



COMMUNITY COLLEGE
OF RHODE ISLAND

Purchasing Office

LETTER OF INTEREST (LOI): BB002925

TITLE: AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER TRAINING INSTRUCTOR

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: September 9, 2014 at 11:00 AM (ET)

PRE-BID CONFERENCE:

NO

YES – NON-MANDATORY

YES – MANDATORY: Bidder must attend the mandatory prebid conference. The bidder's representative must register with the Community College of RI Purchasing Office at the mandatory prebid conference and identify the bidder he or she represents.

Location:

Date:

Time:

Buyer Name:

Title:

QUESTIONS concerning this solicitation must be received by the Community College of Rhode Island at (purchasing@ccri.edu) no later than (August 27, 2014, 12:00 PM (ET)). Questions should be submitted in a *Microsoft Word attachment*. Please reference the bid number (LOI #BB002925) on all correspondence. Questions received, if any, will be posted on the Rhode Island Division of Purchases, Other RI Bid Opportunities, website as an addendum to this solicitation. It is the responsibility of all interested parties to download this information.

SURETY REQUIRED: NO

BOND REQUIRED: NO

DISK BASED BID:

NO

YES: See attached Disk Based Bidding Information

NOTE TO VENDORS:

A complete, signed bid/offer Package, Including a completed two-page RIVIP Bidder Certification Cover Form/Contract Offer must be submitted with the specific Bid/RFP Number, date, and time of bid closing noted on the envelope. Mail to: Purchasing Office, Community College of RI, 400 East Avenue, Warwick, RI 02886.

THIS IS NOT A BIDDER CERTIFICATION FORM

The Community College of Rhode Island (CCRI), Purchasing Office is soliciting Letters of Interest (LOI) and Statements of Qualifications from firms, organizations, and/or individuals to provide instructions and training services, as needed, for the period as listed on the attached document, renewal, at the sole option of the State/CCRI, for four (4) additional 12-month terms, as described herein, and in accordance with the State's General Conditions of Purchase, which is available on the Internet at www.purchasing.Ri.gov.

CCRI intends to make multiple awards under this solicitation. Inclusion on the qualified provider list for this LOI is no guarantee of income. Vendor selection will be based on a number of factors, including (but not limited to) price, availability, expertise and satisfaction with services provided.

This is not an Invitation for Bid: responses will be evaluated on the basis of the relative merits of the submission, in addition to price; there will be no public opening or reading of responses received by the CCRI Purchasing Office pursuant to this request

Instructions and Notifications to Offerors

Potential offerors are advised to review all sections of this Request carefully and to follow instructions completely, as failure to make a complete submission as described elsewhere herein may result in rejection of the proposal

Alternative approaches and/or methodologies to accomplish the desired or intended results of this procurement are solicited. However, proposals which depart from or materially alter the terms, requirements, or scope of work defined by this Request will be rejected as being non-responsive.

All costs associated with developing or submitting a proposal in response to this Request, or to provide oral or written clarification of its content shall be borne by the offeror the College assumes no responsibility for these costs.

Proposals are considered to be irrevocable for a period of not less than sixty (60) days following the opening date, and may not be withdrawn, except with the express written permission of the College Purchasing Agent.

All pricing submitted will be considered to be firm and fixed unless otherwise indicated herein.

Proposals misdirected to other State locations or which are otherwise not present in the CCRI Purchasing Office at the time of opening for any cause will be determined to be late and may not be considered. **For the purposes of this requirement, the official time and date shall be that of the time clock in the reception area of the CCRI Purchasing Office.**

It is intended that an award pursuant to this Request will be made to a prime contractor, who will assume responsibility for all aspects of the work. Joint venture and cooperative proposals will not be considered, but subcontracts are permitted, provided that their use is clearly indicated in the offeror's proposal, and the subcontractor (s) proposed to be used are identified in the proposal.

In accordance with Title 7, Chapter 1.1 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, no foreign corporation shall have the right to transact business in the state until it shall have procured a Certificate of Authority to do so from the Rhode Island Secretary of State (401-222-3040). This is a requirement only of the selected vendor(s).

Offerors are advised that all materials submitted to the State of Rhode Island for consideration in response to this LOI will be considered public records, as defined in Title 38 Chapter 2 of the Rhode Island General Laws, without exception, and will be released for inspection immediately upon request, once an award has been made.

Interested parties are instructed to review the Division of Purchases web site on a regular basis, as additional information relating to this solicitation may be released in the form of an addendum to this LOI.

Background Check: The State reserves the right to conduct criminal background checks on any and all of Contractor's personnel assigned to this Contract. In the event an individual's file/background check proves other than satisfactory, as determined solely by CCRI, CCRI reserves the right to have the individual(s) immediately removed from performing under this Contract and replaced by acceptable personnel at no additional cost to CCRI.

Contractor Reporting and Accounting Requirements

Reporting: Contractor agrees to submit all required documentation and reports on a timely basis and in accordance with the specified time frames pursuant to this Contract. Penalties for delinquent reporting may include withholding of payments until such time all reports are received, cancellation and/or termination of this Contract with no obligation to pay for undocumented services, or both. Contractor shall not be responsible, and shall not be penalized, for State's loss of documentation and reports.

