



Responses to questions:

- Q1.** Is it possible for a vendor to target a population to serve through the Permanency Project? In Section 3: Scope of Project, 3.1.8 Tracking and Reporting, one of the permanency results is "discharged to an independent living situation." Would the Department accept a proposal that would target youth, 17-21, currently in residential care, whose permanency plan is Transitional Living and then Independent Living? Would the RFP have to include "in home" services since the youth's ISP indicates the Independent Living goal?
- R1. No. No.**
- Q2.** Would the financial/Cost Proposal change if the RFP targets youth in Transitional Living, since all other Core Services would be provided?
- R2. Vendors can not target the Transitional Living population.**
- Q3. Section 1.0 – Project Overview, pg. 7:** The RFP says there are 80 reunification slots and 26 preservation slots to be awarded in Calhoun, Etowah, Madison, Marshall, and Morgan counties. If we decide to apply for 20 of those slots, do we need to specify whether we want reunification or preservation or will we automatically be awarded both?
- R3. Vendors must specify service slots.**
- Q4. Section 1.0 – Project Overview, pg. 7:** The RFP clearly states that these services are for children who are currently in Residential or TFC placements. Will we ever receive referrals from other placements, such as basic care?
- R4. No.**
- Q5. Section 3.0 – Project Overview, pg. 15:** Is it a requirement that the child referred have an identified resource prior to referral? Or will we be asked to do searches for resources?
- R5. Children should have an identified permanency goal. Vendors will be required to develop resources as necessary.**
- Q6. Section 3.2C – Core Services, pg. 17:** The RFP specifies that the agency will provide 2 or more as needed in home face to face contacts per week. If there is not an identified resource for the child, is there a required number of visits per case?
- R6. Not applicable. Children should have an identified resource.**
- Q7. Section 1.0 PROJECT OVERVIEW (page 7)**
The RFP states that the proposal will address the permanency needs of 156 families; however, in Section 3.0 PROJECT OVERVIEW only 130 slots can be accounted for. Could you please clarify the correct amount of slots available for this RFP?
- R7. One hundred fifty six (156) slots are available under this procurement.**



Q8. Section 1.2 and Section 1.3 REQUIRED LICENSURE/CERTIFICATION (page 7)
The RFP states that no licensure requirements are required for this procurement; however, in the next section, it states that vendors must be licensed by August. Please clarify if licensure is required. If at all, which ones?

R8. There are no licensure/certification/credential requirements for the procurement.

Q9. Section 3.4 ROLES OF IIHS WORKERS (page 19)
Please clarify to what extent DHR expects to be involved in the IIHS vendor's hiring and applicant review process.

R9. The Department's involvement in the Vendor's hiring process will be limited. However, Vendors must notify the Department of its hiring decisions and must ensure that required checks and clearances have been obtained.

Q10. Section 3.4 ROLES OF IIHS WORKERS (page 20)
Please clarify that outcome assessments performed every 90 days are performed when the client is receiving services in the program, post-discharge, or both.

R10. Outcome assessments are required quarterly and 90 days post discharge. In addition, tracking is required 24 months post discharge.

Q11. Section 1.2, page 7 of the RFP states that anyone regardless of credentials can provide the services outlined in the RFP: "There are no licensures/certifications /credential requirements for the procurement." Then in 1.3 it states "Selected Vendors must be licensed by Friday, August 15..". In Section 4.2.4 on page 22 under **Licenses/Certifications/Credentials** it is written that one must include a copy of all "required Licenses, Certificates, and/or Credentials or a completed license application form submitted by the deadline specified in this RFP."

Question: What is meant by 1.2 language? Are licenses/credentials required? IF so, what are these?

R11. See R8.

R12. Section 4.2.5.1.2 asks for References. All other recent proposals have deleted this.

Question: Is this requirement to be deleted from the Permanency RFP # 2008-100-06?

Q12. The reference requirement is deleted from this procurement; however, information must be provided if requested.