

**Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services (ADAMHS) Board
Request for Proposals for the
Treatment Foster Care/Kinship Care Pilot**

Summary and Background:

The mission of the ADAMHS Board is to promote and enhance the quality of life for residents of our community through a commitment to excellence in mental health, alcohol, drug, and other addiction services. As part of its legislative mandate to plan, assess, evaluate, and monitor publicly funded behavioral health services, the ADAMHS Board reviews the strengths and challenges of programs funded through public dollars, as well as appraise potential or existing gaps to fulfill the needs of the community.

The Cuyahoga County Division of Children and Family Services (CCDCFS) identified a critical need within their system to expand its current foster care continuum to include treatment foster homes, as well as the provision of timely individualized behavioral health interventions with children/youth stepping down from a residential placement or placed with a relative/kinship caregiver.

In an effort to prevent further penetration into the child welfare system, relative/kinship placements have also been given consideration, keeping in mind the “urgency for permanency.” As the number of relative/kinship placements have increased, families are in need of a multitude of services and supports to maintain these youth in their homes.

CCDCFS requested the ADAMHS Board’s assistance in developing a clinical model to support children and their caregivers in treatment foster care and relative/kinship placements. The ADAMHS Board agreed to assist in developing a model to “pilot” the intensive level of support in tandem with a dedicated behavioral health agency, which would be identified through a vetting process. Once an agency is identified, the ADAMHS Board will provide contractual oversight and program monitoring to ensure the provision of services are fulfilled to meet the overarching goal to divert and decrease the length of stay in the child welfare system.

As such, the ADAMHS Board is issuing a Request for Proposal (RFP) directed toward behavioral health agencies certified through the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) to provide intensive clinical and supportive services for children placed in treatment foster care or kinship care homes.

Clinical Services:

The requested clinical services will include:

- Assessment & Screening
- Therapeutic Interventions
- Psychiatric Assessments and Pharmacological Services
- Case Management and Care Coordination for behavioral health support
- Crisis Intervention

The staffing composition of this model will include a dedicated team of Licensed Master's Level Clinicians who will work alongside CCDCFS staff and participate in ongoing staffings and team meetings.

CCDCFS staff will utilize the *Trust-Based Relational Intervention® (TBRI®)* as the primary intervention with caregivers, which will be delivered concurrently with the behavioral health services and supports identified above. *TBRI®* is a trauma-informed intervention and parenting model designed for use with children who have experienced relationship-based traumas.

The pilot is projected to serve approximately 25 Treatment Foster Care and Kinship Care homes combined.

Funding: The ADAMHS Board is allocating funding to support the implementation and provision of identified clinical services for the Treatment Foster Care/Kinship Care Pilot.

Proposal Guidelines:

Eligibility

Eligible proposals include any entity which can fulfill the following:

- ✓ A dedicated team of three (3) Licensed Master's Level Clinicians and one (1) Clinical Supervisor, each possessing at least 2 years of experience in the behavioral health system and a working knowledge of the child-welfare system, in particular therapeutic foster care.
- ✓ The ability to deliver behavioral health services and supports which will complement the *Trust-Based Relational Intervention® (TBRI®)* utilized by CCDCFS staff.
- ✓ Implement programming immediately July 1, 2018.
- ✓ Provide performance measures related to the program as part of the contract award through the ADAMHS Board.

Questions related to this RFP will be accepted by e-mail to torbert@adamhsc.org until 5:00 p.m. on Friday, April 20, 2018. Responses will be posted to the ADAMHS Board's website, <http://adamhsc.org> on Tuesday, April 24, 2018.

All required proposal submissions MUST be submitted electronically to RFI@adamhsc.org

Submission Deadline: May 4, 2018

Please complete and attach the face sheet, included here.

Page Limit & Narrative Composition: Narratives must be no longer than **8 pages, single sided, single spaced**. Font size must be twelve points with margins no less than one inch. You must use Microsoft Office Word 2003 or later for the program narrative.

Proposal Narrative:

Please respond to each of the following points:

1. *Describe your agency's qualifications and experience in working with children in foster care and relative/kinship placements, and how it relates to your agency's mission. (25 pts.)*
2. *Describe your agency's history of cross-system collaboration with child welfare, juvenile justice, and other child-serving systems for the provision of treatment with at-risk children and families. (20 pts.)*
3. *Describe your agency's capacity and ability to implement services by July 1, 2018, if awarded the Treatment Foster Care/Kinship Care Pilot contract. (20 pts.)*
4. *Identify current practices and modalities utilized with the child welfare population and describe how services will complement the Trust-Based Relational Intervention® (TBRI®) delivered by CCDCFS staff. (15 pts.)*
5. *Describe how your agency will serve individuals enrolled in Medicaid Managed Care Plans. (10 pts.)*
6. *Please identify how success will be measured through metrics, benchmarks, and performance outcomes. (10 pts.)*

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Attach a budget using the form below. Include a budget narrative which details the calculations for each line item, and justifying the need for the line item in the implementation of your program.

Line Item Budget				
		ADAMHSCC	Other	Total
Personnel Costs	Personnel			
	Fringe Benefits			
Non-Personnel Costs	Consultants			
	Supplies			
	Printing/Copying			
	Rent/Lease Expenses			
	Phone/Utilities			
	Maintenance/Repair			
	Rentals			
	Insurance			
	Travel/Mileage			
	Administrative			
Total				



**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
FACESHEET** *(Type directly in this document)*

PROVIDER INFORMATION

Agency
Name:

Address:

Contact
Person

Telephone
#:

E-mail Address:

AUTHORIZATION

I hereby certify that my typed name below is my signature and that this RFP has been approved for submission by this Agency's governing authority.

Executive Director / CEO

Date

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Submit RFP Response by EMAIL to: RFI@adamhsc.org

Submissions received after the deadline will not be considered.