

Connecticut Office of Early Childhood

Quality Improvement Supports

Bidder's Conference November 13, 2019

A Unified Mission and Vision



Vision

All young children in Connecticut are safe, healthy, learning, & thriving. Each child is surrounded by a strong network of nurturing adults who deeply value the importance of the first years of a child's life & have the skills, knowledge, support and passion to meet the unique needs of every child.



Mission

To support all young children in their development by ensuring that early childhood policy, funding, & services strengthen the critical role families, providers, educators, & communities play in a child's life.



C.G.S. Sec. 10-500(b)

Allows OEC to expend funds for:

- Professional Development and Technical Assistance Services...
 - (12) Providing information and technical assistance to persons seeking early care and education and child development programs and services;
 - (14) Providing technical assistance to providers of early care and education programs and services to obtain licensing and improve program quality;
 - (16) Maintaining an accreditation facilitation initiative to assist early childhood care and education program and service providers in achieving national standards and program improvement;
 - (18) Ensuring a coordinated and comprehensive state-wide system of professional development for providers and staff of early care and education and child development programs E
 and services; and

CCDF Plan: Goal Connections

Goal: Ensure the State/Territory's professional development systems or framework provides initial and ongoing professional development and education that result in a diverse and stable child care workforce with the competencies and skills to support all domains of child development.

Goal: Support child care programs and FCCs in the voluntary pursuit of accreditation by a national accrediting body with demonstrated, valid, and reliable program standards of quality

Goal: Ensure adequate and stable supply of high quality child care with a qualified, skilled workforce to promote the healthy development of infants and toddlers.



Coordinated System

Professional Development

Education

Training

& Technical Assistance

Professional Learning

Key Experiences
Individual Attributes
Environmental Factors

Technical assistance providers must have an understanding of how to utilize best practices in adult learning that support the learning needs of those who work most closely with children and families. (pg 5 link to TA CKCs)



Eligibility (pg. 9)

- Public or private organizations, for- profits or non-profits with a legal presence in Connecticut are eligible to submit proposals in response to this RFP.
- All respondents must be registered with the CT Secretary of State as having the authority to operate in CT. Individuals and any entity that is not a duly formed business entity are ineligible to participate in this procurement.
- Nonprofit respondents must provide proof of nonprofit status such as a copy of the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) determination letter as appropriate.

Important Dates

RFP Release	October 29, 2019	
Legal notice published in the	October 29, 2019	
newspaper		
Bidder's conference, in-person	November 13, 2019	
Deadline for questions, via e-	November 18, 2019	
mail		
Anticipated release of official	November 20, 2019	
answers		
Mandatory Letter of Intent	November 22, 2019	
Proposals due	December 11, 2019	
Anticipated selection	*December 19, 2019	
Anticipated start of contract	*January 2020	
negotiations		
Anticipated start of contract	*January 2020	

Logistics

All questions regarding this RFP must be directed, in writing via e-mail to OEC.RFP@CT.GOV with subject line OEC-QIS-024, to the Official Agency Contact by 12:00 Noon on November 18, 2019.

See First Page of Screen and Score Rubric.



BizNet is your friend

<u>State Contracting Portal</u> - Respondents must register with the State of CT contracting portal at https://biznet.ct.gov/AccountMaint/NewLogin.aspx if not already registered. Respondents shall submit the following information pertaining to this application to this portal, which will be checked by the OEC contact at http://www.biznet.ct.gov/SCP_Search/Default.aspx?AccLast=2



Communication

Official Contact Deborah Adams

E-MAIL: OEC.RFP@CT.GOV

State Contracting Portal and OEC Website for postings (FAQ, RFP changes if needed, awardees)



