PROCUREMENT JUSTIFICATION FORM (PJF)

This form must accompany all contract requests and sole source requisitions (RQS) over \$5,000 submitted to the Division of 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 Division of Procurement Services intranet site (Forms page) for additional instructions.

PART I: OVERVIEW								
Department Office/Division/Program:			Division of Juvenile Services					
Department Contract Administrator or Grant Coordinator:			Sonja Morse					
(If applicable) Department Reference #:			N/A					
Amount: (Contract/Amendment/Grant) \$416,201		.00 Advantage CT / RQS #: 202401290000		01290000000002086				
CONTRACT	Proposed S	tart Date:	7/1/2024	1/2024 Proposed End Date		Date:	6/30/2025	
AMENDMENT	Original Start Date:				Effective Date:			
	Previous End Date:				New End Date:			
GRANT	Project Start Date:				Grant Start Date:			
	Project End Date:				Grant End Date:			
Vendor/Provider/Grantee Name, City, State:			Kennebec Behavioral Health, 67 Eustis Drive, Waterville, Maine 04901					
Brief Description of Goods/Services/Grant:		Multi-Systemic Therapy						

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

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

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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 Division of Juvenile Services (DJS) has a need for an evidence-based practice that will reduce the recidivism rate and reduce out of home placement for youth at moderate to high risk of reoffending. The mission of DJS is to promote public safety by ensuring that juveniles are provided with risk-focused interventions, quality treatment, and other services that teach skills and competencies; strengthen pro social behaviors to reduce the likelihood of re-offending and require accountability to victims and communities. Multi-systemic Therapy is appropriate for meeting this need.

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

Kennebec Behavioral Health (KBH) is **one of only three** providers currently licensed in Maine to deliver this service. KBH has provided a range of services for over 60 years to the Maine community. Juvenile Community Corrections is broken up into three regions across the state. KBH is the only provider that operates in Region 3, specifically a Bangor team, and the only provider who provides an Augusta team, which is considered Region 2. MST is an intensive family-based treatment that addresses the known determinants of serious antisocial behavior in adolescents and their families. As such, MST treats those factors in the youth's environment that are contributing to his or her behavior problems. Due to the geographical nature of Maine, one provider cannot cover the state with this service.

3. Explain how the negotiated costs or rates are fair and reasonable; or how the funding was allocated to grantee.

The individual treatment costs are established through a state-agency rate setting process. The Department deems this rate and cost fair and reasonable.

4. Describe the plan for future competition for the goods or services.

Future competition to this program will necessitate an RFP; however, the costs associated with the start-up of a new program will strongly inhibit another site from implementing this Blue Print Model.

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

PART V: APPROVALS							
The signatures below indicate approval of this procurement request.							
Signature of requesting Department's Commissioner (or designee):	DocuSigned by: Christine Thibeault 1FF8D729BD7F495						
Typed Name:	Christine Thibeault, Assoc. Commissioner	Date:	4/2/2024				
Signature of DAFS Procurement Official:	Kathy Paquette 41C2BA36FAF44CD						
Typed Name:	Kathy Paquette	Date:	4/25/2024				

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