

### Family Center for Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs



#### Local Health Department (LHD) Small Grant Cycle 2020-2021

## **Guidelines**

**Grant year:** October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021

#### **Objective:**

Increase family support, knowledge, and advocacy skills through implementation of in person, face-to-face, family-centered support/educational groups for families of children with special health care needs (including all children who have, or are at an increased risk for: medical, physical, developmental, behavioral, or emotional conditions).

#### And/or

Increase family support, knowledge, and advocacy through implementation of online/social media, family-centered support/educational groups for families with children with special health care needs (including all children who have, or are at an increased risk for: medical, physical, developmental, behavioral, or emotional conditions).

#### **Purpose:**

Local Health Departments/Districts are eligible to apply for up to \$5,000 to meet the objectives outlined above. Due to the competitive nature of this grant and its purpose, we have had to prioritize activities in which we can fund. Those who are requesting funding for online/social media groups are eligible to apply for up to \$5,000, with up to \$2,500 going towards online/social media groups. There is an additional page (page 7) that will need to be completed to request funding for online/social media groups.

Here are the requirements of the grant in order to receive funding:

- A parent of a child with special health care needs must be hired/contracted/reimbursed to
  coordinate and lead all grant related activities to receive funding. LHD Staff, who are the
  parent of a child with a special health care need, may only be used to fulfill this requirement if
  they are not reimbursed/compensated (flex time, work balance, etc.) for time spent on grant
  activities. They may donate their time under "in-kind."
- In person, face-to-face, family-centered support/educational groups **must** be run by the hired/contracted/reimbursed parent to receive funding (up to \$5,000 total with or without online/social media).
- Online/social media, family-centered support/educational groups must be run by the hired/contracted/reimbursed parent to receive funding (up to \$2,500 of the \$5,000 total may be used towards online/social media).



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Here are some examples of activities that we can fund in order to meet objective of the grant:

- Funds may be used to reimburse educational speakers on disability related topics. Presenters
  are not a requirement to receive funding through this grant. You are encouraged to partner with
  other local agencies for educational opportunities during group meetings. Here is a small
  sampling of options:
  - Community Mental Health (CMH)
  - Intermediate School District/Reginal Education Service Agency (ISD/RESA)
  - Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS)
  - Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)
  - Michigan Family to Family (F2F)
  - Hospitals/Health Care Providers
  - Local chapters of national/international diagnosis specific associations (Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF), etc.
- Use grant funds to provide financial assistance to remove barriers for families'
  participation in the support/educational groups. This may include: paying
  stipends for attendance; childcare reimbursement (on site or in home); group
  refreshments; transportation and/or mileage to and from support/educational
  groups. Mileage may not be used for staff.

### **Grant Requirements and Award Process**

Please submit completed grant application in its entirety by the deadline listed below.

Applications will be reviewed by a review committee within the Family Center. Since this is a competitive grant process preference will be given to the grant applicant that shows a demonstrated ability to meet/exceed the objective and purpose of the grant. Demonstrating the use of "In-Kind" is not required for this grant, however it is highly encouraged. Notification of award will be made after Wednesday, July 1, 2020.

After the close of the grant period, a final grant report must be submitted. This grant report can be submitted as a narrative and must include proof of deliverables for the Work Plan and Budget submitted at the time of application. Examples of these proofs may include (but are not limited to): examples of marketing materials, sign-in sheets for support/educational groups, satisfaction surveys, and an updated budget showing expenditures. Original itemizes receipts or scanned copies of original itemized receipts will be required with final grant report.

As a courtesy we have included a rubric at the end of this grant application packet. The rubric is not intended to be filled out with the application. The Family Center uses this tool to score applications.



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## **Grant Deadlines**

Grant Application postmarked and mailed deadline: May 1, 2020 Notification

of award after: *July 1, 2020* 

Funding awarded to recipient after: October 1, 2020

Funds expend Date: September 30, 2021

Final grant report postmarked and mailed to Family Center: October 31, 2021

# **Grant Application**

Local Health Department and/or District Name:	
Address:	
County(ies):	
Amount Requested:	
Primary Contact Information:	
Phone:	
Email:	
Lead Project Coordinator Name	Health Officer Name
Lead Project Coordinator Signature	Health Officer Signature
 Date	 Date

## **Grant Application (Cont'd)**

Please include the following information with your grant application:

### **Work Plan Project Narrative and Work Plan Template**

The Work Plan Project Narrative and Work Plan Template include the overall goals and objectives of the project. Submit a work plan that states the project's objectives, activities, timeframe, and outcomes (Work Plan Template attached).

### **Outcome Measures and Evaluation Component**

Discuss outcomes and any other measurable benefits to be derived from the project in the form of project outcomes and an evaluation component. Outcomes should describe the project's expected results in terms that are quantifiable and time-limited and should be included in the Work Plan Template.

### **Budget Section**

Complete the budget form included in this application packet. Include a narrative of the proposed budget. Explain how the cost of the project was determined. Include any cost sharing that will occur among the project partners and identify expenses that will be cost-shared if any. Original itemizes receipts or scanned copies of original itemized receipts will be required with final grant report. Please note: <a href="the grant money">the grant money is not intended to fund LHD staff salaries/wages</a>, benefits, and/or mileage.

