

Certifications

Before completing certification, please read Certification Instructions on the following page.

Certification - Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters. This certification is required by the regulations implementing Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension, 34 CFR Part 85, Section 85.510, Participants' responsibilities. The regulations were published as Part VII of the May 26, 1988 Federal Register (pages 19160-19211).

(1). The applicant certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:

(a). Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency,

(b). Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State anti-trust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property,

(c). Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (1) (b) of this certification, and

(d). Have not within a three-year period preceding this application proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default;

(2). Where the applicant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such applicant shall attach an explanation to this application.

Certification - Drug-Free Workplace. This certification is required by the regulations implementing the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988, 34 CFR Part 85, Subpart F. The regulations, published in the January 31, 1989 Federal Register, require certification by grantees, prior to award, that they will maintain a drug-free workplace. The certification set out below is a material representation of fact upon which reliance will be placed when the agency determines to award the grant. False certification or violation of the certification shall be grounds for suspension of payments, suspension or termination of grants, or government-wide suspension or

debarment (see 34 CFR Part 85, Section 85.615 and 85.620). The grantee certifies that it will provide a drug-free workplace by:

(1). Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the grantee's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition;

(2). Establishing a drug-free awareness program to inform employees about --

(a) the dangers of drug abuse in the workplace,
(b) the grantee's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace,

(c) any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs, and

(d) the penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace;

(3). Making it a requirement that each employee to be engaged in the performance of the grant be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph (1);

(4). Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph (1) that, as a condition of employment under the grant, the employee will

(a) abide by the terms of the statement, and
(b) notify the employer of any criminal drug statute conviction for a violation occurring in the workplace no later than five days after such conviction;

(5). Notifying the Corporation within ten days after receiving notice under subparagraph (4)(b) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction;

(6). Taking one of the following actions, within 30 days of receiving notice under subparagraph (4)(b) with respect to any employee who is so convicted--

(a) Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination; or

(b) Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal, State, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency;

(7). Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of paragraphs (1), (2), (3), (4), (5), and (6).