

## ADDENDUM THREE, QUESTIONS and ANSWERS 2<sup>ND</sup> ROUND

Date: February 27, 2019

To: All Bidders

From: Annette Walton / Nancy Storant, Buyers  
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RE: Addendum for Request for Proposal Number 5995 Z1 to be opened April 4, 2019 at 2:00 p.m.  
Central Time

### Questions and Answers

Following are the questions submitted and answers provided for the above mentioned Request for Proposal. The questions and answers are to be considered as part of the RFP. It is the Bidder's responsibility to check the State Purchasing Bureau website for all addenda or amendments.

| Question Number | RFP Section Reference                 | RFP Page Number | Question                                                                                                                                                                                               | State Response                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
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| 1.              | V.A.4. and V.A.5.                     | 25              | Is there an expectation that all licensed foster homes are Resource Family Homes?                                                                                                                      | Yes. The goal for DHHS is o have all licensed foster homes provide visitation and mentoring to caretakers in order to speed the reunification process.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 2.              | V.A.4., V.A.5., and Glossary of Terms | 25, vi-xii      | There is no definition for "licensed foster home" or "foster home" in the Glossary of Terms section. Please provide a clear differentiation between "licensed foster home" and "resource family home." | <p>Foster home - General term used for out-of-home care placement in a family setting. This could include Relative Foster Home, Kinship foster Home or Licensed Foster Home licensed through an Agency Supported Foster Care contractor.</p> <p>Licensed Foster Home, or Licensed Foster Care Home – The term used for a foster home that has met State requirements for licensure as a Licensed Foster Care Home.</p> <p>The Resource Family Home is required o be a Licensed Foster Care Home and the bidder should propose a model that would fit the requirements of the RFP. (Resource Family Service, which includes the</p> |

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|    |          |    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <p>delivery of foster care services, respite care, family support and visitation services to children and families residing in the state of Nebraska. The objectives of the Resource family are focused on 1). Delivering high quality foster care and wraparound services for families whose children have been removed from the home of the caretaker; 2) Implement evidence-based models of foster care to the Child Welfare service array in order to meet the requirements of the Families First Prevention Service Act, and; 3) Integrating a family-focused and family driven approach that builds protective factors in families. The roles and responsibilities of the Resource Family is to provide care for children removed from their caretaker; mentoring for caretakers whose children have been placed in the Resource Family home; visitation between the caretaker and the child; engagement with and support of the caretaker; provide transportation for child to and from appointments, school, and school activities, and; maintain level of normalcy for the child to the extent possible.</p> |
| 3. | V.A.9.d. | 32 | <p>Is the expectation that the North Carolina Family Assessment Scale be completed for every youth receiving case management, irrespective of their legal (court vs. non-court) or placement (in-home vs out-of-home) status?</p> <p>If yes, then is this required to be completed by the caseworker or can this be completed by a service</p> | <p>Yes. The North Carolina Family Assessment should be completed internally for every family receiving case management services.</p> <p>The North Carolina Family Assessment is required to be completed by the case worker.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

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| 4. | V.C.5.j. and V.C.5.k. | 36 | <p>Currently relative placements and kinship placements are considered “out of home” as there is a removal from the parent. Going forward, under FFPSA:</p> <p>1. Will there be times when a child is placed with a relative, but not considered a removal? If yes, then:</p> <p>a. Will this placement be paid? If yes, then will the Nebraska Caregivers Responsibilities (NCR) tool determine the rate? If not the NCR, then what will determine the rate?</p> <p>b. Will these relatives be considered resource parents?</p> <p>c. Will the placement need to be provisionally licensed?</p> <p>2. Will there be times when a child is placed with a non-relative (fictive kin), but not considered a removal? If yes, then:</p> <p>a. Will this placement be paid? If yes, will the Nebraska Caregivers Responsibilities (NCR) tool determine the rate? If not the NCR, then what will determine the rate?</p> <p>b. Will these fictive kin be considered resource parents?</p> <p>c. Will the placement need to be provisionally licensed?</p> | <p>1. Yes.</p> <p>1a. No. Informal living arrangements can be identified and utilized by the family. This is an informal support and does not receive foster care payments.</p> <p>1b. No.</p> <p>1c. No.</p> <p>2. Yes. Removals are completed by law enforcement or the courts. Families can be engaged in informal living arrangements on their own.</p> <p>2a. No. These are supportive services identified by the family to assist them in times of crisis.</p> <p>2b. No.</p> <p>2c. No.</p> |
| 5. | V.D.9.                | 38 | How many youth are currently being served through the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children (ICPC) in the ESA?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 43 youth are currently being served through ICPC in the ESA.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |

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| 6. | V.H.8.a.                                                             | 43                                         | The RFP calls for monthly financial statements prepared using the accrual method according to GAAP. In our monthly reconciliations, we have found that it works well to produce financial statements using paid claims only for expenses (partially cash method). If the year-end financials are prepared using the accrual method, would the State be open to negotiating the best method to produce the monthly financial statements? | DHHS requires the accrual method for monthly financials due to timeliness of information.  |
| 7. | VI.A.2.i, Attachment Six (REQ # CO-3), and Question 90 of Addendum 2 | 57, Attach. Six Pg 2, and Addendum 2 pg 16 | We currently have over 300 staff working on the case management subaward, is a resume required for each of them? If no, then please identify the minimum project personnel that bidders are required to include resumes for.                                                                                                                                                                                                            | No. Please send resumes for CEO, COO, CFO, Director of CQI, and Case management directors. |

This addendum will become part of the proposal and should be acknowledged with the Request for Proposal response.