

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

### **HUMAN SERVICES**

### **DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES**

#### **Notice of Availability of Grant Funds**

#### **Psychiatric Involuntary Inpatient Beds as an Alternative to State Hospitalization**

**Take notice** that, in compliance with N.J.S.A. 52:14-34.4 and 34.6, the Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) hereby announces the availability of the following grant program funds:

#### **Name of Program: Psychiatric Involuntary Inpatient Beds as an Alternative to State Hospitalization**

**Purpose:** This notice announces the availability of grant funding to obtain access to a minimum of 125 involuntary (closed acute) adult inpatient treatment beds which can serve as a direct alternative to admission to a State Hospital. Admission to the solicited beds will come via transfers from specified Short Term Care Facilities. Admissions to the solicited beds will be prioritized to consumers who would otherwise be admitted to Ancora Hospital from Camden, Cape May, Gloucester, Cumberland, Ocean, Salem, and Atlantic Counties. Additional admissions to the solicited beds from other counties will be prioritized by the DMHAS Centralized Admissions Service.

**Amount of funding available:** The Division of Mental Health Services is seeking to fund up to \$24,705,625 on an annualized basis to provide access to a minimum of 125 involuntary (closed acute) adult inpatient treatment beds which can serve as a direct alternative to admission to a State Hospital.

**Organizations that may apply:** Applicants responding to this RFP must be currently licensed by the State of New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services as a psychiatric inpatient unit with closed acute capacity and must minimally meet the staff qualifications and service requirements in all applicable regulations. *Existing Short Term Care Facility (STCF) beds may not be utilized for this extended acute care bed initiative.*

The applicant must comply with the terms and conditions of the Department of Human Services' contracting rules and regulations as set forth in the DHS Standard Language Document, the Contract Reimbursement Manual (CRM), and the Contract Policy and Information Manual (CPIM).

**Procedure to apply:** Effective January 27, 2014, eligible and interested organizations may obtain a Request for Proposal via the Internet at: <http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dmhs/info/notices/> or by contacting Roger Borichewski, Assistant Director, at (609)777-0678. Proposals must be submitted in accordance with requirements stipulated in the Request for Proposal.

**Mandatory Bidders' Conference:** A Mandatory Bidders' Conference will be conducted for interested applicants. All applicants intending to submit a proposal in response to this request must attend the mandatory Bidders' Conference on February 7, 2014. Information regarding the time and location of the bidder's conference may be found in the Request for Proposal. *Proposals submitted by an applicant not in attendance at the bidder's conference will not be considered.*

**Deadline by which all applications must be submitted:** Applications must be received by 4:00 P.M., March 7, 2014. Respondents must submit proposals electronically in PDF format. Additionally, one hard copy of the proposal with an original signature and six additional hard copies must be submitted. No format other than the PDF and one original signed hardcopy and six additional hard copies will be accepted for this RFP.

**Date by which applicants will be notified of preliminary decision to accept or reject proposal:**

Applicants will be notified no later than April 7, 2014.

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Jennifer Velez, Commissioner

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Date