Act. #	Activity Name	Total Cost
1	NAEYC Support	\$2,000,000
2	Consultative Services to Programs and Providers	\$100,000
3	Quality Assurance & Technical Assistance Provider Support	\$250,000
4	Program Leadership Initiative	\$400,000
5	Standards, Curriculum & Assessment Support	\$560,000
6	Rating Scales Capacity Building	\$270,000
7	Trauma & Insecure Housing Training Support	\$48,000
8	Early Child Teacher Credential Review	\$100,000
9	Fiscal Management Training	\$30,000
10	Adult Learning In-Service Model Development & Delivery	\$100,000
11	CT Core Knowledge & Competency Frameworks Support	\$200,000
	Total Activities	\$4,058,000
	Admin	\$608,700
		\$4,666,700
		OEC

Digging In...All Documents

The attachments work in conjunction with the main document



10 – Expectations

Where are there opportunities to demonstrate expectations?

19 & 20 – General Tasks & Common Tasks

Attachment A7 – Part 2 format



Attachment A7 – 2 Parts

Part 1: Summary Chart – Submit full chart

Respondent Name:

Indicate	Activity	Activity Name	Summary Activity	Amount not	Proposed	Respondent	Sub-	Total
Choice	#		Description (see	to exceed	amount to	administrative	contractor	request for
Χ			Scope of Work	for 24	perform the	overhead	administrative	funding
			Chart for details)	months of	activity for	(combined	overhead	(proposed
				service	24 months	total not to	(combined	amount for
					of service	exceed 15%)	total not to	service plus
							exceed 15%)	combined
								admin)

Part 2: Scope of Work Details – Submit only the activities for which you seek funds.

Application for Service Delivery
Part 2: Scope of Work Activity Details

Respondents are required to meet the common criteria outlined in section II B Common Activity Responsibilities in addition to items outlined in each activity.

Digging In...All Documents

Attachments A1-A11

Attachment #	Attachment Name
A1	Letter of Intent – submit by November 22 nd to OEC.RFP@CT.GOV
A2	Personnel Criteria – Informational Only
A3	Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement
A4	Cover Sheet
A5	Assurances – Submit last page only
A6	Screening and Scoring Rubric – Informational Only
A7	Application for Service Delivery
A8	Work History with Similar Activities
A9	Personnel Criteria Checklist and Plan for Recruitment
A10	Proposed Subcontractor Listing
A11	Budget Form and Justification

Budget

Quality Improvement Supports RFP OEC QIS 024 Proposed Budget						
STATE FISCAL YEARS or PORTIONS THEREOF: 2020, 2021, 2022 Budget Form						
Respondent:						
Contract Period:	01/01/2020 - 12/31/2021					
SID #: Program:	Fund: -					
Maximum Contract Value - SFY 2020 (1/1/2020-6/30/2020):		\$				
Maximum Contract Value - SFY 2021 (7/1/2020-6/30/2021)			\$			
Maximum Contract Value - SFY 2022- (7/1/2021-12/31/2021)				\$		



Submitting the Application

Go back to the Screening Checklist

- What goes to the State Portal?
- What goes to OEC?

Proposal Details – II.C. Page 21

- Executive summary (2) Two doublesided pages
- Main Proposal (8) Eight double-sided pages addressing items 1 through 4.
- Attachments A1, A3, A4, A5, A7, A8, A9, A10, A11, and organizational profile materials (org chart, financial profile).



The Due Date is Near

Wednesday, December 11, 2019 by 1:00 p.m.

One hard copy, one email copy

Email OEC.RFP@CT.GOV or call 860 500-4535 at least 24 hours in advance when hand delivering materials.



Application Screening 3 OEC Staff

Checking the applications to make sure applicants followed directions:

- Items to State Contracting Portal are there
- Items to OEC email are there
- Format of the document is correct

Applications meeting requirements will be moved to the Review Committee



Application Review 5 OEC Staff

Organizational Profile 30%

Scope of Service 40%

Fiscal Information 20%

General 10%

Review committee will recommend the top ranking Respondents to the OEC Commissioner. Final selection of successful Respondent is at the discretion of the OEC Commissioner.

Debrief, Appeal, Contest, Contract Negotiation & Execution

See pages 16 and 17 of the main document for information.



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Thank You for Participating

