



Bid Waiver Form

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Short Description of Goods/Services	Residential Substance Use Disorder (RSUD) Room and Board	Total Cost	\$868,944 annually - indefinite waiver
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Vendor Name	Various	MUNIS #		Req #	
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Purchasing Officer	Pete Patten	Date	12/20/2023
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A VENDOR QUOTE MUST BE ATTACHED TO THE WAIVER FOR APPROVAL

Provide a detailed description of the goods/services intended to be purchased:

In 2021, Wisconsin Medicaid began funding Residential Substance Use Disorder (RSUD) treatment. However, Medicaid coverage only supports the treatment portion of services, and leaves the cost of room and board to the individual being served. The contracts associated with this bid waiver fund only the room and board portion of RSUD treatment, allowing Dane County Medicaid recipients access to this service when deemed clinically necessary. This Bid Waiver would be for indefinite ongoing services.

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Procurement Exception List

- Emergency Procurement
- Unique and specific technical qualifications are required
- A special adaptation for a special purpose is required
- A unique or opportune buying condition exists
- Only one vendor possesses the unique and singularly available ability to meet the Department's requirements

Provide a detailed explanation as to why the competitive bidding (RFB/RFP) process cannot be used. Also provide a detailed justification in relation to the Procurement Exception(s) chosen:

At present the Department contracts with the following agencies for provision of Room and Board:

1. ARC Community Services
2. Blandine House
3. Catholic Charities
4. Nova Counseling Services
5. Meta House
6. Mooring House (Apricity)
7. United Community Center

The Department maintains an Residential Substance Use Disorder (RSUD) Directory to inform the community of agencies contracted to provide this service. Each contracted agency is responsible for assessing individual's clinical appropriateness for services, and is ultimately responsible for obtaining Forward Health approval of RSUD treatment funding. Contracts permit agencies to bill the Department for provision of Room and Board when Forward Health has approved treatment funding.

The Department is reliant upon the Medicaid provider network for provision of this service. The Dane County Medicaid providers for RSUD treatment do not have sufficient capacity to meet the needs of Dane County Residents, resulting in the need for expansion of services outside of Dane County. In order to provide a robust array of providers to meet the unique needs of the individuals we serve, while remaining beholden to the Medicaid network, the Department of Human Services is requesting a blanket bid waiver for provision of the Room and Board services associated with RSUD treatment. Approval of this blanket bid waiver will enable the Department to establish a network of RSUD treatment providers that must also be active Medicaid providers. Providers participating in the network will adhere to identical contract requirements, including state licensure under administrative rule DHS 75 (Community Substance Use Service Standards). Initial contract amounts will vary based on historic utilization and anticipated spend, with the ability to increase contracts based utilization and funding availability.

Bid Waiver Approval (For Purchasing Use Only)

Under \$44,000 (Controller)

\$44,000+ (Personnel & Finance Committee)

Date Approved:

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