

Alameda County Behavioral Healthcare Services (BHCS)
Informal Request for Quotation (RFQ) #EC-2015-05
Specifications, Terms & Conditions for
Early Childhood Consultation & Treatment Program (ECCTP)
Infrastructure Development- Mental Health Consultation

BHCS is pleased to announce the release of IRFQ: #EC-2015-05 Early Childhood Consultation & Treatment Program (ECCTP)- Infrastructure Development in Mental Health Consultation. It is the intent of these specifications, terms and conditions for Alameda County Behavioral Health Care Services (hereafter BHCS or County) to seek proposals for the provision of content expertise in the development of program and systems infrastructure for mental health consultation services.

QUOTATIONS DUE

Friday, September 18, 2015 by 5:00PM

Please email to dyates@acbhcs.org

Quotations received after this date will not be accepted.

Contact: Deb Yates at dyates@acbhcs.org for more information.

Program Description

The Early Childhood Consultation and Treatment Program (ECCTP) is a program of Alameda County Behavioral Health Care Services. ECCTP is a prevention and early intervention program for children ages 0-6 and their families. One service ECCTP provides is on-site early childhood mental health consultation (ECMHC), developmental guidance and direct mental health services to children and families in early care and education (child care) programs. Early childhood mental health consultation (ECMHC), program consultation and training are provided to child care staff, administration, and families.

An Early Childhood Mental Health Consultant (ECMHC) provides regular onsite early childhood mental health consultation services to early care education staff and the parent/guardian of those children receiving care in these child care programs.

Program Budget:

\$4,000 total

Timeline for project:

October 1, 2015- June 30, 2016

Professional Services Required:

Contractor will provide content expertise in mental health consultation infrastructure development to the ECCTP mental health consultant staff to support and enhance the direct consultation work in the classrooms, and overall program development. The contractor's guidance and feedback will also support work that builds capacity and strengthens standards of practice in mental health consultation county-wide. Services provided by contractor will impact the ECCTP consultants' work providing infrastructure consultation to community programs and participating in a mental health consultation expansion work group that addresses mental health consultation standards of practice and protocols.

Contractor will provide the following services:

1. Assist in developing a coordinated plan with ECCTP and partner agencies to establish county wide practices aimed at aligning and sustaining ECMH Consultation as a viable strategy.
2. Identify and address obstacles to instituting infrastructure in agencies currently providing ECMH Consultation.
3. Assist the BHCS ECCTP consultant in identifying strategies that will enhance the capacity of agencies providing ECMH Consultation. Specifically, consultation will focus on ways of strengthening infrastructure elements in these organizations including training and supervision, model fidelity, and policies and procedures specific to the practice of ECMH consultation.
4. Support and strengthen BHCS consultant's ability to articulate, convey and act as an ambassador for programmatic practices that enhance the sustainability of ECMH Consultation in Alameda County.
5. Act as a liaison with other local, regional and national ECMH Consultation workforce development and capacity building efforts. As the link to broader efforts, the contractor is able

to expand the BHCS staff members' repertoire of resources, acumen and knowledge of ECMH Consultation practice.

Required Minimum Qualifications:

In order to apply for the Early Childhood Consultation & Treatment Program Infrastructure Development in Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation (ECMHC) the applicant must:

1. Have a minimum of 7 years of experience directly providing early childhood mental health consultation (ECMHC) in early care and education.
2. Have a minimum of 5 years of experience providing supervision to early childhood mental health consultants.
3. Have a minimum of 3 years in early childhood mental health consultation (ECMHC) program planning and systems development

Contracting and Fiscal Requirements:

1. Complete contract with BHCS.
2. Invoice BHCS on a monthly basis.
3. Comply with all BHCS audit provisions