



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

Table with 4 columns and 10 rows containing procurement details such as Department Office/Division/Program, Amount (\$62,628.17), Proposed Start Date (9/1/2023), and Vendor Name (Kennebec Behavioral Health).

PART II: JUSTIFICATION FOR VENDOR SELECTION

Check the box below for the justification(s) that applies to this request. (Check all that apply.)

Table with 4 columns and 6 rows for justification options A through L. Option G (Grant) is checked.

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.

Section 223 of the PAMA helps states establish Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics (CCBHCs). Section 223 creates and evaluates a demonstration program, overseen by SAMHSA, for states to certify community behavioral health clinics. Certified clinics must meet specific criteria emphasizing high-quality care.

The Provider will conduct a review of current services and provide recommendations to improve diversion away from incarceration to treatment for people experiencing mental health and/or substance use conditions. The focus will be justice-involved individuals that have mental health and/or substance use disorder to determine ways to improve diversion away from incarceration to treatment.

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

This work is funded by the SAMHSA CCBHC Demonstration Grant, and the and funding for selected CCBHCs is included in the grant application. Kennebec Behavioral Health was selected based on the unique placement of their prospective CCBHC site (evidenced by a 2021 SAMHSA CCBHC grant) in Kennebec County. Kennebec county was identified as a key area of interest to support justice involved people living with mental health and/or substance use conditions, as it has the highest crime rate (40.7/1000 people) in Maine, according to Department of Public Safety 2021 Crime Report. Additionally, Kennebec County is the only locations with the three specialty courts (Family, Drug, and Veterans Court), a State-run psychiatric facility, and the first region to establish a key partnership between CCBHC and crisis services.

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

The scope of work and budget have been reviewed and approved by SAMHSA.

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

This work is supported by a Federal grant award and is not expected to continue beyond the grant period.

PART IV: AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) / MAINE JOBS & RECOVERY PLAN (MJRP)

Does this request utilize ARPA/MJRP funds?

Yes – If Yes, please attach the approved Business Case(s).

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): 

Typed Name: Paul G. Taylor Date: 2-Aug-23

Signature of DAFS Procurement Official: 

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