



## **QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**

### **Child Advocacy Development Grants Treatment Services, Programs, and Technology**

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### **Special Notice Covid-19 Information and Requirements**

It is strongly recommended that you electronically submit your proposals to minimize contact. Instructions on our FTP electronic system is outlined in the RFP.

For agencies that plan to hand deliver their proposals to DCF at 50 East State Street in Trenton, please drop off your packet in the labeled box at the security guard station in the lobby. A receipt for the delivery will be emailed to you.

Proposals will be accepted in advance of the proposal deadline. The proposal must be delivered before the deadline of 12:00 PM. Proposals received after 12:00 PM on the bid due date will not be considered.

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**1. Can this funding be used for rent? If so, can the rent be for more than one year?**

No. Funding can only be used for treatment services, programs, and technology to Counties with existing or developing child advocacy centers in New Jersey.

**2. Also, can the funding be used for monthly utilities such as: electric, data and security systems?**

Funding cannot be used for electricity.

Funding can be used for any technology purchased with these funds but must be used to facilitate the programs and/or services being offered.

**3. RFP page:4**

**When applying for funding to be used for salary can that funding covers the employee's salary until June 30,2021 or does the individual only need to be hired by June 30,2021. If they only need to be hired by June 30,2021 when does the funding cover the salary until?**

Funding can only be used to cover the employee's salary until June 30, 2021. Please note that this funding cannot be used to supplant or displace funds that are currently being used to fund an employee's salary in order to reallocate those funds for use for other organizational expenses.

**4. RFP Page 6: Is our 2019 MOU acceptable to satisfy this requirement?**

As stated in the CAC RFP on page 2, "Be a part of a County Government or Prosecutor's Office; or 2) be a non-profit corporation that is duly registered to conduct business in the State of New Jersey **and** be affiliated with a County Prosecutor's Office with **a prior Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) or other written agreement**, or 3) be a County Multidisciplinary Diagnostic Team (MDT) affiliated with a County Prosecutor's Office."

The MOU with the County Prosecutor's Office must be current.

**5. RFP Page 6: Who are we signing an MOU with to confirm we are the only CAC in Ocean County?**

The MOU must be signed by the County Prosecutor's Office.

**6. RFP Page 11: What is the 2CFR.200.317 and how do we meet this requirement?**

This is a statutory requirement to be included in this RFP. There is no action or further demonstration needed to be taken. Also, this does not need to be addressed in your proposal.

**7. Does this grant support becoming a new CAC, even though there are CAC's within the county already? According to page 2 A (1) :2) it does as we are a nonprofit organization, is this right?**

Only Counties with existing or developing CACs may apply.

**8. Page 3 C on page 4, under Treatment Services, at the 4th bullet point it states, "New CAC's may apply for this position one time only." This is speaking about hiring a MDT Coordinator for new CAC's. We would be a brand-new CAC in a county where other CAC's exist. Does this mean we (a nonprofit) can apply to be a new CAC?**

Only Counties with existing or developing CACs may apply.

**9. Page 6 - Counties WITH a Child Advocacy Center Applicant Pre-Requisites:**

- a) Does this mean as a new CAC we must be already an existing CAC OR
- b) Does this mean we as a new CAC do not qualify to apply?
- c) Does this mean we can apply but not use the funding for mental health treatment?
- d) If we are unable to qualify as a new CAC, can we align ourselves with an existing CAC?

Only Counties with existing or developing CACs may apply.

**10. Applicant Eligibility Requirements:**

We meet requirements, 1, 2, 5, 6 (as of Nov 18th), 7, 8, 9, and 10. We meet the requirements, but we are conflicted with what the Pre-requisites mean under "Counties WITH a Child Advocacy Center.

**Can you please state whether under the Prerequisites we may apply?**

Only Counties with existing or developing CACs may apply.

**11.RFP: Page 3 in section B. Background: Transportation Services**

**Are developed CAC's eligible to utilizes grant funding for the purchase of vehicle to be utilized to assist CAC staff members in connection to appointments for investigations, medical appointments and trial testimony?**

No. Grant funding cannot be use for the purchase of a vehicle.

Transportation services are defined as services for transportation of children (ages 0-21) and/or families to or from medical appointments in connection with an investigation and/or transportation to or from the CAC or the CAC contracted provider.

**12.Does the grant funding allow for the purchase of a vehicle that would be used as a mobile high-tech crimes' laboratory for child abuse investigations?**

No. Grant funding cannot be use for the purchase of a vehicle.

Transportation services are defined as services for transportation of children (ages 0-21) and/or families to or from medical appointments in connection with an investigation and/or transportation to or from the CAC or the CAC contracted provider.

**13.Does the grant funding allow for the purchase of high-tech crimes equipment to improve how we analyze cell phones in child abuse cases?**

Any technology purchased with these funds must be used to facilitate the programs and/or services being offered.