

Financial Services
Richard H. Hinds, Chief Financial Officer

SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACTUAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND CR & RA INVESTMENTS, INC., D.B.A. INTEGRITY HEALTH SERVICES, PURSUANT TO REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS NO. 079-NN10 – IN-SCHOOL NURSING SERVICES (REGISTERED NURSING AND LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSING) REBID

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

**LINK TO STRATEGIC
FRAMEWORK: EDUCATION**

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS NO. 079-NN10 – IN-SCHOOL NURSING SERVICES (REGISTERED NURSING AND LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSING) REBID is to provide nursing services for the education of students with disabilities, for whom such services have been identified as necessary to access education, for the Office of Exceptional Student Education and Student Support. This is a term proposal. Five (5) proposers responded to this advertised solicitation.

The term of the proposal shall be for an initial two (2) year period and may, by mutual agreement between The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, and the awardee, be extended for three (3) additional one (1) year periods and, if needed, ninety (90) days beyond the expiration date of the current extension period.

The Office of Exceptional Student Education and Student Support has determined a need to contract with an agency which employs RNs and LPNs, who are able to provide services authorized for their specific professional discipline to students with disabilities, ages three through twenty-two. Nursing personnel provide services at approximately 230 schools, some of which have a large exceptional student population. In-school nursing services are provided to students with disabilities, whom Individual Educational Plans (IEPs) or Section 504 Accommodation Plan, indicate the need for such services, and for whom a physician's referral has been submitted, reviewed, and approved. The agency (nurse on site) will also be available as a first responder for emergencies at the school site.

The Selection Committee met to evaluate proposals received in response to the Request For Proposals on November 12, 2013. Five (5) proposals were presented for consideration: CR & RA Investments, Inc., d.b.a. Integrity Health Services; Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc.; Medical Staffing Network Healthcare, LLC; Rehabchoice, Inc., d.b.a. CSI Staffing; and SHC Services, Inc., d.b.a. Supplemental Healthcare. After considerable discussion and scoring, the Committee recommended CR & RA Investments, Inc., d.b.a. Integrity Health Services, the highest rated proposal, for award. This recommendation is based upon the evaluation criteria listed in the Request for Proposals.

A representative from the Office of Management and Compliance Audits participated in the committee meeting and the appropriate cabinet member have reviewed and concur with the item.

Strategies were employed to increase M/WBE & SBE/MBE participation and one (1) M/WBE vendor is recommended for award.

Fund Source

0100 – General

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, **AUTHORIZE** the Superintendent of Schools to enter into a contractual services agreement between The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, and CR & RA Investments, Inc., d.b.a. Integrity Health Services, pursuant to Request For Proposals No. 079-NN10 – IN-SCHOOL NURSING SERVICES (REGISTERED NURSING AND LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSING) REBID, to provide nursing services for the education of students with disabilities, for whom such services have been identified as necessary to access education, for the Office of Exceptional Student Education and Student Support, effective January 1, 2014, through December 31, 2015, including extensions thereto, as follows:

1. CR & RA INVESTMENTS, INC.
D.B.A. INTEGRITY HEALTH SERVICES
7270 N.W. 12 STREET, SUITE 800
MIAMI, FL 33126
CARLOS RIVERO, PRESIDENT
M/WBE
2. Authorize Procurement Management Services to purchase up to the total estimated amount of \$14,000,000, for the initial contract term, and an amount not to exceed \$7,000,000 for each additional one (1) year extension period. Board authorization of this recommendation does not mean the amount shown will be expended.

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