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Office of the Secretary

February 1, 2022

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. Richard Clark
Special Assistant to President
PIO, Office of the President

FROM: Secretary

SUBJECT: Open Bid Announcement-Grant Writing: American Rescue Plan Act (ARP) –
Pediatric Mental Health Care Access (PMHCA) – New Area Expansion program

Kindly assist to put the attached bid announcement on your website to solicit interest from the general public.

Thank you very much and if you should require additional information, please call my staffs at FSM Behavioral Health and Wellness Program at telephone number 320-5520/5521.

Sincerely,

Mr. Marcus Samo

XC: Mr. Moses Pretrick, Assistant Secretary, DHSA
Mr. Benido Victor, FSM BHWP Director

Bids Request for Proposal

Title: Grant Writing

Background: The FSM Department of Health and Social Affairs is soliciting bid or Request for Proposal (RFP) from interested parties or individual to compile a grant applications and proposals. The funding opportunity title is the ‘American Rescue Plan Act (ARP) - Pediatric Mental Health Care Access (PMHCA) – New Area Expansion program’, by the US Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA).

This notice announces the opportunity to apply for funding under the American Rescue Plan Act (ARP) - Pediatric Mental Health Care Access (PMHCA) – New Area Expansion program. The purpose of this program is to promote behavioral health integration into pediatric primary care by supporting pediatric mental health care telehealth access programs. State or regional networks of pediatric mental health care teams will provide tele-consultation, training, technical assistance, and care coordination support for pediatric primary care providers (PCPs) to diagnose, treat, and refer children with behavioral health conditions. Successful recipients will focus on achieving health equity related to racial, ethnic, and geographic disparities in access to care, especially in rural and other underserved areas. PMHCA advances HRSA strategic plan goals to improve access to quality health services, foster a health care workforce able to address current and emerging needs, achieve health equity, and enhance population health.

General Scope of Work: Review and strictly follow all grant applications guidelines, directions, and other rules associated with the submission of the Application Proposals. Format the proposals to meet the grants’ requirements to earn a maximum number of evaluation points, work closely with FSM Behavioral Health and Wellness Program (BHWP) staffs to ensure that the grant proposals most accurately articulate needs, compose the proposals documents, including editing, formatting and creation of charts and tables for the best visual impact and ease of readability, provide to Secretary of the Department of Health and Social Services and the BHWP Director with a draft by March 25, 2022.

Submission and Selection: Proposal for review must be submitted by emailing the proposal to Mr. Marcus Samo, Secretary of Health & Social Affairs at this email address: health@fsmhealth.fm and copy the same to Mr. Benido Victor, the FSM BHWP Director at bvictor@fsmhealth.fm. Such submission must include the following: an updated CV, detail cost estimate of the work, telephone number and facsimile numbers, including mailing and email address and writing sample.

Final Approval: The Department of Health and Social Affairs has the final say in approving the bid and reserves the right to reject all or part(s) of any submission.

Bid Open Date: February 1, 2022
Bid Closing Date: February 28, 2022