Access to Records: Contractor agrees that CCRI, or any of its duly authorized representatives, has the right of timely and unrestricted access during normal business hours to any books, documents, papers, reports, or other records of Contractor that are pertinent to the fulfillment of the requirements of this Contract, in order to make audit, examinations, excerpts, transcripts, and copies of such documents. This right also includes timely and reasonable access to Contractor's personnel for the purpose of reviewing, interviewing, evaluating, and monitoring related to such documents. All such items shall be available to the requesting party in the Purchasing office at CCRI.

Ownership: Contractor agrees that all information, data, and supporting documentation provided by CCRI that relates to the services here under shall remain the property of CCRI.

Maintenance of Records: Contractor's records, books, and other documents reasonably related to this Contract shall be kept and maintained in standard accounting form. Such records, books, and documents shall be made available in Contractor's offices in Rhode Island subject to inspection by CCRI or authorized CCRI personnel upon request during normal Business Hours. State shall retain the right to audit the records, books, and documents, in whatever form, at their discretion upon reasonable notice to Contractor. Contractor shall ensure that that any and all

electronic data is compatible with State's ability to record and read such data and Contractor shall provide electronic data in a format compatible with State's information technology capabilities. Contractor shall furnish all required items, including, but not limited to, documents pertaining to services provided for purposes of this Contract, records of work performed, records of payments, copies of invoices and/or receipts, or other items necessary or convenient to transmit and communicate the information needed or convenient for full and unrestricted audit of the Contractor's records, books, and documents.

Audit: The State Auditor, its assigns, or any other governmental entity approved by State shall have the unrestricted right to audit all data or documents related to this Contract. Such data shall be furnished in Contractor's offices at a mutually convenient time within a reasonable time. Should State determine it reasonably necessary, Contractor shall make all of its records, books, and documents reasonably related to this Contract available to authorized State personnel, at reasonable times and within reasonable periods, for inspection or auditing purposes or to substantiate the provisions of services under this Contract.

Contractor Confidentiality

Public Information Act: The parties acknowledge and agree that State is subject, as a matter of law, to Rhode Island Government Code also known as the Rhode Island Information Act (hereinafter "Public Information Act"). Notwithstanding any other provision, the parties agree that in the event that any provision of this Contract, or other documents related to this Contract, including, but not limited to, any exhibit, attachment, amendment, addendum, or other incorporated document, is in conflict with the Public Information Act, such provision shall be of no force or effect. Furthermore, it is expressly acknowledged and agreed that Rhode Island courts, judges, elected officials, Department heads, and municipal employees (hereinafter "State Requestors") may request advice, decisions, and opinions of the Attorney General of the State of RI in regard to the application of the Public Information Act to any software, hardware, firmware, or any part thereof, or other equipment or item, data, or information, or any other thing or item furnished to or in the possession or knowledge of State. It is further acknowledged and agreed that the State Requestors have the right and obligation by law to rely on the advice, decisions, and opinions of the Rhode Island Attorney General. Contractor hereby releases the State Requestors from any and all liability or obligation of any type, kind, or nature regarding any disclosure of any software, hardware, firmware, or any part thereof, or other equipment or item, data, or information, or any other thing or item furnished by Contractor or in the possession or knowledge of State that is determined by State or in reliance on any advice, decision, or opinion of the Rhode Island Attorney General to be available to the public or any persons.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the parties agree, to the extent permitted by the Public Information Act, to keep confidential (and store in a secure area with limited access) and will not copy, publish, sell, exchange, disclose, or provide to others or use any information, documents, or data, provided to or disclosed to the other party, or any information related to this Contract, including, but not limited to, any exhibit, attachment, amendment, addendum, or other incorporated document, for any purposes other than performing each party's obligations under this Contract.

Vendor Questions & Submission

Questions concerning this solicitation may be e-mailed to the CCRI Purchasing Office at purchasing@ccri.edu no later than the date & time listed on page one of this solicitation. Questions should be submitted in a Microsoft Word attachment Please reference the RFP / LOI # on all correspondence. Questions received, if any, will be posted on the Internet as an addendum to this solicitation. It is the responsibility of all interested parties to download this information.

Letters of Interest to provide the services covered by this Request must be received by the CCRI Purchasing Office **on or before the date & time listed on page one of this solicitation.** Responses received after this time, as registered by the official time clock in the reception area of the CCRI Purchasing Office, may not be considered.

Responses must include the following:

1. A complete, signed bid/offer Package, Including a completed two-page RIVIP Bidder Certification Cover Form/Contract Offer
2. A statement of qualifications, including staff resume(s). Each staff member's resume shall include the following:
 - List of specialties
 - List of programs
 - Documentation of any and all certifications and/or licenses for services.
3. A signed Cost Proposal featuring all-inclusive hourly fees or rates to be charged and a confirmation that the Offeror is not a State employee. Hourly rates are to be submitted for each year of the maximum five-year term of the contract period. If only one set of hourly rates are submitted, those rates will remain in effect for the duration of the contract (maximum five years).
4. References.
5. Minimum employment requirements including education, training, previous work experience as required by scope of project.
6. Company testing, training, screening, and continuing education plan.
7. Company quality assurance plan to monitor on a regular basis the performance of service providers.
8. Emergency and after-hours contact for Contractor's account representative.
9. Cancellation policy.
10. A completed IRS Form W-9.

