

RFA Question & Answers 2008

1. Do you want the contract signed and sent back with the application?

Yes

2. What order do you want all the information in?

Refer to page 3 of 3 on the RFA document,

Getting the RFA out of order is probably not a technicality that will get it thrown out right?

It's pretty easy to put those three in that order.

So if we don't get them in that order it'll get thrown out?

I would say that if you don't follow the application submission requirements there is the possibility that your RFA may not be approved.

Is that (holds up the contract) considered the bilateral contract?

Yes

In the community based contract on page 13, number 5 under fees for services where we can't charge fees for counseling services.

As long as you show the revenue as a portion of the budget and are able to differentiate between the two it would be all right. Treat it as income or projected income from another source. **This section V. A. 5. will be deleted from the contract. Covered under III. A. Contractor shall not restrict access to services under this contract bases on the service recipient's inability or refusal to pay for such services.**

Page 3 of 18 under section B CARS number 1 Clarification on Title XIX.

The intent is that we maximize the funding that for services under this contract. It is not the intent that we must or shall bill TXIX before State Dollars. An amendment will state that more clearly. We will look at Title 10 to clarify this.

On page 3 of 18 change:

Contractor shall maximize the receipt of revenue from federal funds or other available revenue sources and will only bill OJA for services that have not been reimbursed by federal funds or other sources.

To this:

Contractor shall make every reasonable effort to maximize the receipt of revenue from federal funds or other available revenue sources.

There is a statement later in the contract that contractor may seek additional funding from another source to supplement the service provided, is this what you are wanting us to do.

Yes

I am still not clear on this billing Title XIX first, because we took that out last year and are we going to have to go back to determine whether or not a child is Title XIX eligible and get signed off by the District Supervisor and all that?

It is understood that it is more work and that it is more difficult, I also understand that we are in a fiscal crunch, and that we are leaving dollars on the table. As far as procedures that were done in the past, I can't answer those right now, because I don't know those procedures.

In the big meeting that we had last fall here at OAYS, the Director when we were talking about CARF and all this he said we were not going to require this and now the contract is saying we are going to require this.

It was the intention for you to maximize efforts to access funding if we need to reword it so that it is more comfortable for you guys we are open to that.

It is also an issue that in certain areas of the State we can not hire eligible people to provide these services, and it would cut my services in half, so if you can clarify this issue.

I am saying that we will look into this.

Talking about explaining it to the DS and the local JSU workers.

We will do this.

Any more questions concerning Title XIX?

One of the areas that have not been addressed is labeling children for first time offenders have be referred to CARS and they need a medical diagnoses for minor offenses.

We understand that argument.

Sometimes we can hire someone, but they have a full caseload...

I think that if you explain it in that way

The question on order on page 3 of 3 it talks about the evaluation criteria and how it corresponds to the RFA. I couldn't find anything that correlated with program plan, could find places where everything fit just right into the RFA document.

The agency goals and objectives are under number 5 program plan would be 4 A-I 5 a 6 a-c.

Targets youth 10 – 17 is that going to that narrowly defined?

Is there a different age group you would like to target as your group? (Answer Birth to 17) Then put that in the RFA as the expansion to the performance indicator. Just explain the target population in your application.

Page 2 of attachment "A" Asking for hours for FY 07 are you wanting an estimate?

Yes, based upon current hours and projected hours.

On the application Attachment "A" talks about peer review, it asks for the results of our last peer review?

I understand that everyone peer review will not be completed before the RFA is due so the latest or last peer review that you have a report for, regardless of year should be submitted, however, next year, David and I have already talked and that they will all be done before the submission deadline.

Due date for next peer review?

During FY 08, just recognize that it is an annual process.

Contract page 13 of 18, Self-assessment performance report, is there a format?

No

Page numbers missing from contracts?

Will fix

Page 13 of 18 number 4, licensing standards, what if you do not have a shelter?

If applicable needs to be added.

Are you going to make changes to the contract based upon what we are talking about today? And then post it on the web?

We will do an addendum.

If you come up with any other questions, you can submit them up until you submit your RFA.

I understand this will be the last large gathering before the RFA is due, but questions will still be able to be asked and submitted and then answered and posted on the website.

Yes, but if there are a large number of question or if the agencies or OJA feels it necessary to have a non-mandatory meeting, we could have one of those.

Have the question that have been submitted thus far been posted on the website?

Yes

Are the two agencies that are not members getting this update?

Yes

Budget question concerning rounding dollar amounts, should I be over or under the amount?

Go under, but we will make sure we get you the money.

Section 5 A of contract (page 11 of 18) states only 18 years younger.

The contract actually places emphasizes on that age group, it doesn't not preclude from others.

The contracts are now combined, is there anyway that we can have only one set of rates? It gets confusing going back and forth, because they are different, is there anyway we can have only one set of rates?

The rates are the same; it is the services that are different.

It states somewhere in the contract that our drug policy and or grievance policy has to meet the approval.

It would be beneficial to submit policy and or procedure required by the contract for approval. That way you could have a piece of paper stating that it was. There are a couple of language cleanups that were agreed upon under last years RFP that will be included in the addendum.

The allocation numbers are the same as they have been in the past, what about amounts in CARS where agencies are providing services in detention and the like.

This last year we held in reserve monies and allocated based upon need. We are going to do it the same way this year and we will make additional allocations as needed.

Page 2 of 18 contract #2 b CBYS fixed rate Why is this not in the cost reimbursement part of the contract?

Changed via the amendment.

Ownership of equipment and Rates Based Contracts

Only for cost reimbursement contracts

Terms of contract page 2 of 18 changes in the latter of July1, 2007 date "or" "of"

Part of changes of addendum the word "or the" is missing

Can you tell me the process after submission?

The RFA will be due on May 23, 2007. We will review applications for responsiveness, If needed we will ask for clarifications, if needed negotiations, then by June 16, 2007 make

recommendations. Pos Issued **THIS DEADLINE HAS BEEN EXTENDED TO 5:00 P. M. MAY 29, 2007**

Where do you want the claims sent?

Send to the physical address, Attention CBYSD.

Are the three ring binders requires

Yes

Do you want 3000 pages for the RFA or do you want it readable and usable.

I want it to be usable readable and what best reflects your organization. I don't want filler, Tell me what you are going to do and how you are going to do it.

You are asking on page 3 of 5 RFA copying for each program.

Yes for each program CARS, CBYS, FIRST OFFENDER, and SHELTER. However, if you want to breakout individual you can.

On last years cost principles you defined allowable and unallowable costs still cover this contract

Yes _____