



Caribbean Regional Communication Infrastructure Program (CARCIP) 2015 Call for Proposals

Training Grant for Medical Billing and Coding Certification

The Caribbean Regional Communications Infrastructure Program (CARCIP) is the first phase of a regional program which seeks to increase access to improve the service delivery of information and communication technology.

The development objective of CARCIP is to increase access to regional broadband networks and advance the development of an ICT-enabled services industry in the Caribbean Region. Toward achieving those goals one of CARCIP's aim is to fund the training and certification of Grenadians in ICT related areas so that they can seek and find jobs not only in Grenada, but regionally and internationally and more importantly, to provide Grenadians with the necessary skills and knowledge to create new industries or start and sustain their own ICT or ICT enabled businesses. The ICT skills assessment activity identified areas for training, certification and business development in the ICT sector which would result in rapid growth. One of the priority areas identified is training and certification for medical billing and coding.

Purpose: This training Grant project provide opportunities for individuals in Grenada to build capacity in the area of Medical Billing and Coding procedures and the prospect of obtaining employment in this area. The training outcome will result in individuals becoming a certified professional coder and/or medical billing specialist.

Training Grant details:

Eligibility: CARCIP seeking qualified and/or certified educators or trainers in the subject of Medical Coding and Billing procedures. In order to be eligible to apply to deliver training courses the Institution/Vendor MUST be accredited to offer certification in the case of academic institutions or MUST be certified by the National Training Agency (NTA) in the case of vocational training conducted in Grenada;

Target Group: One hundred (100) Grenadian youth.

REVIEW CRITERIA AND EVALUATION PROCESS - All proposals are reviewed by an evaluation committee and a national steering committee with a special interest in youth education. Funding recommendations are based on how well proposals meet the following six criteria.

- 1. Specific plan to teach youth about certified professional practices and career options.** Reviewers are looking for training that will engage young people and help them explore career options.
- 2. Appropriate timeline.** Reviewers want to know what methodology you will use and a timeline for completion of the training of 100 participants.
- 3. Use of local industry resources.** Your training should introduce students to people, educational and professional resources that will help them with the application of what they are learning.
- 4. Outreach.** Anticipated effectiveness of your plan to promote this to the public. Reviewers like to see a well thought out campaign in which information can be shared via workshops, field days, publications, written materials, etc. Training can also be promoted by using social media such as Facebook or Twitter, creating a web page, radio, television, newspapers, making a video, presenting a poster or giving a talk at an event.
- 5. Impact.** Reviewers will be looking for evidence of how you measure your learning outcomes. For example, do you conduct pre and post-test surveys, participant progress reports or feedback or coaching sessions, etc.

HOW TO SUBMIT A GRANT PROPOSAL

Proposals must be received online at: incubator@gov.gd by e-mail by **3:00 p.m. on October 31, 2015**. If you are unable to use the online system, e-mail or mail your proposal to: The Project Coordinator, Project Coordinating Unit, GCNA Building, Kirani James Boulevard, St. Georges, Grenada