To: AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana Behavioral Health Providers

Date: March 6, 2020

Subject: Behavioral Health Pre-Solicitation for Inpatient Substance Use Treatment Services

Summary: Central Louisiana Human Services District (CLHSD) Pre-Solicitation for Treatment Services

The Louisiana Department of Health has requested that AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana notify our providers that Central Louisiana Human Services District (CLHSD) is soliciting treatment services for a low intensity, licensed, residential treatment facility for women in recovery from substance use disorders and dependent children, including TANF eligible families, throughout the state of Louisiana.

The contractual agreement will be for a period of three years, beginning July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2023. Providers will be required to demonstrate that they can secure a facility for their services no more than 50 miles from Alexandria, Louisiana in one of the eight parishes served by CLHSD.

Interested parties should contact CLHSD to inquire about a Request for Proposal by submitting a Letter of Interest to Rebecca Craig, Interim Executive Director, CLHSD, 5411 Coliseum Blvd, Alexandria, LA 71303, and/or by submitting the Letter of Interest via email to Rebecca.Craig@la.gov.

Letters must be received on or before 5 pm CST on Tuesday, March 31, 2020.

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Deadline for Letter of Interest is March 31, 2020 at 5:00 pm CST.

Central Louisiana Human Services District (CLHSD) will be soliciting services for a residential treatment facility for women and dependent children, including Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) eligible families, throughout the state of Louisiana through the issuance of a contractual agreement for the period of three years beginning July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2023. At a minimum, the 20 bed facility should meet standards for a 3.1 clinically managed, low intensity unit. The primary goal for TANF in Louisiana is to provide families in need with a combination of financial assistance and work opportunities so that they can eventually become independent.* Providers will be required to demonstrate that they can secure a facility for their services no more than 50 miles from Alexandria, Louisiana in one of the eight parishes served by CLHSD (i.e., Avoyelles, Catahoula, Concordia, Grant, LaSalle, Rapides, Winn, and Vernon). Providers will be required to demonstrate that they can provide structured, supervised, residential treatment services 24 hours a day, seven days a week using treatment models that are research-based and outcome-oriented for individuals with addictive disorders who need to begin the process of physical, mental and emotional rehabilitation.

Interested parties must respond timely to the solicitation deadline and clearly show that they can:
1) secure a licensable facility for said services;
2) provide services that are reimbursable by Medicaid, TANF (for room, board, and treatment), or other third party payers. TANF shall act as the payer of last resort for persons who qualify for the resources described by TANF funding;
3) provide treatment services by certified, licensed professionals with experience in such treatment;
4) provide support for women in recovery from substance use disorders, including pregnant women and women with dependent children.

If your agency is interested in providing these services, please contact Central Louisiana Human Services District to inquire about a Request for Proposal by submitting a Letter of Interest via email to Rebecca.Craig@la.gov or mail the Letter of Interest to:

Rebecca Craig, Interim Executive Director
Central Louisiana Human Services District
5411 Coliseum Blvd.
Alexandria, LA 71303

The Letter of Interest must include a brief explanation of the agency’s experience in providing this level of care and must be received on or before 5:00 pm CST on March 31, 2020.

Respectfully,

Rebecca L. Craig
CLHSD Interim Executive Director

*For additional information on the TANF Program, please visit www.tanfprogram.com and click on Louisiana TANF Program