## **NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY**

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES

## Residential Services for Individuals Discharged from Nursing Facilities

**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: Residential Services for Individuals Discharged from Nursing Facilities

**Purpose:** This Request for Proposals (RFP) is issued by the New Jersey Department of Human Services (DHS), Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) for Level A+ residential services<sup>1</sup> for eligible individuals<sup>2</sup> with medical needs. This RFP is to develop a level A+ residential program for those with a mental health diagnosis and medical needs discharged from a nursing facility.

**Available Funding Amount:** Total annualized funding for the deficit funded contract is \$420,000 each subject to State appropriations. DMHAS anticipates making up to four (4) awards, five (5) beds each.

DMHAS anticipates making a total of four (4) awards to provide services to twenty (20) individuals in the following four (4) regions:

Region 1 (Sussex, Passaic, Bergen, Warren, Morris, Essex, Hudson)

Region 2 (Hunterdon, Somerset, Union)

Region 3 (Mercer, Middlesex, Monmouth, Ocean)

Region 4 (Burlington, Camden, Gloucester, Salem, Cumberland, Atlantic, Cape May)

Up to \$600,000 in one-time Capital funding may be requested for the purchase of a single-story home with sufficient bedroom accommodations for five (5) individual consumer residents and the requisite staff. Additionally, up to \$100,000 in one-time capital funding may be made available for physical modifications to a site either purchased, owned, or in a long-term lease by the bidder.

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

- The bidder may be a non-profit or for-profit entity or governmental entity;
- The bidder must be licensed by the Department of Health Certificate of Need Licensing Office (CN&L) prior to the start of services;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See N.J.A.C. 10:37A for Level A+ Program rules.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 10:37A-1.1, Level A+ services are provided to persons 18 years of age or older with mental illnesses who require assistance, temporarily or permanently, in order to live independently in the community.

- 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 <u>New Jersey Consolidated Debarment</u> <u>Report</u><sup>3</sup> or be suspended or debarred by any other State or Federal entity from receiving funds;
- The bidder must not employ a member of the Board of Directors as an employee or in a consultant capacity; and
- 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
- Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-44, a for-profit bidder and each proposed subcontractor must have a valid Business Registration Certificate on file with the Division of Revenue. (This statutory requirement does not apply to non-profit organizations, private colleges and universities, or state and municipal agencies).

**Proposal Procedure:** April 3, 2024 the RFP is available at <a href="https://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/providers/grants/rfprfi/index.html">www.state.nj.us/humanservices/providers/grants/rfprfi/index.html</a> and <a href="https://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dmhas/provider/funding/">www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dmhas/provider/funding/</a>. A proposal must be submitted that comports with the RFP requirements and instructions.

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Proposal Receiving Office:	Alicia Meyer Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services Department of Human Services 5 Commerce Way, Suite 100 PO Box 362 Trenton, NJ 08625	
<b>Submission Deadline:</b> Proposals must be received by 4:00 p.m. on May 8, 2024.		
Sarah Adelman, Commissioner		Date

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> http://www.nj.gov/treasury/revenue/debarment/debarsearch.shtml