

Accelerate Progress for Students

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# <u>DATE</u>: 12/15/2021 <u>RFP NUMBER</u>: 22-032RR <u>RFP TITLE</u>: Psychological Services for the Special Education Department <u>ADDENDUM NUMBER</u>: 1

See Question and Answers

**Question:** In regards to Albuquerque Public Schools' recently released RFP for Psychological Services for Special Education Department, is there any chance the district would consider proposals from companies that ONLY provide tele-therapy?

**<u>Response</u>**: No, Albuquerque Public Schools will not consider proposals from companies that only provide Tele-therapy.

Question: Who are the current vendors providing services?

**Response:** Ardor Health Solutions, Scott Blackwell, Joseph Cardillo PhD,Easi Therapy & Diagnostic Services, EBS-Educational Based Services, EDU Healthcare,Emily Driver Moore, PhD, My Therapy Company & Riddle Price Associates.

Question: Are your current vendors meeting your needs?

Response: Yes

**Question:** What is the anticipated award date?

**Response:** February 2022

Question: How will vendors be notified of award?

**Response:** Vendors will be notified with an Award Letter.

**Question:** What are the currently hourly bill rates by vendor?

**Response:** The pricing varies from \$63.00 to \$120.00 hourly.

Question: How many billable hours are in a school day?

Response: 6.5 Hours

**Question:** What is the anticipated # of full-time or # of part-time positions?

**Response:** At this time, 11 full or part time positions.

Question: Is the vendor expected to have a clinic or local office?

**<u>Response:</u>** Preferred, but not necessary.

**Question:** Will assigned candidates have access to materials, supplies, equipment, evaluation kits, and protocols provided by your schools?

### Response: No

**Question:** Will assigned candidates have access to computers/laptops and printers provided by your schools?

Response: No

Question: Can pricing increase during the term of the contract?

**Response:** Yes, a price escalation can be requested annually.

**Question:** Do you require resumes of potential contracted candidates to be included in our submission?

#### Response: Yes

**Question:** Do you require the candidate license verification to be included in our submission?

#### Response: Yes

**Question:** Is it the school's expectation to hire the candidates we will include in our proposal response if we are awarded?

**Response:** If they are interviewed and are selected.

Question: How many candidates/resumes will you need per discipline?

**Response:** As many as we can currently interview.

**Question:** What is the length of the contract term?

**<u>Response:</u>** The contract term is four years.

Question: Does the district reimburse for mileage for travel between schools?

Response: No

Question: Does the District plan to issue RFPs for other related services?

Response: Yes

**Question:** Do you have a preference for how we bind our bids, i.e. 3-ring binder, binder clip, stapled, etc?

**Response:** Please refer to the Request for Proposal.

**Question:** Will this be a single or multi-vendor award?

Response: Multi-Vendor Award.

Question: What would be the estimated weekly hours of service for each School Psychologist?

Response: 32.5 hours.

Question: How many School Psychologists do you foresee needing?

Response: Currently 11.

**<u>Question</u>**: What would be the average student caseload and number of schools served by the School Psychologists?

**Response:** They would be evaluators who would serve the entire District.

Question: How many working days will contractors work during the school year?

Response: 194 Days.

**Question:** Can the vendor incur any monetary penalties or be liable for any damages for not having a contracted provider available in a timely manner?

**Response:** No monetary penalties, but could impact future assignments.

**Question:** Will your District provide laptops/computers, testing/evaluation materials, required equipment, and an email account to the contracted providers during their assignment?

## Response: No

**Question:** Can you provide the incumbent vendor(s) names and rates providing the School Psychology services? Has your current vendor(s) been able to meet your service needs?

### Response: Yes

**<u>Question</u>**: Will Albuquerque Public Schools consider an hourly rate *range* depending on the candidates' level of experience **or** does the district only want a fixed hourly rate for service?

**Response:** Fixed Hourly Rate.

**Question:** What is the annual expenditure available or projected for this contract?

**Response:** Depends on how many candidates are hired.

## ACKNOWLEDGE ADDENDUM WITH SUBMITTED PROPOSAL: Addenda not signed and returned may consider the RFP non-responsive and may be rejected.

**COMPANY/FIRM NAME** 

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