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Denali Training Fund Final Report

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Award Year: 2012 - 2014	Award Number: 1255 E
Original Amount Awarded: 170,328.10	Final Expenditures: 175,568.59
Certification: I certify that the information in this report is current, correct and true and in accordance with the terms and conditions of the agreement.	
Signed by: <u>Sheila Soule</u> <small>6E70CC847C3C421...</small>	Dated: June 30, 2015

I. A. In a few sentences, please describe the initial scope of your project.

This area of the grant provides for the overall coordination of the various initiatives, project development and interface with industry, troubleshooting and coordination across departments, colleges and MAU's, as well as reporting. These activities coordinate the initiatives of this grant in order to replicate lessons learned and promote a cohesive effort on behalf of rural Alaskans.

This 'project' coordinates quarterly reporting, monitors fiscal spending per project, facilitates systems development across MAU's via workgroups and communications, and acts as an representative and advocate for Denali funded Allied Health programs to the University, industry partners, employers, and the Alaska legislature.

Expanded scope of duties for this project award period of July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2015 includes:

- Develop new scope of work and budget for each project, submit to Denali Commission at the beginning of each fiscal year (July 1).
- Redesign reporting templates to improve tracking of project outcomes (with guidance from Denali Commission)
- Develop an internal database to track Denali trainees from project inception to project completion (2004-2013); data to AKDOLWD for employment tracking
- Coordination and preparation of quarterly reporting to Denali Commission for each project
Create OHPD shared file site – UAA SharePoint technology – to enhance communications across MAU's and within Denali funded projects
- Continue workgroups for project focus areas, i.e. HCR/HIM, Direct Service (CNA/PCA) etc.
- Continued search for appropriate grant funding for Denali projects

- Work with projects to develop and submit proposals for internal UA funding (annual budget requests)
- Continued participation/coordination of Allied Health Alliance and occupation workgroups
- Continued industry/university liaison for Denali projects (I.e. presentations, outreach, needs assessments, etc.)
- Attend Denali TRaC meetings as applicable for feedback on project activities and spending
- Set up new funds each year based on project scope of work, new yearly budgets, and end-of-year fund balances
- Monthly monitoring and reporting on project spending; work with campus fiscal managers to track spending via Denali soft ledgers for more accurate quarterly reporting
- Complete fiscal project close-out – internally and to Denali Commission
- Fiscal liaison between UAA grants & contracts and MAU fiscal contacts
- Travel and activities requisitions and monitoring/tracking

B. Did you modify the scope or the budget at any time during this project? If so, please explain thoroughly.

The budget was increased to \$175,568.59 at the end of the project. No further modifications was made during this grant period.

2. A. How many people did your original proposal intend to train?

This project is facilitation only, no training was performed.

B. How many people did you ultimately train? Please attach a final list of participants, their community, certification and where they are employed.

C. If there is a variance between original and final, please explain.

3. Please tell us about lesson(s) learned during this project.

The University of Alaska learned a very valuable lesson that this model is extremely functional and necessary for the effective management of a large cross-campus grant project. It's a model that has been replicated in other projects and talked about frequently as a good business practice.

4. Please provide a minimum of one success story for this project.

The biggest success is the ability to easily wind down long-time Denali funded projects with little to no loss of momentum or personnel. Many projects have either received increased general funding or brought in other external funding to cover the loss of the Denali funding. The biggest impact at this juncture will be to the students, as many projects shifted the focus from

supporting personnel and faculty to directly supporting students. This loss will affect the CHAP program most profoundly. I remain optimistic that other funding will be found to take the place of this grant.

5. How did you acknowledge the Denali Commission for support of this Project?

Through marketing materials and website accolades.