

NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY
STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES
CRISIS RECEIVING AND STABILIZATION CENTER

TAKE NOTICE that, in compliance with N.J.S.A. 52:14-34.4, 34.5 and 34.6, the Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) hereby announces the availability of the grant program funds described herein.

Program Name: Crisis Receiving and Stabilization Center (CRSC)

Purpose: This Request for Proposals (RFP) is issued by the Department of Human Services (DHS), Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS). The initiative is supported by (1) Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's (SAMHSA) Community Mental Health Block Grant Crisis Set Aside; (2) COVID-19 Supplemental Funding (appropriated through the Consolidated Appropriations Act 2021 the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplement Appropriations Act 2021); (3) ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act 2021) and Bipartisan Safer Communities Act (BSCA); and (4) State appropriations. The RFP seeks the creation of new CRSCs. This initiative provides services to those in need of immediate in-person crisis intervention and stabilization for a behavioral health crisis. The purpose of the CRSC initiative is to create programming that utilizes best practices for interventions in behavioral health crisis intervention and also produce cost savings by mitigating the use of Emergency Departments (EDs) and preventing unnecessary or inappropriate hospitalization. Furthermore, CRSC is intended to reduce police engagement, arrests, incarcerations and 911 calls.

Available Funding Amount: Total funding for this CRSC initiative is up to \$37,235,284.00, inclusive of one-time start-up funds in the amount of \$2,000,000.00 and Capital Funds in the amount of \$833,330.00. DMHAS anticipates making up to five (5) awards up to \$7,447,057.00 per award inclusive of up to \$400,000.00 in one-time start-up funds and up to \$166,666.00 in Capital Funds, per award. Funding shall support the CRSC for a term of fifteen (15) months and ends September 2025, unless otherwise extended or supplemented by the DMHAS if additional funding becomes available. Funding for this RFP is provided by: 1. the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's (SAMHSA) Community Mental Health Block Grant Crisis Set Aside; 2. COVID-19 Supplemental Funding (appropriated through the Consolidated Appropriations Act 2021 the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplement Appropriations Act 2021); 3. ARPA

(American Rescue Plan Act 2021) and Bipartisan Safer Communities Act (BSCA); and 4. State appropriations. All funding is subject to Federal and State appropriations.

Who Can Apply/Bidder Qualifications: To be eligible for consideration for this RFP, the bidder must satisfy the following requirements:

- The bidder must be a non-profit entity or governmental entity;
- The bidder must maintain a Mental Health License pursuant to N.J.A.S. 8:121¹ et set;
- The bidder must review and be capable of applying for and securing CRSC certification if awarded a contract. The DMHAS PROVIDER AGENCY APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION OF CRISIS RECEIVING STABILIZATION CENTER appears as Attachment I of RFP;
- The bidder must review and be capable of complying with the CRSC Annex A if awarded a contract. The DMHAS CRSC contract Annex A appears as Attachment J. Annex A specifies the CRSC services that the successful bidder is authorized and obligated to deliver pursuant to and in accordance with the Contract;
- The bidder must have a true copy of the Certificate of Occupancy for the CRSC;
- For a bidder that has a contract with DMHAS in place when this RFP is issued, that bidder must have all outstanding Plans of Correction for deficiencies submitted to DMHAS for approval prior to submission;
- The bidder must be fiscally viable based upon an assessment of the bidder's audited financial statements. If a bidder is determined, in DMHAS' sole discretion, to be insolvent or to present insolvency within the twelve (12) months after bid submission, DMHAS will deem the proposal ineligible for contract award;
- The bidder must not appear on the State of [New Jersey Consolidated Debarment Report](#)² or be suspended or debarred by any other State or Federal entity from receiving funds;
- Pursuant to DHS Contract Policy and Information Manual Policy Circular 8.05, the bidder shall not have a conflict, or the appearance of a conflict, between the private interests and the official responsibilities of a person in a position of trust. Persons in a position of trust include Provider Agency staff members, officers and Governing Board Members. A bidder must have written Conflict of Interest policies and procedures that satisfy the requirements of P8.05, thereby ensuring that paid Board members do not participate in transactions except as expressly provided in the P8.05 circular; and

¹ The mental health license requirement is a minimum eligibility standard only. The CRSC will not be licensed or regulated by the New Jersey Department of Health Certificate of Need and Licensing.

² <http://www.nj.gov/treasury/revenue/debarment/debarsearch.shtml>

- Comply with applicable federal limitations as dictated by the applicable federal grants.

Proposal Procedure: Effective January 31, 2024 the RFP is available at www.state.nj.us/humanservices/providers/grants/rfprfi/index.html and www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dmhas/provider/funding/

A proposal must be submitted that comports with the RFP requirements and instructions.

Proposal Receiving Office:

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Submission Deadline: Proposals must be received by 4:00 p.m. ET on March 27, 2024.

January 30, 2024

Sarah Adelman, Commissioner

Date