Grant Application Deadline: May 1, 2020

Please complete and return the grant application by:

Scanning as a PDF and sending to: <u>MezelM@michigan.gov</u> This is the preferred method of submission.

Or Fax: 517-241-8970

Or by mailing postmarked by May 1, 2020 to: Family Center for CYSHCN Attention: Megan Mezel PO Box 30734 Lansing, MI 48909 -8234

For questions, please call Megan at (517) 241-9037 or send an email to MezelM@michigan.gov

\*\*If you do not receive an email receipt within two weeks of sending your application please follow up. An email will be sent out to the primary contact for all applications that are received. If you do not receive an email, we have not received your application. Email is the preferred method to receive the application.\*\*

# **LHD Grant Application Budget Form**

	Grant Funds	Other Funds	In-Kind	TOTAL
Contractor				
LHD Support	$\nearrow$			
Supplies				
Mileage				
Participation				
Reimbursement				
Volunteer				
Other				
TOTAL		_		

# **Budget Justification Narrative**

# **Work Plan Project Narrative**

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# **Work Plan Template**

OBJECTIVE:	Increase family support, knowledge, and advocacy through implementation of in person, face-to-face, family-centered support/educational groups for families with children with special health care needs (including all children who have, or are at an increased risk for: medical, physical, developmental, behavioral, or emotional conditions). Outcomes are to be specific, measurable, attainable, relevant to the objective, and time limited (SMART criteria).
OBJECTIVE ACTIVITIES:	
OBJECTIVE	
OUTCOMES:	
OBJECTIVE	
MEASUREMENT:	

Please use additional pages for objective if needed.

# **Work Plan Template**

OBJECTIVE:	Increase family support, knowledge, and advocacy through implementation of online/social media, family-centered support/educational groups for families with children with special health care needs (including all children who have, or are at an increased risk for: medical, physical, developmental, behavioral, or emotional conditions).
OBJECTIVE ACTIVITIES:	
OBJECTIVE OUTCOMES:	
OBJECTIVE MEASUREMENT:	

Please use additional pages for objective if needed.

# LHD Small Grant Rubric Total Points: /21

LHD:	Region:
County/Counties:	
Sent Final Grant Report from Previo	ous Year w/Application
Date Received:	
Total Amount Requested: \$	Total Amount Approved: \$
Reviewer:	

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	Exemplary	Adequate	Needs	Missing	Score	Comments
	3 Points	2 Points	Improvement	0 Points		
			1 Point			
Budget	Budget Form is	Budget Form	Budget Form	Budget Form		Strengths:
Form	clear and easy to	is clear and	lacks required	includes		
	understand.	easy to	information or	unallowable		
	Budget Form	understand.	unclear and	expenditures		
	includes use of		difficult to	(staff wages,		
	other funds and/or		read.	mileage or		
	in-kind to show			benefits)		Weaknesses:
	sustainability.					
Budget	Budget	Budget	Budget	Budget		Strengths:
Justification	Justification	Justification	Justification	Justification		
Narrative	Narrative is	Narrative is	Narrative lacks	Narrative		
	complete and	complete but	required	includes		
	contains all	is not related	information or	unallowable		
	required	to activities	unclear and	expenditures		
	information.	and outcomes.	difficult to	(staff wages,		
	Budget		read.	mileage or		Weaknesses:
	Justification			benefits)		
	Narrative is					
	linked to activities					
	and outcomes.					

	Exemplary 3 Points	Adequate 2 Points	Needs Improvement 1 Point	Missing 0 Points	Score	Comments
Work Plan Project Narrative	Narrative includes project objective, timeframe, and outcomes.	Narrative includes project objective and timeframe.	Narrative includes project objective only.	Narrative does not include project objective, timeframe, and outcomes.		Strengths: Weaknesses:
Objective Activities	Activities include in person, face-to-face and online family-centered (directed specifically towards families) groups designed to increase family support, involvement, and knowledge regarding the care of children with special needs.			Activities do not include in person, face-to-face or online family-centered groups designed to increase family support, involvement, and knowledge regarding the care of children with special needs.		Strengths: Weaknesses:
Objective Outcomes	Outcomes are specific, measurable, attainable, relevant to the objective, and time limited (SMART). They are easy to understand and follow.	Outcomes are SMART but are not easy to understand and follow.	Outcomes are SMART but not relevant to the objective.	Outcomes are unclear and/or do not meet the SMART criteria.		Strengths: Weaknesses:

	Exemplary 3 Points	Adequate 2 Points	Needs Improvement 1 Point	Missing 0 Points	Score	Comments
Objective Measurements	Measurements are easy to understand and are a true measurement of the outcome.	Measurements are easy to understand but may not be a true measurement of the outcome.	Measurements are not easy to understand and may not be a true measurement of the outcome.	Measurements are not easy to understand and are not a true measurement of the outcome.		Strengths: Weaknesses:
Writing Technique	Uses exemplary grammar and is easy to comprehend.	Uses adequate grammar and is easy to comprehend.	Uses acceptable grammar, but is not easy to comprehend	Fails to use acceptable grammar and is difficult to comprehend		Strengths: Weaknesses: