REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) PSYCHOLOGISTS FOR EVALUATIONS

Alta California Regional Center (ACRC) is accepting letters of interest for the following service:

Service Code / Type: Licensed psychologists to provide psychological evaluations to ACRC client applicants. The assessments will include children and/or adults to consider diagnoses of intellectual disability (ID) and/or autism spectrum disorder (ASD).

Reimbursement: A negotiated rate up to the statewide median rate set by DDS.

Please note that there is no startup funding attached to this RFP, however, the requested services match present unmet need in the target communities. More detail regarding specific populations to be served will be made available at the scheduled RFP orientation.

Location to be served: Sacramento, Placer, Yolo, El Dorado, Sutter, Yuba, Colusa, Nevada, Sierra, and Alpine Counties

Agency Overview:

Alta California Regional Center (ACRC) is a private, non-profit corporation working under contract with the State of California, Department of Developmental Services, to provide services to persons, age zero to three, who are at-risk of developing a developmental disability, and three and above, who have been diagnosed with a developmental disability. Alta California Regional Center creates partnerships to support all eligible individuals with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities, children at risk, and their families in choosing services and supports through individual lifelong planning as a means to achieve healthy and productive lives in their own communities. ACRC envisions a community where individuals with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities are valued members who are treated with dignity and respect.

ACRC serves Alpine, Colusa, El Dorado, Nevada, Placer, Sacramento, Sierra, Sutter, Yolo, and Yuba counties. Please visit our website, <u>www.altaregional.org</u> for more information about our organization.

Description of Requested Service:

ACRC desires to partner with individuals that shall provide psychological evaluations to ACRC client applicants. The ACRC client applicants will be children and/or adults to be considered for diagnoses of intellectual disability (ID) and/or autism spectrum disorder (ASD) as part of ACRC's eligibility process. ACRC client applicant assessments include standardized measures, review of records, obtaining pertinent history, and a consideration of differential diagnoses.

Applicant Eligibility:

Interested RFP applicants must have either a PhD or PsyD in psychology and a valid license with the California Board of Psychology. Additionally, applicants must have at least two years of professional experience performing psychological evaluations that include intellectual assessments; including a minimum of one year experience with developmental disabilities. Additionally, experience with ASD evaluations are highly preferred.

Applicants must be proficient at administering and interpreting the following assessments:

- Standardized Intelligence Tests (e.g. most current versions of the Wechsler Scales, Stanford-Binet, and/or Differential Abilities Scale)
- Standardized Adaptive Measures (e.g. most current versions of the ABAS and/or Vineland)
- Autism Diagnostic Observation Schedule, Second Edition (ADOS-2). Please note that attending the 2-day ADOS-2 training workshop is not sufficient to be considered proficient. An applicant must have some supervised experience with ADOS-2 score.

Application Process:

Interested parties shall initiate the application process by registering for attendance to an RFP orientation scheduled for 9am on October 15, 2019. The registration link can be found here, https://portal.altaregional.org/apps/extraining/index.cfm

Further details relating to the populations to be served and submittal & review of proposals will be covered at this time.

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