

Request for Proposals (RFP)
FAU# 1210170432
New York State Department of Health
Center for Community Health
Division of Family Health
Bureau of Dental Health

New York State Oral Health Center of Excellence

GENERAL AND TECHNICAL QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

All questions are stated as received by the deadline announced in the RFP. The NYSDOH is not responsible for any errors or misinterpretation of any questions received.

Question #1:

We need to convert the PDF grant proposal into a Word document so that we can type into it. Can you send us the Word version of the RFP?

Answer #1:

*Attachments in Word have been posted to the website at:
<http://www.health.ny.gov/funding/rfp/1210170432/index.htm>*

Question #2:

According to the attachment, the optional letter of intent to bid should be received by fax by the date listed in the Schedule of Key Events. Unfortunately the Schedule of Key Events does not include the Letter of Intent due date.

Answer #2:

The letter of intent to bid will be accepted until the due date of proposals which is August 29, 2013 at 4:00pm.

Question #3:

In regard to the deliverable about Water Operator System Trainings (OHCE-2), does the responsibility of Oral Health Center of Excellence include training on engineering aspects of water fluoridation such as operation, monitoring requirements, and reporting to CDC? The description of the project only mentions about training on risk, benefits, and public health implications of water fluoridation, so I wonder if there would be a water fluoridation trainer who talks about the operational aspect of water fluoridation when OHCE convenes regional water fluoridation training sessions..

Answer #3:

The Oral Health Center of Excellence (OHCE) is neither responsible for presenting nor organizing the engineering aspect of the training. A trained water professional will be arranged by the Bureau of Dental Health for each training session.

The OHCE will be responsible for the cost of rental of meeting rooms, OHCE staff travel, registration, copying and printing of materials, etc. In addition, the public health portion of the training, which includes only the risks, benefits, and implications sections, will be the responsibility of the OHCE.

Question #4:

Does the water systems operator training staff and the consultant (outlined in section C.2 of the RFP, deliverables 2 and 3) need to be professionally certified in the operation of water treatment systems or could dental staff with expertise in the area of community water fluoridation be subcontracted? If trainers need certification, will the NYS Bureau of Dental Health provide a list of certified professionals or is the contractor responsible for selecting them?

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Question #5:

What is the contract period? Pages 10 and 21 suggest different dates.

Answer #5:

The contract resulting from this RFP will be multi-year for the expected period, January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2018.

Question #6:

On page 10, #3 Implementation and Administration,” the anticipated contract period for the contract resulting from this RFP will be October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2018” seems to be in conflict with Page 21, Term of Contract, “This agreement shall be effective upon approval of the NYS Office of the State Comptroller. The contract resulting from this RFP will be multi-year for the expected period, January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2018. Will the grant period start October 1, 2013 with the applicant organization fronting the monies needed for RFP related expenses such as personnel with vouching to occur after January 1, 2014 for the quarter October 1, 2013-December 31, 2013?

Answer #6:

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