



Contracting Opportunity

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Title: SOLICITATION OF INTEREST (only) - First Episode Psychosis Coordinated Specialty Care (CSC) - Statewide
Agency: Mental Health, NYS Office of
Division: Community Budget & Financial Management
Contract Number: TBD
Contract Term: TBD
Date of Issue: 06/18/2021
Due Date/Time: 07/26/2021 4:00 PM
County(ies): All NYS counties
Location: Statewide
Classification: Medical & Health Care - *Consulting & Other Services* Medical & Laboratory Equipment - *Consulting & Other Services*
Opportunity Type: General
Entered By: Carol Swiderski
Description: UPDATE - 7/8/21

The eligible respondents category has been extended to include Public Benefit Corporations (PBCs).

UPDATE - June 29th

Please be advised that the boroughs to be served in the New York City region are Brooklyn and the Bronx (Not Queens). If submitting a response of interest for this region, please state that it is understood the boroughs are Brooklyn and the Bronx.

The New York State Office of Mental Health (OMH) is seeking Letters of Interest from not-for profit providers (with 501©3 incorporation) who operate a current Licensed Clinic to provide First Episode Psychosis Coordinated Specialty Care (CSC) services to youth and young adults ages 16-30 in the Western, Central, Hudson, Long Island, and New York City regions (Brooklyn and ~~Queens~~ the Bronx). Coordinated Specialty Care services are provided by a dedicated multi-disciplinary team of providers with specialized training in treating early psychosis using evidence-based practices.

CSC services have the following goals:

- Support youth and young adults with early psychosis in achieving their goals for school, work, and relationships
- Ensure that participants experiencing a first episode psychosis (FEP) receive specialized treatment as quickly and effectively as possible
- Engage participants and families and minimize treatment drop out
- Provide participants with recovery-oriented services, minimizing the disruption of illness and maximizing their capacity to return to meaningful lives
- Decrease the subsequent service use of this group, including hospitalizations and disability benefits.

CSC Teams must receive initial and ongoing training and technical assistance on the OnTrackNY model of CSC from OnTrack Central at the Center for Practice Innovations (CPI).

Teams are comprised of a minimum of 4.5 full-time equivalents (FTEs) of dedicated staff to treat a caseload of 35-40 program participants, maintaining a low client to staff ratio. All team members attend the weekly team meeting.

Team composition is as follows:

1. Two FTE positions are staffed by licensed clinicians to fulfill the roles of the Team Leader, Primary Clinician, and Outreach and Recruitment Coordinator (ORC). The Team Leader must be full-time on the team and hold an advanced clinical license and is expected to carry a caseload.
2. One full-time Supported Education and Employment Specialist;
3. One full-time Peer Specialist
4. 0.3 FTE Psychiatric Care Provider (MD or NPP)*
5. 0.2 FTE Registered Nurse*

*The psychiatric care provider and nurse roles may be combined to a 0.5 FTE role provided by a psychiatric nurse practitioner.

Teams must conduct Outreach and Recruitment activities in the community to provide education about FEP and CSC services. Teams conduct a thorough clinical evaluation to determine eligibility for program services using the OnTrackNY inclusion/ exclusion criteria and must provide rapid enrollment of eligible individuals into the program.

CSC teams provide the following services:

- evidence based psychopharmacology
- primary care coordination
- case management
- cognitive behavioral therapy (CBT)-informed psychotherapy, a goal-oriented psychotherapy for psychosis including psychoeducation
- evidence-based treatments for comorbidities including substance use disorders
- crisis intervention and suicide prevention
- trauma assessment
- family support and education
- supported education and employment

- peer support.

Teams must provide care flexibly and assertively both in the clinic and in the community, provide 24/7 crisis support, and focus on the needs and preferences of young people and their family members using shared decision making to promote recovery. Programs should have a commitment to racial equity and addressing disparities. Program enrollment is time-limited (services are provided for an average of 2 years) and discharge plans are created with clients and families to ensure that follow-up services are identified, and linkages are made.

If an award is made, discussions will take place between OnTrack Central, the regional OMH field office and the agency regarding program site location and the county or counties to be served.

CSC teams must participate in all required reporting and must become CSC designated providers. Providers are eligible for CSC designation following the completion of the initial training. A review by OnTrack Central will be required prior to OMH designation. Team certification is valid for a period of one year. To maintain CSC designation, the CSC Team must meet the aforementioned requirements for training, reporting, staffing, outreach and eligibility. The delivery of First Episode Psychosis services, and OnTrackNY Coordinated Specialty Care Certification must be obtained from OnTrack Central via an Annual Fidelity Assessment. Teams will be required to submit an annual "Attestation of Compliance" confirming that the Team has met and adhered to all criteria and requirements of the program.

Please send your indication of interest to Carol Swiderski via email at carol.swiderski@omh.ny.gov by Monday, July 12th at 4:00 pm.

Please note this is solely a Solicitation of Interest and does not guarantee an award or contract.

Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Set Aside: No

Total MWBE Participation Goals: 0%

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Documents

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Ad Updates

Change(s) to the ad are shown below:

Date / time	Description	Changed by
07/08/2021 7:53 AM	Addition of Public Benefit Corporations to eligible respondents.	Carol Swiderski
07/08/2021 7:52 AM	Due to change in eligible respondents, extend due date by two weeks.	Carol Swiderski
06/29/2021 2:17 PM	Correction to the boroughs in New York City to be served - from Queens to the Bronx.	Carol Swiderski
06/29/2021 2:15 PM	Change in NYC boroughs to be served - from Queens to the Bronx.	Carol Swiderski

Bid Results

Bid Results have not yet been entered.

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Awards

Awards have not yet been entered.

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