

MHSOAC

Mental Health Services
Oversight and Accountability Commission

ADDENDUM #1
Issued: December 22, 2010

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS #10-70134-000
Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission's (MHSOAC's)
Expanded Statewide Evaluation of the Mental Health Services Act (MHSa)

The changes in this Addendum shall be included in the RFP and this Addendum shall be part of the RFP documents. All conditions not affected by this Addendum shall remain unchanged.

Following are questions received about the solicitation and our responses:

Question 1: Can we have the documents provided to us in Word format instead of just PDF so that we can easily add text to these documents?

Response 1: The attachments are issued in Word as a part of this Addendum.

Question 2: How technical should our proposal be?

Response 2: The scoring criteria are available in Attachment 12. Sufficient information should be provided within allowable page limits for the reviewers to be able to evaluate the proposals consistent with the specified criteria.

Question 3: Who will be on the panel to review these proposals? Will it be a mix of consumers, policy analysts and researchers?

Response 3: Please see Section M starting on page 22 of the RFP for a detailed explanation of the review process.

Question 4: Regarding the MHSa/system of care statutes on page 9 of the RFP, can you please specify the specific statutes that are being referred to? Is there a list available of what types of outcomes are consistent with the MHSa/system of care statutes?

Response 4: The statutes that govern the MHSa and systems of care are in Division 5 of the Welfare and Institutions Code. The Performance Indicator Proposal for the Mental Health Services Act by the California Mental Health Planning Council provides a summary of operationalized indicators primarily based on the MHSa and system of care statutes. Link is http://www.mhsoac.ca.gov/docs/ContractingOpportunities/Eval_120110_CMHPC_Perf_Indicators.pdf

Question 5: What exactly does general system development (described in objective 2 on page 9) mean?

Response 5: General System Development Service Category is defined in the California Code of Regulations, Title 9, Division 1, Chapter 14, Section 3200.170.

Question 6: Is there a link between the concepts in objective 1 and the concepts in objective 2? If so, what is the link?

Response 6: A crucial link between these two objectives is that both relate to outcomes expected through the MHSA investment in the Community Services and Supports component.

Question 7: In Objective 1, part a, it is stated. "Determine the financial impact of outcomes achieved by identifying any cost avoidances, cost offsets and/or compare expenditures for FSPs for at least one age group to average costs associated with reductions in negative quality of life indicators and change since enrollment in the program." Does this mean that, for at least one age group, the proposer should determine the cost offsets for individuals in the FSP program relative to individuals not in the FSP program AND/OR the cost to improve positive outcomes (and reduce negative outcomes) for individuals in the FSP program relative to individuals not in the FSP program?

Response 7:

Proposers should describe their strategies to achieve the objectives. No additional information will be provided.

Question 8: Will those who have expressed the intention to bid on this RFP be informed of other interested applicants in order to communicate possible interest in subcontracting? If not, is the only way to express interest in subcontracting through placing an ad on BidSync (such as the ads that are visible on page dedicated to this RFP)?

Response 8: We received 14 "Notices of Intent to Apply". The company names and contact information are listed below:

Proposer Name	Contact name	Phone
Behavioral Health Concepts, Inc.	Lisa Lloyd	573-446-0405
Behavioral Health Industry News, Inc. DBA Open Minds	Pamela Caras	717-334-1329
Blue Sky Resources	James Dritsas	559-433-9675
Booz Allen Hamilton	Dixie Peratt	619-680-4861
Cambria Solutions, Inc.	Anand Adoni	916-326-4446
John Snow, Inc.	Rachel Tobi	415-400-0003
Mercer Health and Benefits, LLC	Branch McNeal	602-522-6599
NAMI California	Jessica Cruz	916-567-0163
RAND Corporation	Gary Chee	310-393-0411 x 6791
Todd Franke – UCLA & Elizabeth Harris - EMT	Todd Franke	310-312-9202
UC San Diego	Todd Gilmer	858-534-7596
UC Berkeley	Noam Pines	510-643-3891
University Enterprises, Inc. (CSUS)	David Earwicker	916-278-3668
Walter McDonald & Associates, Inc.	Martin Rowland	916-239-4020 x 250

Posting an advertisement on BidSync is an easy and efficient way for potential subcontractors to get their company information noticed by prime contractors that are interested in submitting a proposal, however, those wishing to subcontract can contact interested proposers directly to discuss services they can provide and attempt to partner with a prime proposer.

There are also searchable databases of California certified small and disabled veteran businesses useful for locating contractors and subcontractors to work with at <http://search.cadvbe.org/dvbes/search> and <https://www.bidsync.com/DPXBisCASB?ac=publicsearch>. Using these businesses as subcontractors has advantages in the scoring portion of the evaluations, too.

Question 9: Will there be a bidder's conference scheduled prior to the Deadline to Apply?

Response 9: No.