

Responses to Questions for IFB# 1002
Psychiatric Services at Red Hook Residential Center

Q1	My company is a staffing and recruitment firm. We recruit and staff medical professionals for our healthcare clients. Is Red Hook Residential Center looking to engage in a contract with a staffing firm or firm that provides actual healthcare services?
A1	All bidders who satisfy the requirements noted in sections 3.2 through 3.5 are eligible. Due to the nature of the requested services, locum tenen vendors and temporary staffing agencies are not eligible to bid on this procurement.
Q2	Why is the contract out for bid? Is it required to be put out for bid?
A2	The current contract for psychiatry services is ending 9/30/19. Psychiatry services is a required service that must be provided continuously in the facility.
Q3	Is Red Hook Residential Center satisfied with the current provider(s) of services?
A3	OCFS's satisfaction with the current vendor has no bearing on this procurement. The current provider is welcome to submit a bid if they choose to.
Q4	What would Red Hook Residential Center like to see with the awarded vendor and their approach to the request?
A4	Please refer to Section 1.1 and 3.2 in the IFB.
Q5	Are we required to submit pricing for all titles included in the RFP?
A5	There is one position for psychiatry services available at Red Hook Residential Center. An hourly rate is required with the bid submission.
Q6	What factors will Red Hook Residential Center be considering when making an award?
A6	The offeror meeting all the minimum qualifications stated in the IFB, passing vendor responsibility review and offering the lowest hourly rate for the location, will be awarded a contract.
Q7	How many vendors is Red Hook Residential Center planning on awarding?
A7	It is the intention of the State to award a single contract to the awarded offeror.
Q8	If more than one, will there be primary, secondary, tertiary, etc. status for vendors?
A8	It is the intention of the State to award a single contract to the awarded offeror.
Q9	If more than one firm is awarded and there isn't a tier system, how will jobs get distributed to firms?
A9	It is the intention of the State to award a single contract to the awarded offeror.
Q10	How many Psychiatrists does Red Hook Residential Center need?
A10	There is one position available at Red Hook Residential Center.
Q11	How many hours per week will this title work?
A11	Please refer to Section 1.1, 3.2 and 3.3 in the IFB.
Q12	Typically, how long are the assignments?
A12	The preferred candidate must be available for the start date of the contract resulting from this procurement. Due to the nature of this service, the same candidate must be available for the duration of this contract to provide consistency for the youth in OCFS care. The contract period for this IFB will be for a three (3) year period.
Q13	How many hours did this title work in 2016, 2017, and 2018?
A13	This information is not readily available. A FOIL would be required for this information.
Q14	What was the spend on this contract in 2016, 2017, and 2018?
A14	This information is not readily available. A FOIL would be required for this information.
Q15	What is expected annual spend for this contract?

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A15	The contract value will be determined by the hours contained in the IFB multiplied by the rate bid by the awarded vendor. The actual amount spent in the base year of the contract will be determined by actual hours worked during the year and may be different than the amount contained in the IFB. OCFS made a best estimate of the hours required for this position.
Q16	Has Red Hook Residential Center contracted for these services in the past?
A16	Yes.
Q17	If yes, what was Red Hook Residential Center charged?
A17	This information is not readily available. A FOIL would be required for this information.
Q18	Who were/are the previous incumbent(s)?
A18	This information is not readily available. A FOIL would be required for this information.
Q19	How many vendors does Red Hook Residential Center currently work with for clinician and therapist recruitment?
A19	The question is not clear. We are unsure of what is being asked.
Q20	Is this RFP seeking new firms to add on to the current vendor panel or bring in completely new vendors?
A20	OCFS is seeking one vendor to provide these services.
Q21	Is Red Hook Residential Center seeking bidders with the lowest price? If not, what other considerations are they taking into account when evaluating proposals?
A21	This procurement is being filled via an Invitation for Bid (IFB). The preferred offeror meeting all the minimum qualifications, passing vendor responsibility review and offering the lowest hourly rate for the location will be awarded a contract.