

## **ADDENDUM 2**

### **Request for Proposals 19RFP129 19RFP129 School Mental Health Centers at Elementary, Middle and High Schools**

#### **Vendor Questions and Answers**

**Issue Date: April 5, 2019**

1. Is the district expecting this RFP to maximize the use of the VOCA funding (considering that the district anticipates 90% of the students to be using insurance)? If not, can the applicant propose another way to maximize VOCA funding?

**Not applicable – VOCA funding not awarded to AISD**

2. What Health Insurance do most AISD employees have?

**Austin ISD offers three plans and two network options through Aetna (Seton Only, Seton HSA, and Aetna Choice POS II Open Access).**

3. Please provide clarification on AISD assisting with copays and/or deductibles, there appears to be contradicting language in RFP. If AISD will pay, how will it be determined who receives assistance?

**It is the expectation that the vendor will make reasonable effort to collect co-pays for services; however, we don't want any student denied mental health services for inability to afford their co-pay. To the extent funding is available from AISD, reimbursements paid to the vendor through a monthly invoice to AISD are available for those who cannot afford their co-pay/deductible up to a to be determined amount by AISD.**

4. What is the district anticipated growth or decrease in enrollment in the schools listed?

**You may view the "2019 Demographic Report" posted at <https://www.austinisd.org/communities>  
This report provides a per campus breakdown of anticipated enrollment.**

5. What is the complete list of CPT codes that AISD will reimburse for?

**The CPT codes utilized by SMHC to date include what we stated in the RFP. The district would be willing to consider reimbursement for services such as Psychiatric Assessment and Services, as an example. The district will not reimburse for services provided and paid directly**

to the vendor. The reimbursement model is based on rates we will reimburse for individuals who are uninsured and do not have a payor source.

6. What is the breakdown of the Private Insurances that students are on per campus and what is the number of students under each insurance?

The district does not collect the breakdown of private insurance companies that students are covered under. Annually, parents self-report if their child has private insurance, Medicaid/CHIP, or are uninsured; however, we do not ask parents to report who is their insurance provider.

7. What is the breakdown of the different languages kids and families speak per campus?

Primary languages include; English and Spanish. Vendors should ensure intake, assessment, and consent from parents are provided in the parents' native language.

8. How is the district anticipating using the unused VOCA funds if only 10% of kids in the program will be uninsured and VOCA eligible?

Not applicable – VOCA funding not awarded to AISD

9. What type of documentation is needed to bill for the \$65/hour (\$5000 per campus) for admin and other costs?

The vendor will provide a detailed invoice per month identifying what admin and other related costs you're seeking reimbursement for, up to \$5,000 per campus over the 15-months of the agreement.

10. On AISD campuses that currently have VOCA funding, what is the percentage of kids that qualify for VOCA funding?

Not applicable – VOCA funding not awarded to AISD

11. Is AISD taking responsibility for the VOCA Match?

Not applicable – VOCA funding not awarded to AISD

12. Vendor has experience providing professional development to staff. Describe types of training provided. Can you please clarify whether "staff" is referring to agency staff or school staff?

In the RFP, "staff" is referring to school-based staff. We're seeking vendors who have experience delivering training to school staff, students, parents, and/or community members in the area of mental health.

**This Addendum 2 reflects revisions made to RFP 19RFP129- please refer to Addendum 1**

Questions or concerns should be directed to:

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