Summary of Revisions to NGP Guidelines and Application Instructions and Application on September 20, 2013

The NGP Program Guidelines and Application Instructions and the application have been revised. The revised guidelines and application must be used by applicants in completing their applications and can be accessed through the links provided on the OPM and DAS web-sites or through the Official State Contact.

The changes to the NGP Guidelines and Application Instructions and NGP application include the following:

- 1) Nonprofits that are exempt under 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and that provide one or more health and human services are eligible to apply, whether or not they have a State contract.
- 2) Building or facility purchases are not an eligible expense under NGP. Land purchases associated with new construction or additions are an eligible expense.
- 3) The Grant Amounts section has been revised to state, in part, that the: "Grant typically should not exceed 25% of the applicant's annual budget for health and human services".
- 4) The evaluation criteria have been amended to indicate that applicants delivering health and human services under one or more contracts or agreements with or funding from one of more State agencies will receive priority. Applications achieving efficiencies or improvements for health and human services provided under a State contract and with State funds will also receive priority.
- 5) The due date for applications has been extended from "not later than 4:00 pm on October 4, 2013" to "not later than 4:00 pm on October 18, 2013".
- 6) The anticipated date related to notice to applicants regarding the status of their applications has been revised to December 15, 2013, while the anticipated date for grant award contracts to be in place with selected applicants has been revised to March 1, 2014. The previous dates were December 1, 2013 and January 31, 2014, respectively.
- 7) Adjustments have been made in the NGP Application reflecting the revisions in the guidelines. These revisions involve the following NGP application sections: Part 1.C., Part 2.A., Part 2.C. and Part 2.H.4.