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RFP 3111 EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SERVICES Addendum #1 Questions and Answers

- Q1: Will you accept electronic signatures on all proposal forms?
- A1: Yes.
- Q2: Regarding MBE/WBE good faith effort outreach, are the firms required to be within Virginia or may we use established MBE/WBE subcontractors in another state?
- A2: You may use MBE/WBE subcontractors in another state.
- Q3: Who is the current EAP provider and how long have they been providing services to the District?
- A3: Carilion Behavioral Health, Inc. has had the contract for the last five years. Contract has been provided.
- Q4: Confirm that pricing should be based on 2,200 employees.
- A4: Yes.
- Q5: What is the current number of counseling sessions allowed per member per issue per year or the number of counseling sessions (visit model) being requested i.e., 3-visit, 6-visit, etc.?
- A5: 3-visit per member per issue.
- Q6: Please provide the current rate and a rate history throughout the contract term for the EAP.
- A6: \$85 per session.

- Q7: How many hours of the following services are included within the current EAP contract per year and/or are being requested as part of the RFP?
 - Onsite training/orientation/educational seminars.
 - Onsite health fair/event participation.
 - Onsite critical incident support events (# events/# hours).
 - Webinar training.

A7: Annual administrator/supervisor training; up to 2 critical incident support events; mental health/self-care webinar training.

- Q8: How many total hours of the following services were utilized in each of the last two (2) years?
 - Onsite training/orientation/educational seminars.
 - Onsite health fair/event participation.
 - Onsite critical incident support events (# events/# hours).
 - Webinar training.
- A8: We have not utilized these services in the past 2 years.
- Q9: Please provide copies of 2021 and 2022 EAP utilization reports.
- A9: CY 2021 and 2022 utilization reports have been provided.
- Q10: How many employees covered under the EAP fall under Department of Transportation (DOT) regulations?
- A10: If this question in reference to bus drivers, our school bus services are outsourced. No bus drivers are employed by the school district.
- Q11: Please provide insight into the condition of the workforce. Are your employees facing:
 - Stress?
 - Morale?
 - Inflation?
 - Financial challenges?
 - Burnout?
- A11: Yes.
- Q12: Have there been any major events in the last year (i.e., reductions in force, critical incidents, etc.)?
- A12: We have had a few student and employee deaths.
- Q13: Is your EAP Helpline currently answered by customer service representatives or by clinical personnel?
- A13: Customer service representative.
- Q14: Are legal, financial, and daily living work-life services currently a part of your EAP program?

Q15: On a scale of 1-5 with 5 being the highest, how would you rate your current vendor? *A15: 4.*

- Q16: What are the three components that are most important to you in an EAP?
- A16: Counseling service, training, and critical incident response.
- Q17: What was the District's annual spend for the EAP in 2022? In 2021?

A17: \$10,287.50 in FY21; \$12,072.50 in FY22; \$7,950.00 so far in FY23.

- Q18: The District is currently paying on a per counseling session, fee-for-service model. Would the District like to continue with this model, or will it accept a Per Employee Per Month (PEPM) rate structure?
- A18: We would accept the per employee per month model.
- Q19: What are the number of trainings you would like to have quoted?
- A19: 3 for our administrator and supervisor (1 training, 3 sessions).
- Q20: How many EAP sessions per issue are provided currently?

A20: 3.

- Q21: Why is the District currently going out to RFP?
- A21: The contract with the current provider ends June 30, 2023 and we are required to solicit proposals in order to establish a contract going forward.
- Q22: Does the District request a specific session model for your employees? If not, we can provide options?
- A22: No, and yes, we would review options.
- Q23: Would the District like a bank of time included in your rates (critical incident response, health fairs, seminars, etc.) or should those be kept separate as hourly fees?

A23: Separate hourly fees.

- Q24: Is the District looking for an insurance EAP provider or a standalone/full-service EAP provider?
- A24: Standalone/full-service EAP.
- Q25: Are there any MBE/WBE goals or requirements for this RFP?

A25: No.

- Q26: We operate under a provider network model and can provide a network report around your zip. We can provide a 50-mile geo report around zip code 24031. Would this suffice? If not, please provide specifics around provider network report requests.
- A26: Yes, this will suffice.
- Q27: Could you clarify the verbiage in reference to Project Location and Scope?
- A27: For Referces, please provide the employers that you have provided services to and a brief description of those services.