose of this RFA is to fund local health jurisdictions (LHJs) and agencies with grants to create and expand capacity at the local level to educate, prevent, and provide linkages to treatment programs, including dental disease caused by using cigarettes and other tobacco products. Grantees shall establish or expand upon existing local oral health programs (LOHPs) to include the following program activities related to oral health in their communities: education, disease prevention, community-clinical linkages, and surveillance. These activities will improve the oral health of Californians. This shall be achieved by providing funding for activities that support demonstrated oral health needs and prioritize underserved areas and populations.

Funding for this RFA is from the California Healthcare, Research and Prevention Tobacco Tax Act of 2016, Proposition 56 (Prop 56). Grantees will receive an annual funding amount to plan, implement, and evaluate LOHP activities. LHJs are grouped into four funding tiers determined using the estimated low-income population based on the U.S. Census Bureau, 2019 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates. (Additional information on the funding tiers can be found in [Appendix I- Guidelines for Grant Application, page 9 of 13](#))

Funding is contingent upon available Prop 56 revenues and appropriations by the legislature and the governor's budget for each fiscal year of the grant. If full funding is not available, CDPH-OOH may amend the grant to reflect the decreased funding.



A letter of intent is required and must be submitted to OOH **no later than 5:00 p.m. (PST) on November 5, 2021.**

Applications are due to OOH no later than 5:00 p.m. (PST) on December 15, 2021. Please read and follow the [RFA Appendix I- Guidelines for Grant Application and appendices](#) to ensure required components are included in the application.

An informational webinar session will be held on **October 13, 2021 from 12:00PM - 1:30PM (PST)**. On **October 27, 2021 and January 12, 2022**, the OOH will conduct virtual office hours. Attendees must be registered to attend.

For additional information, please review the program guidelines and appendices. Questions can be directed to OOH at DentalDirector@cdph.ca.gov.

Thank you for your continued dedication and commitment to improving the oral health status of Californians!

Sincerely,



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