

## **QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**

### **Fatherhood/Healthy Relationship Initiative**

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#### **1. Do you have to be "state" licensed to apply? Or does the license refer to individual licensed professionals?**

Applicant Eligibility Requirements:

1. Applicants must be for profit or not for profit corporations that are duly registered to conduct business within the State of New Jersey.
2. Applicants must be in good standing with all State and Federal agencies with which they have an existing grant or contractual relationship.
3. Applicants may not be suspended, terminated or barred for deficiencies in performance of any award, and if applicable, all past issues must be resolved as demonstrated by written documentation.
4. Applicants that are presently under contract with DCF must be in compliance with the terms and conditions of their contract.
5. Where required, all applicants must hold current State licenses.
6. Applicants that are not governmental entities must have a governing body that provides oversight as is legally required.
7. Applicants must have the capability to uphold all administrative and operating standards as outlined in this document.
8. Applicants must have the ability to achieve full operational census by February 28, 2015. Further, where appropriate, applicants must execute sub-contracts with partnering entities within 30, days of contract execution.
9. All applicants must have a Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number. To acquire a DUNS number, contact the

dedicated toll-free DUNS number request line at 1-866-705-5711 or inquire on-line at [www.dnb.com](http://www.dnb.com)

10. Any fiscally viable entity that meets the eligibility requirements, terms and conditions of the RFP, and the contracting rules and regulations set forth in the DCF Contract Policy and Information Manual (N.J.A.C. 10:3) may submit an application.

**2. Partnerships/Collaborations: To address "partnerships to create a comprehensive system of care"...**

- **Would this be such partnerships as substance abuse programs, mental health services, etc. that address father's needs, and/or community partners where our father engagement initiative would be implemented (i.e.- family success centers)?**

Yes, those are some examples.

- **To address the TEACH and PLP aspect, should we be seeking MOU's from the existing TEACH and PLP programs?**

No, this is something that would be facilitated via the DCF Office of School Linked Services after the award.

**3. Appendices: #4 Staffing Patterns: Is what is required an outline of the staffing recruitment; requirements, etc. as outlined in Program Staffing, page 18?**

Yes.

**4. Re: Page 8 of the RFP, the second bullet point. Will the proposer be expected to serve 40 individuals for the entire contract period, or 40 at any given time?**

40 individuals for the entire contract year in the Northern and 40 individuals in the Southern region.

**5. What will be the specific tracking and reporting processes for the Fatherhood/Healthy Relationship Initiative Grant?**

The selected grantee will be expected to have a process in place to track and capture outcomes of services provided based on the evidence based curriculum selected. As a result, the DCF Office of School Linked Services will work with the grantee to develop the reporting mechanism after the award.

**6. Is there a possibility that the grant will be offered beyond one year?**

For the purpose of this initiative, the Department will make available \$190,000 for 1 competitive grant in FY15 from the Pregnancy Assistance Fund (PAF) which is allocated across 3 years. Continuation of funding annually is contingent upon the availability of funds in future fiscal years and compliance with contractual obligations, achieving performance outcomes and contracted level of service.

**7. Is the 190,000 for the Southern Region and the Northern Region?**

Yes.

**8. Are the services to be provided bill able? Or is the funding dispersed all at once?**

Quarterly payments will be made.

**9. Several times (pg 21 for example) the grant says reach at least 40 fathers in each region..."combination of expectant and/or parenting young fathers and fathers of adolescents"**

**a. What is your definition of a "young father" in terms of age?**

Becoming a father under the age of 22.

**b. Are these 80 fathers only from the PLP/Project TEACH sites or can they be from the entire community?**

80 fathers from the community at large.

**c. When it says fathers of adolescents do you mean the fathers of the teen mother and/or father?**

- Fathers of a teen that is also a parent AND
- Fathers of a teen that is not a teen parent

**10. On page 6/7 it says "evidence based/informed" curriculum should be used but on page 21 it says "evidence based"... is evidence informed acceptable or must it be evidence based only?**

Evidence informed is also acceptable.