



SOLICITATION ADDENDUM

Date: **August 2, 2017**
Subject: **Early Learning Resource Centers**
Solicitation Number: **RFP 30-16**
Due Date/Time: **August 28, 2017 2:00 PM**
Addendum Number: **3**

To All Suppliers:

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania defines a solicitation “Addendum” as an addition to or amendment of the original terms, conditions, specifications, or instructions of a procurement solicitation (e.g., Invitation for Bids or Request for Proposals).

List any and all changes:

Please find attached to the solicitation a revised document which depicts the allocation amounts by Service Area. Please disregard the version that was posted on July 28, 2017.

Additionally, the Department was requested to provide clarification on the following:

The RFP states that the selected Offerors will: “Provide Professional Development opportunities across the region and throughout the Core Knowledge Competencies and Competency Levels”. Task J states: “The selected Offerors will deliver prescribed professional development to early childhood professionals in their service region. The selected Offerors may choose to utilize contracts with professional development organizations, higher education providers, and individuals to support approved professional development delivery.”

However, RFP Q&A answer #105 states: “Professional development beyond regulatory referral will be procured through an additional offering.” #138 states: “ELRC will provide technical assistance as defined by the department and Professional Development related to regulatory referrals made by DHS Certification. No other Professional Development will be included in the ELRC scope of work under this grant”. Also confusing is why there is a PD-TA manager as a key personnel position given this alternate procurement.

Response: The functions of a PD/TA manager are necessary to coordinate the oversight of the required tasks. It is up to the Offeror to determine if, based on the numbers of programs in the service area, this is a full-time FTE or a part-time FTE. The following changes are also being made to the subject RFP. This is the only section being modified; all other sections remain the same.



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- The following language in Part II, Section III-8.J of the RFP (page 39) is hereby amended as follows:

“The selected Offeror(s) will deliver prescribed professional development to early childhood professionals in their service region **in support of regulatory referral from Child Care Certification. The primary support for programs will be technical assistance using models or techniques approved by OCDEL to support providers move up the quality continuum to higher STAR levels.** ~~The selected Offerors may choose to utilize contracts with professional development organizations, higher education providers, and individuals to support approved professional development delivery.”~~

Type of Solicitation: Hard Copy (Paper) Bid - If you have already submitted a response to the original solicitation, you may either submit a new response, or return this Addendum with a statement that your original response remains firm, by the due date.

Except as clarified and amended by this Addendum, the terms, conditions, specifications, and instructions of the solicitation and any previous solicitation addenda, remain as originally written.

Respectfully,

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