



PROCUREMENT JUSTIFICATION FORM (PJF)

This form must accompany all contract requests and sole source requisitions (RQS) over \$10,000 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

Department Office/Division/Program:	DHHS/OADS/Psychological Services/Jennifer Keaten			
Department Contract Administrator or Grant Coordinator:	Jennifer Levesque/Lyndsay Frank			
(If applicable) Department Reference #:	Multiple; see attachment			
Agency Department Code:	10A	Advantage CT / RQS #:	20260526PSYCHOLOGICA	
Amount: (Contract/Amendment/Grant)	\$223,080.00			
CONTRACT	Proposed/Original Start Date:	7/1/2026	Proposed/Most Recent End Date:	12/31/2027
AMENDMENT	New Effective Date:		New End Date (if Applicable):	
GRANT	Project Start Date:		Grant Start Date:	
	Project End Date:		Grant End Date:	
Vendor/Provider/Grantee Name, City, State:	Multiple; see attachment			
Brief Description of Goods/Services/Grant:	Psychological Evaluation Services			

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
☐	C. Single Source/Unique Vendor	☐	I. Federal Agency Directed
☐	D. Proprietary/Copyright/Patents	☒	J. Willing and Qualified
☐	E. Emergency	☐	K. Client Choice

☐	F. Higher Education Cooperative Project	☐	L. Other Authorization
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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 Department is mandated by Maine statute to provide assistance and support for adult citizens of the State who are unable to manage their own affairs or to protect themselves from abuse, neglect, or exploitation. The Department is also mandated by statute to provide services and programs for persons with intellectual disabilities or autism which protect the integrity of the legal and human rights of these persons. The Department also provides a comprehensive neurorehabilitation service system designed to assist, educate, and rehabilitate persons with an acquired brain injury to attain and sustain the highest function and self-sufficiency possible using home-based and community-based treatments, services, and resources to the greatest possible degree.

Relevant statutes include 22 M.R.S., Chapter 958-A: Adult Protective Services Act; 34-B M.R.S., Chapter 5: Intellectual Disabilities and Autism; 18-C M.R.S. Article 5: Uniform Guardianship and Protective Proceedings; and 22 M.R.S., Chapter 715-A: Assistance for Survivors of Acquired Brain Injury.

The Department's Adult Protective Services (APS) is responsible for providing or arranging for services to protect adults in danger of abuse, neglect or exploitation. APS staff also petition for Public Guardianship and/or Conservatorship of adults when all less restrictive alternatives have failed.

The Department's Disability Services (DS) is responsible for providing a mechanism for the identification, evaluation, and provision of services to persons with intellectual disabilities or autism consistent with mandated principles guiding delivery of services through appropriate personal planning, as well as providing protective and supportive services to incapacitated and dependent persons.

The Department's Acquired Brain Injury (ABI) Services is responsible for providing or arranging for care management and coordination, crisis stabilization services, physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, neuropsychology, neurocognitive retraining, positive neurobehavioral supports and teaching, social skills retraining, counseling, vocational rehabilitation and independent living skills and supports for survivors of ABI.

This Agreement provides psychological consultation and evaluation services for the following populations:

a. Adult Protective Services

- (1) Adults who are alleged to be incapacitated as defined in 22 M.R.S., Chapter 958-A: Adult Protective Services Act.
- (2) Individuals for whom the Department is petitioning the probate court to be appointed public guardian and/or public conservator when there is no suitable, available, and willing private individual to serve as private guardian or conservator.

b. Disability Services

- (1) Qualified persons who are alleged to have intellectual disabilities or autism as defined in 34-B M.R.S., Chapter 5: Intellectual Disabilities and Autism.

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(2) Persons for whom psychological consultation or evaluation is requested to determine eligibility to receive disability services from the Department.

c. Acquired Brain Injury Services:

(1) Qualified persons who are alleged to have Acquired Brain Injury (ABI) as defined in 22 M.R.S., Chapter 715-A: Assistance for Survivors of Acquired Brain Injury.

(2) Persons for whom psychological consultation or evaluation is requested to determine eligibility to receive ABI services from the Department.

2. Provide a brief justification for the selected vendor to supplement the response in Part II. Reference the solicitation (RFP/RFA/RFQ) number if applicable.

DHHS, Office of Aging and Disability Services has determined that these providers are willing and qualified to provide these services. The providers currently provide psychological consultation and evaluation services, and the ABI board certified neuropsychologists have staff to provide the Acquired Brain Injury assessment services.

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

The rate charged by the Providers are considered fair and reasonable based on comparison with the rates commonly charged by qualified Providers for similar services. The rates are based on region and compared to other Psychologists providing these services in their area.

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

The Department does not intend to RFP this willing and qualified service.

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) or (026) – If Yes, please be aware of the requirements from awarding federal agencies.

☒ No – If No, proceed to Part V.

PART V: CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (COI); CONTRACT WITH THE STATE

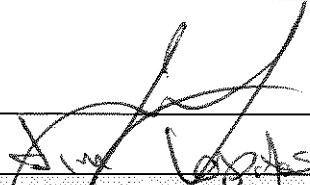
Maine law contains Conflict of Interest statutes directed to State Departments, State Officers, and Employees Generally under MRS Title 5, §18 and §18-A, in harmony with MRS Title 17, §3104.

☒ The requesting department's signatory affirms, understands, and acknowledges Maine's Conflict of Interest statutes and, in accordance with those statutes and to the best of their knowledge, has determined that no conflict of interest exists at the time of this contract, renewal, or amendment.

PART VI: APPROVALS

Governor/Department Commissioner or Designee

1. The signature below indicates approval of this procurement request.

Signature of requesting Department's Commissioner (or designee):			
Typed Name:	<i>[Handwritten Name]</i>	Date:	<i>22-Jun-26</i>

2. Additional signature required **ONLY** if box **E (Emergency)** is selected in **PART II**. The signature below indicates approval by the Department's Commissioner, or the designee specifically authorized to approve emergency procurement requests.

Signature of requesting Department's Commissioner (or designee):			
Typed Name:		Date:	

****OSPS Section Only****

Signature of DAFS Procurement Official:	Signed by: 		
Typed Name:	41C2BA36FAP44CD... Kathy Blais	Date:	7/21/2026

DHHS Office: OADS
Service: Psychological Evaluations SFY27
CTMV 10A 20260526PSYCHOLOGICA

Vendor Name	Agreement Number	CTP 10A	Start Date	End Date	Projected Spend
Austin Errico PHD LLC	ADS-27-2220	20260526000ADS272220	7/1/2026	12/31/2027	\$22,800.00
Shoreline Neurobehavioral Svcs	ADS-27-2226	20260526000ADS272226	7/1/2026	12/31/2027	\$22,800.00
Donald Devine	ADS-27-5222	20260526000ADS275222	7/1/2026	12/31/2027	\$64,350.00
Neuropsychology Service PA	ADS-27-5840	20260526000ADS275840	7/1/2026	12/31/2027	\$95,130.00
Michael William Curless	ADS-27-7229	20260526000ADS277229	7/1/2026	12/31/2027	\$18,000.00
Total Items	5			Total Projected	\$223,080.00