



GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF
COMMUNITY HEALTH

NOTICE OF DIRECT AWARD

GEORGIA TECH RESEARCH CORPORATION

TESTING EXPERIENCE AND FUNCTIONAL TOOLS (TEFT) GRANT

POSTING DATE: THURSDAY, APRIL 17, 2014
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DIRECT AWARD JUSTIFICATION

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AGENCY BACKGROUND	<p>The Georgia Department of Community Health (DCH) was created in 1999 by Senate Bill 241 to serve as the lead agency for health care planning and purchasing issues in Georgia. DCH is the single state agency for Medicaid and insures over two million people in the State of Georgia, maximizing the State's health care purchasing power, coordinating health planning for State agencies and proposing cost-effective solutions for reducing the number of uninsured.</p> <p>Within DCH, the Division of Health Information Technology (HIT) is responsible for leading the strategic efforts of the State of Georgia for health information technology adoption and health information exchange to improve healthcare delivery for providers, healthcare professionals and consumers.</p>
PROGRAM OVERVIEW	<p>The Department of Community Health's Office of Health Information Technology (Health IT) is responsible for advancing the use of health information technology throughout Georgia to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reduce health care disparities• Improve health outcomes• Increase efficiency of health care delivery• Reduce overall health care costs <p>The Office of Health IT will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Develop and execute Georgia's Health IT Multi-year Strategic Plans• Implement Georgia's strategic initiatives for health information technology adoption and health information exchange• Accomplish the vision of the Governor's Executive Orders to establish a statewide strategy to enable health information to be readily available and transparent in a secure and trusted environment
AWARD JUSTIFICATION	<p>The Georgia Department of Community Health intends to award Georgia Tech Research Corporation in the amount \$427,061.00 to test the collection of adult quality measures for use in the Medicaid Community-Based Long Term Services and Supports (CB-LTSS).</p> <p>DCH presents this funding as a direct award in that the Georgia Tech Research Corporation is a component of the Health Information Technology (HIT) that meets the federal grant requirements and as such was named as the Grantee.</p>
AWARD(S)	TOTAL DIRECT AWARD FUNDS AVAILABLE: \$427,061.00

TO SUBMIT INQUIRIES TO THIS DIRECT AWARD NOTIFICATION

Sequoyah Hill Purchasing & Procurement Specialist at shill@dch.ga.gov no later than 2:00 PM on Monday, April 21, 2014.