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MEMORANDUM

TO: Superintendents of Intermediate School Districts Previously Awarded Regional Data Initiatives Title IID Competitive Grants

FROM: Sally Vaughn, Ph.D. *Sally*
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SUBJECT: Regional Data Initiatives Continuation Grant

The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) is pleased to announce that the application is now available for a competitive grant for continuing the Regional Data Initiatives with the goal of improving classroom instruction. Funding for this program is provided by the U.S. Department of Education under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, Title II, Part D program, CFDA Number 84.318. This competitive grant will be known as the Regional Data Initiatives continuation grant.

The purpose of the grant program is to continue the work that the Intermediate School District (ISD)-led consortia are doing to provide all Michigan educators with real-time access to student data at the classroom level to facilitate instructional decision making. Data access and use will be supported through professional development at all organizational levels.

Eligible Applicants

This grant is limited to eligible partnerships (i.e., consortia of ISDs) that currently hold Regional Data Initiatives grants from the MDE. Please see the grant application for a more specific definition of eligibility.

Submission Instructions

The Grant Award Notification providing general instructions, scoring rubric, and supporting information for the Regional Data Initiatives continuation grant will be posted by Friday, June 24, 2011, on the www.Michigan.gov/edtech website and the <http://techplan.org/grants.html> website. Applications will be submitted within the Michigan Electronic Grants System (MEGS), with the window for submissions being open between June 24, 2011, and July 21, 2011. **The application final submission deadline is 11:59 p.m., Thursday, July 21, 2011.**

Questions regarding the content of this memo may be directed to the Office of Education Improvement and Innovation, Educational Technology and Data Coordination by email to umpsteadb@michigan.gov or phone 517-335-2957.

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