NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

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

Outpatient Services for Individuals who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing

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: Outpatient Services for Individuals who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing

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) to develop outpatient and case management service capacity for adults who are Deaf or hard of hearing. DMHAS anticipates issuing one (1) contract award to provide clinical and case management mental health services utilizing American Sign Language (ASL) for individuals who are Deaf or hard of hearing who are in need mental health outpatient or case management services in any of the following counties; Atlantic, Cape May, Camden, Burlington, Monmouth, Mercer, Middlesex, Ocean, Cumberland, Gloucester and Salem Counties.

Available Funding Amount: Total annualized funding of \$390,000 is available, subject to 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, for-profit or a government entity;
- The bidder must be licensed by the Department of Health (DOH), Certificate of Need and Licensing Office, prior to the start of outpatient services;
- 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 (PoC) 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 at http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/revenue/debarment/debarsearch.shtml or be suspended or debarred by any other State or Federal entity from receiving funds;
- The bidder shall not employ a member of the Board of Directors in a consultant capacity;

- 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 Department of Treasury. The statutory requirement does not apply to non-profit organizations, private colleges and universities, or state and municipal agencies;
- The bidder must participate in the Mandatory Bidders Zoom Meeting as described in the RFP: and
- The bidder must conform to the requirements of the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (RID) Certification or use service providers that adhere to these certification requirements.

Proposal Procedure: Effective October 19, 2020, 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.

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Submission Deadline: Proposals must be received by 4:00 p.m. on November 25, 2020.

Notification Date: Bidders will be notified on or before December 28, 2020.

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Carole Johnson, Commissioner	Date	