



PROCUREMENT JUSTIFICATION FORM (PJF)

This form must accompany all contract requests and sole source requisitions (RQS) over \$5,000 submitted to the Office of State Procurement Services.

INSTRUCTIONS: Please provide the requested information in the white spaces below. All responses (except signatures) must be typed; no hand-written forms will be accepted. See the guidance document posted with this form on the Procurement Services intranet site (Forms page) for additional instructions.

| PART I: OVERVIEW | | | |
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| Department Office/Division/Program: | | DHHS/OADS/DDS/Evaluation and Consultation Services | |
| Department Contract Administrator or Grant Coordinator: | | Jennifer Levesque / Melanie Boucher | |
| (If applicable) Department Reference #: | | ADS-24-9706 B | |
| Amount: (Contract/Amendment/Grant) | | Amend: \$21,000.00 Total: \$111,000.00 | Advantage CT / CT 10A RQS #: 20230505000000003087 |
| CONTRACT | Proposed Start Date: | | Proposed End Date: |
| AMENDMENT | Original Start Date: | 7/1/2023 | Effective Date: |
| | Previous End Date: | 6/30/2025 | New End Date: |
| GRANT | Project Start Date: | | Grant Start Date: |
| | Project End Date: | | Grant End Date: |
| Vendor/Provider/Grantee Name, City, State: | | Becket Academy, Inc. dba Becket Family of Services Orford, New Hampshire | |
| Brief Description of Goods/Services/Grant: | | Special Diagnosis and Evaluation; Clinical Consultation; and Behavior Management Plan Development and Oversight Services | |

| PART II: JUSTIFICATION FOR VENDOR SELECTION | | | |
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| Check the box below for the justification(s) that applies to this request. (Check all that apply.) | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | A. Competitive Process | <input type="checkbox"/> | G. Grant |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | B. Amendment | <input type="checkbox"/> | H. State Statute/Agency Directed |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | C. Single Source/Unique Vendor | <input type="checkbox"/> | I. Federal Agency Directed |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | D. Proprietary/Copyright/Patents | <input type="checkbox"/> | J. Willing and Qualified |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | E. Emergency | <input type="checkbox"/> | K. Client Choice |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | F. University Cooperative Project | <input type="checkbox"/> | L. Other Authorization |

Please respond to ALL of the questions in the following sections.

PART III: SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

1. Provide a more detailed description and explain the need for the goods, services or grant to supplement the response in Part I.

The purpose of this amendment is to add funds for additional services in SFY25.

This vendor provides three (3) primary services to the Department.

1. Complex Case Diagnosis and Evaluation.

OADS continues to identify individuals with intellectual disabilities or autism with serious behavioral and psychiatric conditions who have not responded to clinical treatment approaches available to them through their support system funded by MaineCare Section 21 (10-144 C.M.R. ch. 101). These individuals are in jeopardy of further deterioration in their condition to the extent that health and safety cannot be assured without additional clinical expertise being provided and very high staffing ratios to maintain safety. In these situations, all available in-state resources have been sought and provided without improvement in their condition, including in most situations, hospitalization for an extended time. This out-of-state resource, Becket Family of Services, provides a qualified interdisciplinary clinical assessment team with experience successfully serving similar individuals in Maine.

2. Clinical Consultation to Crisis Prevention / Intervention Services and Adult Protective Services.

OADS continues to require consultation services to promote the highest level of independence, health, and safety of older adults and Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities, Autism, or a Brain Injury.

3. Emergency Evaluation/Consultation services.

OADS continues to serve individuals who may be in an emergency department or psychiatric hospital who is seeking residential placement. An emergency evaluation/consultation provides the team caring for the individual an oversight of how best to meet the current needs of that individual while under their care. This evaluation provides insight to the unique challenges of individuals who are dual diagnosed with Intellectual Disabilities and Mental Health.

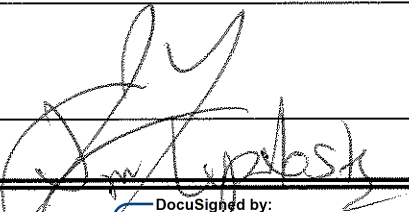

2. Provide a brief justification for the selected vendor to supplement the response in Part II. Reference the RFP number, if applicable.

These Clinical Consultation services went to RFP in the fall of 2022 under RFP # 202208137. No proposals were submitted. A second RFP (202302027) was published and also received no proposals. DAFS has given permission to proceed with this vendor who historically provided the services. This Provider is the only clinical program in New England that solely works with individuals with intellectual disabilities or autism who are experiencing serious behavioral and psychiatric issues. Referrals to this Provider occur only after extensive clinical work at the local level has not resulted in positive outcomes. The Provider provides outpatient services to avoid hospitalization. The Provider demonstrated the ability to work well with OADS Developmental Services in the past, with positive outcomes for the persons referred.

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| 3. Explain how the negotiated costs or rates are fair and reasonable; or how the funding was allocated to grantee. |
| Costs are similar to other high-level health consultants that are utilized by the Department. The services are provided at a cost that is typically much lower than even a short inpatient hospital admission. There is no federal funding that supports these services. This is not a MaineCare covered service. |
| 4. Describe the plan for future competition for the goods or services. |
| No RFP is expected in the near future as two recent RFPs yielded no proposals and DAFS has given permission to move forward with this vendor. |

| PART IV: AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) / MAINE JOBS & RECOVERY PLAN (MJRP) | |
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| Does this request utilize ARPA/MJRP funds? | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, MJRP funds (023) – If Yes, please attach the approved Business Case(s). | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, ARPA funds (025) – If Yes, please be aware of the requirements from awarding federal agencies. | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No – If No, proceed to Part V. | |

| PART V: CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (COI); CONTRACT WITH THE STATE | |
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| <i>Maine law contains Conflict of Interest statutes directed to State Departments, State Officers, and Employees Generally under MRS Title 5, §18 and §18-A, in harmony with MRS Title 17, §3104.</i> | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The requesting department signatory understands and acknowledges Maine's Conflict of Interest statutes. | |

| PART VI: APPROVALS | | | |
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| The signatures below indicate approval of this procurement request. | | | |
| Signature of requesting Department's Commissioner (or designee): |  | | |
| Typed Name: | | Date: | 22-July-25 |
| Signature of DAFS Procurement Official: | DocuSigned by:  41C2BA36FAF44CD... | | |
| Typed Name: | Kathy Paquette | Date: | 2/24/2025 |