

## NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

### STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES

#### 988 Mobile Crisis Outreach Response Teams

**TAKE NOTICE** that, in compliance with N.J.S.A. 52:14-34.4, 34.5 and 34.6, the Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) hereby announces the availability of the grant program funds described herein.

**Program Name:** 988 Mobile Crisis Outreach Response Teams

**Purpose:** This Request for Proposals (RFP) is issued by the New Jersey Department of Human Services (DHS), Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) for Mobile Crisis Outreach Response Teams (MCORT) to respond to adults (18 and above) in non-life-threatening situations who have contacted the 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline.

**Available Funding Amount:** Total available annual funding, subject to State appropriations, is \$16 million dollars. This funding will be used to support approximately 62 MCORTs across all 21 counties in New Jersey. DMHAS anticipates making up to 9 awards based upon a 9 region system with multiple counties served in each region. DMHAS intends for this program to provide Medicaid-funded MCORT services under Section 1947 of the US Social Security Act.

**Who Can Apply/Bidder Qualifications:** To be eligible for consideration for this RFP, the bidder must satisfy the following requirements:

- The bidder may be a current Medicaid provider or demonstrate Medicaid eligibility
- Non-Medicaid providers will be required to enroll with Medicaid within 60 days of notification of funding award
- The bidder may be a non-profit or for-profit entity or governmental entity;
- For a bidder that has a contract with DMHAS in place when this RFP is issued, that bidder must have all outstanding Plans of Correction for deficiencies submitted to DMHAS for approval prior to submission;
- The bidder must be fiscally viable based upon an assessment of the bidder's audited financial statements. If a bidder is determined, in DMHAS' sole discretion, to be insolvent or to present insolvency within the twelve (12) months after bid submission, DMHAS will deem the proposal ineligible for contract award;
- The bidder must not appear on the State of New Jersey Consolidated Debarment Report or be suspended or debarred by any other State or Federal entity from receiving funds;
- Pursuant to DHS Contract Policy and Information Manual Policy Circular 8.05, the bidder shall not have a conflict, or the appearance of a conflict, between the private interests and the official responsibilities of a person in a position of trust. Persons in a position of trust include Provider Agency staff members, officers and Governing Board Members. A bidder must have written Conflict of Interest policies

and procedures that satisfy the requirements of P8.05, thereby ensuring that paid Board members do not participate in transactions except as expressly provided in the P8.05 circular; and

- Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-44, a for-profit bidder and each proposed subcontractor must have a valid Business Registration Certificate on file with the Division of Revenue. (This statutory requirement does not apply to non-profit organizations, private colleges and universities, or state and municipal agencies).

**Proposal Procedure:** Effective October 6, 2023, the RFP is available at [www.state.nj.us/humanservices/providers/grants/rfprfi/index.html](http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/providers/grants/rfprfi/index.html) and [www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dmhas/provider/funding/](http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dmhas/provider/funding/). A proposal must be submitted that comports with the RFP requirements and instructions.

**Proposal Receiving Office:** Alicia Meyer  
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**Submission Deadline:** Proposals must be received by 4:00 p.m. on November 3, 2023.

**Notification Date:** Bidders will be notified on or before December 19, 2023.

October 5, 2023

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Sarah Adelman, Commissioner

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