

## PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD A SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT

## \*\*This is Not a Request for Bids\*\*

The Washington State Health Care Authority (HCA) contemplates awarding a sole source contract K7389 to The Alliance for Rights and Recovery (previously known as New York Association of Psychiatric Rehabilitation Services (NYAPRS)). The Alliance for Rights and Recovery will develop one online curriculum module and convert an existing PowerPoint curriculum to a virtual module for stock training in a Learning Management System (LMS) format. The results will make these virtual online modules accessible to Foundation Community Supports (FCS) providers/agencies that provide Supported Employment (SE) or Supportive Housing (SH) services. The overall goal of these services is to teach FCS program staff attendees skills that will enhance their ability to increase outcomes of the services, successful job placements for SE, and successful housing placements for SH. This will also allow the two HCA trainers to provide more individualized trainings for FCS provider/agencies that have specific questions or when they have difficulties with aspects of providing high quality services.

The Alliance for Rights and Recovery is a nationally known expert in SE of people with serious mental illness and disabilities, therefore achieves exceptionally high-performance levels within all the subject matters required for these services. They are a national change agent dedicated to improving services, public policies, and social conditions for people with mental health, substance use and trauma-related challenges, by promoting health, wellness, and recovery, with full community inclusion so that all may achieve maximum potential in communities of choice. The Alliance for Rights and Recovery is a statewide coalition of people who use and/or provide recovery-oriented community based mental health services and is dedicated to improving services and social conditions for people with psychiatric disabilities or diagnoses, and those with trauma-related conditions by promoting their recovery, rehabilitation, and rights so that all people can participate freely in society. The Alliance for Rights and Recovery specializes in a wide variety of training in SE, mental health clinic conversion, outreach and engagement, trauma informed care, cultural competence, and technical assistance.

HCA will enter into a contract with The Alliance for Rights and Recovery. The contract will be issued on or after the date of execution (approximately February 15, 2024) and will continue to March 14, 2024. The cost of the initial term is \$42,000.

This is not an invitation to bid. However, vendors contemplating the below requirements can submit capability statements demonstrating their ability to meet HCA's requirements with a quote for providing the service within ten (10) business days of this announcement.

Capability statements must address the following requirements:

- 1. Must employ up to two (2) or more staff members with high-level subject matter expertise working with individuals with behavioral health conditions in SE and to be available to HCA as needed to provide additional technical assistance.
- Experiential high-level subject matter expertise in principles of IPS as evidenced based practice of SE and having successful experience as participating as either a reviewer and/or from hosting a

review to successfully convey the meaning of each principle, and real-life examples that clarify why services are provided as outlined in the fidelity scale.

- Experience in managing SE services for people with serious mental illness and disabilities, including
  recovery-oriented community based mental health services, improving services and social conditions
  for people with psychiatric disabilities and for those with trauma-related conditions by promoting their
  recovery, rehabilitation, and rights.
- 4. Experience in providing a wide variety of training, SE, outreach and engagement, trauma informed care, and cultural competence.
- 5. Expertise in developing high quality virtual online curriculum modules and converting an existing PowerPoint curriculum to a virtual module for stock training in a Learning Management System (LMS) format. Must be able to enhance existing content provided by HCA and possess the ability to expand and improve the quality of a product by providing content recommendations.

Interested vendors will be considered only if they respond with clear and convincing documentation that they can meet the above requirements. In the absence of other qualified sources, it is HCA's intent to make a sole source award of the contract.

Capability statements must be submitted via email to the Sole Source Coordinator listed below, including the subject line provided, no later than **February 13, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. Pacific Time.** The emailed capability statement must be less than 25 Mb. Do not send zipped files.

Sole Source Coordinator Contact Information:

Holly Jones

E-mail: HCAProcurements@hca.wa.gov

Email Subject Line: K7389 Sole Source Capability Statement

Note: This contract requires a ten (10) day public inspection period and approval by the Washington State Department of Enterprise Services (DES). HCA will not award the sole source contract unless or until DES approves.