

## NOTICE OF FUND AVAILABILITY

STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
DIVISION OF FAMILY DEVELOPMENT  
2016 Child Care Workforce Registry System

**TAKE NOTICE** that, in compliance with N.J.S.A. 52:14-34.4, 34.5 and 34.6, the New Jersey Department of Human Services, Division of Family Development (DFD), hereby announces the availability of the grant program funds described herein.

**Program Name: 2016 CHILD CARE WORKFORCE REGISTRY SYSTEM**

**Purpose:** DFD is issuing this Request for Proposals (RFP) for the purpose of making an award to one contractor who will provide a comprehensive integrated system of support for the childcare workforce, the State's technical assistance (TA) system and QRIS data system.

The overall goals of the RFP are to (1) implement a statewide comprehensive workforce professional development system and QRIS data system to support professional development for early childhood and school-age professionals and Grow NJ Kids; and (2) create a mechanism to gain information about the early childhood workforce that will inform program support, system-level professional development planning, policy, and delivery of resources. The integrated system will serve as the foundation for professional development offerings, and capture early childhood data, trends, and continuous quality improvement activities across program sectors. This will allow a user to evaluate early childhood workforce development and its impact on early childhood practices with parents, providers, communities, and children. The comprehensive system will serve as the foundation for professional development offerings, continuous and progressive professional development and capture early childhood data, trends, and quality improvement activities across program sectors and providers. This will allow a user to evaluate the development of the early childhood workforce and the impact of that development on early childhood practices involving parents, providers, communities, and children.

**Available Fund Amount:** The Integrated System will be a statewide system. There is up to \$1.0 million in funding available for this contract through DHS/DFD. No funding match is required; however, applicants will need to identify any other sources of funding that will be used, including in-kind and monetary funds. Agencies may not fund any costs incurred for the planning or preparing of a proposal in response to this RFP or from current DHS/DFD contracts. Continued funding, if any, for the contract resulting from this RFP are subject to the availability of State funding.

**Who Can Apply/Bidder Qualifications:** Eligible Applicants that may apply for funding under this grant program may:

- Be for-profit, not-for-profit, or public/governmental entities that can demonstrate the ability to administer and deliver the services required under this RFP.
- For-profit entities must obtain a Business Registration Certificate prior to the award of the contract, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-44.

**Proposal Procedure:** Effective November 7, 2016 the 2016 CHILD CARE WORKFORCE REGISTRY SYSTEM Request for Proposal (RFP) is available at [www.state.nj.us/humanservices/providers/grants/rfpri/index.html](http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/providers/grants/rfpri/index.html). A proposal must be submitted that comports with the RFP requirements and instructions.

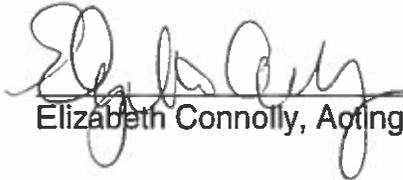
**Proposal Receiving Office: Mail/US Post Office Delivery:**  
*Office of Policy and Standards Development*  
Department of Human Services  
Division of Family Development  
PO Box 716  
Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0716

OR,

**Hand Delivery or Commercial Courier/Mail Service:**  
*Office of Policy and Standards Development*  
NJ Division of Family Development  
6 Quakerbridge Plaza, 1<sup>st</sup> floor  
Mercerville, New Jersey 08619

**Submission Deadline: Proposals must be received by the Office of Policy and Standards Development no later than 4:00 p.m. on December 13, 2016 .**

**Award Notification Date: On or after January 31, 2016**

  
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Elizabeth Connolly, Acting Commissioner

10/26/16  
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