

Financial Affairs
Richard H. Hinds, Chief Financial Officer

SUBJECT: RENEWAL OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL #126-VV10 – COUNSELING SERVICES IN NINE PROGRAMS WITH FULL-TIME CLASSES FOR EMOTIONALLY HANDICAPPED OR SEVERELY EMOTIONALLY DISTURBED STUDENTS

The purpose of this request for proposal, opened on September 30, 1997, was to establish a contract, at firm prices, to select one or more agencies in the field of mental health to provide weekly group and/or individual counseling to students assigned to full-time classes for the emotionally handicapped (EH) or the severely emotionally disturbed (SED), whose Individual Educational Plans (IEP's) indicate the need for these services. Counseling services were required for programs in nine (9) schools district-wide, for the Division of Exceptional Student Education. The terms of agreement, as contained in the subject proposal, awarded by the Board on October 22, 1997, and renewed on June 10, 1998, provided, that by mutual agreement between the successful vendors and The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, the contract may be renewed for two (2) additional one (1) year periods. The contract is currently in its first renewal period. The awardees have agreed to renew for the final one (1) year renewal period, by letter, on file. It is considered to be in the best interest of the Board to renew this proposal, for an additional one (1) year period, at the current prices, to benefit from fixed prices during the next twelve (12) months, since the Consumer Price Index (CPI) indicates an increase of 3.3%.

Fund Source
0100-General

M/WBE Eligibility
None

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, **RENEW** Request for Proposal #126-VV10 – COUNSELING SERVICES IN NINE PROGRAMS WITH FULL-TIME CLASSES FOR EMOTIONALLY HANDICAPPED OR SEVERELY EMOTIONALLY DISTURBED STUDENTS, to establish a contract, at firm prices, to provide

weekly group and/or individual counseling to students assigned to full-time classes for the emotionally handicapped (EH) or the severely emotionally disturbed (SED), whose Individual Educational Plans (IEP's) indicate the need for these services. Counseling services are required for programs in nine (9) schools district-wide, for the Division of Exceptional Student Education, during the term of the proposal, effective July 1, 1999, through June 30, 2000, as follows:

1. BERTHA ABESS CHILDREN'S CENTER, INC.
10800 BISCAYNE BLVD., SUITE 200
MIAMI, FL 33161 ESTIMATE \$86,625
CAROLYN JENKINS - JAEGER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Sites: 5
Total Hours: 2,475
Fee: \$35 per hour

2. CENTER FOR LEARNING NEEDS AND PSYCHOLOGICAL INTERVENTIONS, P.A.
1395 NW 167 STREET, SUITE 110
MIAMI, FL 33169 ESTIMATE \$31,680
DR. MICHAEL P. RIZZO, DIRECTOR

Sites: 2
Total Hours: 792
Fee: \$40 per hour

3. EUGENE E. MULDAVIN, LCSW
7600 RED ROAD, SUITE 215
SOUTH MIAMI, FL 33143 ESTIMATE \$19,800
OWNER: EUGENE E. MULDAVIN, LCSW PRESIDENT

Sites: 1
Total Hours: 495
Fee: \$40 per hour

4. NEW HORIZONS COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH CENTER, INC.
1313 NW 36 STREET - SUITE 400
MIAMI, FL 33142 ESTIMATE \$13,365
EVALINA BESTMAN, PH.D., EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Sites: 1
Total Hours: 297
Fee: \$45 per hour

(Second Annual Renewal and Final Year of Contract)

5. Authorize the Bureau of Procurement and Materials Management to purchase up to the total estimated amount of \$151,470. The award shall be made subject to the resolution of bid protests, if any.

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