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NOTICE OF PROPOSED SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT

SOLICITATION NO. 17-125

SOLE SOURCE POSTING- Brief Strategic Family Therapy (BSFT) and Moral Recognition Therapy (MRT)

RESPONSES ARE DUE PRIOR TO: November 15, 2017 12:00:00 PM EST

RESPONSES MAY BE SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY TO:
ccarnes@co.genesee.mi.us

RESPONSES MAY BE MAILED OR DELIVERED TO:
Genesee County
Purchasing Department
1101 Beach Street Room 343
Flint MI 48502

A situation created due to the inability to obtain competition

Requested Action

Provide services for evidences based Family Support for delinquent youth

Amount: \$140,000 annual

Funding Account: Family Support

For the period: effective beginning December 1, 2017

Purpose: To provide Brief Strategic Family Therapy (BSFT) and Moral Recognition Therapy (MRT)

Discussion

Easter Seals of Michigan is trained to provide the below listed evidenced-based therapies for delinquent youth. The agency has been providing the services for Girls Court participants for the last few years with success. It would be beneficial to expand the services to all eligible youth under the jurisdiction of the Court, not just limit to a few participants of a problem-solving court. Easter Seals of Michigan is currently trained in the therapies; both therapies require expensive and extensive training. The Court is not aware of any other local agency trained to provide the

services. Expanding services with the current trained and experienced provider will be beneficial to the court involved youth, will allow for continued service for current participants without disruption, while expanding the services to more youth.

Evidenced Based Practice Descriptions:

Brief Strategic Family Therapy (BSFT)

BSFT is an Evidence Based Practice that targets children ages of 6-18 with conduct problems, behavioral problems, substance use, problematic family relations, and association with antisocial peers. Key program approaches focus on parent-child interactions, family systems therapy, parent training, skill development, and family interactions. BSFT can be implemented in a variety of settings and is delivered weekly in 1-1.5 hour blocks with the family present. The program is delivered over the course of 12-16 weeks, but is most often doubled for severe cases.

Moral Recognition Therapy (MRT)

Moral Recognition Therapy (MRT), an NREPP program, is the premiere cognitive-behavioral program for substance abuse treatment and for offender populations. MRT for Adolescents can be used for children age 12-18 and a variety of juvenile settings, probation and parole, community corrections, diversion programs, in private treatment settings, in welfare-to-work programs, educational settings, drug/mental health/juvenile courts, and elsewhere. The program has 16 Steps with 12 of these typically completed in 30 group sessions held in accordance with the implementation sites own needs and characteristics. Clients complete homework for each group prior to coming to a session. In group each client presents his or her homework and the facilitator passes the client to the next step or has the client redo the homework based on objective criteria. MRT groups are open-ended meaning that new clients can enter an ongoing group at any time. Each group session will usually have new clients, as well as, some finishing the program. All MRT facilitators must complete basic MRT training.

Submission Instructions and Format of Response from Objecting Parties

Interested parties who have reason to believe that the Easter Seals award should not be approved as a sole source should provide information in the following format for the county to use in determining whether or not to proceed with awarding the Sole Source contract to Easter Seals.

1. Interested Party Information
 - a. Contact Name, Phone Number and email address
 - b. Company Website URL, if applicable
2. Objection to Sole Source Award
 - a. Interest parties must present specific objects to the Sole Source approval.
 - b. A statement regarding the Interested Party's capabilities as related to the Sole Source request.
3. Comments will be accepted any time prior to November 15, 2017 12:00:00 PM EST to Cindy Carnes at ccarnes@co.genesee.mi.us or at Genesee County, Purchasing Department, 1101 Beach Street Room 343, Flint, MI 48502. It is the sole responsibility of the Interested Parties that responses reach the purchasing department on time.
4. Response must be labeled with:
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