

**Recipient:** Ambulatory Pediatric Association (APA)

**Value:** \$25,000.00

**CFDA #** 66.609

**Competition:** This award was not awarded competitively - the unsolicited proposal from APA fell below the competition threshold (\$75,000) and did not qualify as an assistance program as per the “Guidance for Defining ‘Assistance Program’ Under EPA Order 5700.5 Effective Until October 1, 2003.”

**Description:** Under this assistance agreement, APA will convene the Annual Pediatric Environmental Health Scholars Retreat in December 2003. The Retreat is a critical component of APA’s three-year Pediatric Environmental Health Fellowship program. The objectives of the Retreat are to:

- provide a forum in which the Fellows can present their research for critique and comment by an invited group of experts in the field of environmental health;
- provide a series of didactic environmental health presentations by experts in government, research and community groups;
- enable Fellows to learn about children’s environmental health initiatives such as the National Children’s Study and the 12 Centers for Children’s Environmental Health and Disease Prevention Research;
- enable Fellows to interact informally with pediatric environmental health experts, build a network, discuss topics of mutual interest, and develop a sense of belonging to a group with similar interests;
- enable invited representatives of relevant governmental agencies to share with the Fellows the issues they are interested in and to learn from the Fellows and the mentors how they might provide support for research, educational, and other activities.