

Financial Services
Richard H. Hinds, Chief Financial Officer

**SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE
SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND
COMMUNITY HEALTH OF SOUTH FLORIDA, INC.;**
**INSTITUTE FOR CHILD AND FAMILY HEALTH; AND THE
BERTHA ABESS CHILDREN'S CENTER, INC., PURSUANT
TO REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS NO. 055-JJ10 –
PSYCHIATRIC-CONSULTATION SERVICES FOR UP TO 51
PROGRAMS WITH SELF-CONTAINED CLASSES FOR
STUDENTS WITH EMOTIONAL/BEHAVIORAL DISABILITIES**

**COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE & COMMUNITY
ENGAGEMENT**

**LINK TO DISTRICT
STRATEGIC PLAN: IMPROVE AND EXPAND STUDENT SERVICES**

Request For Proposals No. 055-JJ10 – PSYCHIATRIC-CONSULTATION SERVICES FOR UP TO 51 PROGRAMS WITH SELF-CONTAINED CLASSES FOR STUDENTS WITH EMOTIONAL/BEHAVIORAL DISABILITIES, is to provide on-site psychiatric consultation to assist in the diagnosis and programming of students assigned to self-contained classes for students with emotional/behavioral disabilities, for the Division of Special Education (SPED). This is a term proposal. Three (3) proposers responded to this advertised solicitation.

The Division of Special Education contracts with outside psychiatrists to provide on-site services for up to 51 identified programs for full-time students assigned to self-contained classes for students with emotional/behavioral disabilities. Each site will receive approximately three to four hours of on-site services every five weeks during each school year, depending on students' needs. On-site services will include direct interview/evaluation of students, consultation with parents and/or staff, case management, and professional-development activities for clinical staff, including the provision of continuing education units.

The Evaluation Committee met to evaluate proposals received in response to the Request For Proposals, on April 21, 2009. Three proposals were presented for consideration: Community Health of South Florida, Inc.; Institute for Child and Family Health; and The Bertha Abess Children's Center, Inc. After considerable deliberation, the committee recommended the three proposals for award.

Fund Source
0100 – General

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, **AUTHORIZE** the Superintendent of Schools to enter into contractual services agreements between The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, and Community Health of South Florida Inc.; Institute for Child and Family Health; and The Bertha Abess Children's Center, Inc., pursuant to Request For Proposals No. 055-JJ10 – PSYCHIATRIC CONSULTATION SERVICES FOR UP TO 51 PROGRAMS WITH SELF-CONTAINED CLASSES FOR STUDENTS WITH EMOTIONAL/BEHAVIORAL DISABILITIES, to provide on-site psychiatric consultation to assist in the diagnosis and programming of students assigned to self-contained classes for students with emotional/behavioral disabilities, for the Division of Special Education (SPED), effective July 1, 2009, through June 30, 2010, as follows:

1. **COMMUNITY HEALTH OF SOUTH FLORIDA, INC.**
10300 S.W. 216 STREET
MIAMI, FL 33190
BRODES H. HARTLEY, JR., PRESIDENT/C.E.O.

Sites: 15
Total Hours: 288
Psychiatric Consultation @ \$150 per hour.

2. **INSTITUTE FOR CHILD AND FAMILY HEALTH**
15490 N.W. 7 AVENUE
MIAMI, FL 33169
DR. ROBERT D. NOLAN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Sites: 18
Total Hours: 700
Psychiatric Consultation @ \$150 per hour.

3. THE BERTHA ABESS CHILDREN'S CENTER, INC.
5801 BISCAYNE BOULEVARD
MIAMI, FL 33137
CAROLYN JENKINS-JAEGER
C.E.O./EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Sites: 18
Total Hours: 700
Psychiatric Consultation @ \$145 per hour.

4. Authorize Procurement Management Services to purchase up to the estimated amount of \$249,700.

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