An original plus two (2) copies of all materials, in a sealed envelope marked LOI # and Title should be mailed or hand-delivered to:

**Community College of RI
Purchasing Office
400 East Avenue
2nd Floor
Room 2333
Warwick, RI 02886**

NOTE: Proposals faxed or emailed to the CCRI Purchasing Office will not be considered.

Evaluation & Selection

Responses will be evaluated on the basis of apparent ability of the Offeror, the relevancy of the service or program, and the cost of the service. All evaluation criteria are of equal importance. CCRI may make multiple awards as a result of this solicitation.

As a result of this solicitation, CCRI will establish a list of qualified service providers and programs for up to the maximum five year contract term. Selection and utilization of individual providers will be based on need, availability, and price. Inclusion on the qualified provider list is no guarantee of income.

Notwithstanding the above, the CCRI reserves the right not to award this contract or to award on the basis of cost alone, to accept or reject any or all proposals, and to award in its best interest.

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Community College of Rhode Island Bidder Certification Form/Contract Offer

Vendor Information

Bid/LOI/RFP Number: _____

Bid/LOI/RFP Title: _____

Opening Date & Time: _____

Vendor Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ **Fax:** _____

Email: _____

Contact Person: _____ **Title:** _____

R.I. Foreign Corp #: _____

NOTICE TO OFFERORS

This two-page Community College of Rhode Island (CCRI) Bidder Certification Form/Contract Offer **must** be attached to the front of the offer and shall be considered an integral part of each offer made by a vendor to enter into a contract with CCRI. As such, submittal of the entire Community College of Rhode Island Bidder Certification Form/Contract Offer, signed by a duly authorized representative of the offeror attesting to the accuracy of the information provided and the offer extended, is a mandatory part of any contract award. Offers received without the entire completed two-page form attached may result in offer disqualification.

Other Provisions and Procedures

To assure maximum access opportunities for users, public bid/RFP notices shall be posted on the Rhode Island Division of Purchases Website (www.purchasing.ri.gov/) for a minimum of seven days and no amendments shall be made within the last five days before the date an offer is due.

Offers are irrevocable for sixty (60) days from the opening date (or such other extended period set forth in the solicitation), and may not be withdrawn, except with the express permission of the College Purchasing Agent. All pricing will be considered to be firm and fixed unless otherwise indicated. All offers must define delivery dates for all items; if no delivery date is specified, it is assumed that immediate delivery from stock will be made. After an award has been made, failure to meet all requirements of this invitation may result in a determination of default. Payments for partial delivery will not be made, except where expressly provided herein.

Unless specified "no substitute," product offerings equivalent in quality and performance will be considered (at the sole option of the College) on the condition that the offer is accompanied by detailed product specifications.

The College reserves the right to (a) make awards on the basis that best serves the interest of CCRI, individual items, total low, etc., and (b) reject any and all bids in whole or in part. Prices quoted are N30, FOB DESTINATION, less federal/state tax.

VENDOR AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED. When a purchase order or change order is issued by the Community College of Rhode Island, no claim for payment for services rendered or goods delivered contrary to or in excess of the contract terms and scope shall be considered valid unless the vendor has obtained a written change order issued by the Community College of Rhode Island **PRIOR TO** delivery.

Any offer, whether in response to a solicitation for proposals or bids, or made without a solicitation, which is accepted in the form of a purchase order made in writing by the Purchasing Agent, or a state official with purchasing authority delegated by the Purchasing Agent, shall be considered a binding contract.

Where bid surety is required, bidder must furnish a bid bond or certified check for 5% of the bid total with the bid, or for such other amount as may be specified. Where indicated, successful bidder must furnish a 100% performance bond and labor and payment bond for contracts subject to Title 37 Chapters 12 and 13 of the Rhode Island General Laws. All bonds must be furnished by a surety company authorized to conduct business in the State of Rhode Island.

This solicitation and any contract or purchase order arising from it is issued in accordance with the specific requirements described herein, and the State's Purchasing Laws and Regulations and other applicable State Laws, including the Board of Governors for Higher Education General Terms and Conditions of Purchase. The regulations, General Terms and Conditions are incorporated into all Community College of Rhode Island contracts and can be viewed at www.ribghe.org/procurementregs113006.pdf.

Offerors are advised that all materials submitted to the College for consideration in response to this solicitation will be considered without exception to be Public Records pursuant to Title 38 Chapter 2 of the Rhode Island General Laws, and will be released for

inspection upon written request once an award has been made. Bidders are encouraged to attend Public Bid Openings to obtain competitive pricing information. Bid tabulations may be reviewed after award(s) have been made at the Community College of Rhode Island Purchasing Office Mondays through Fridays between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. – telephone requests for bid results will not be honored.

Provisions of State labor laws concerning payment of prevailing wage rates, issued by the R.I. Department of Labor and Training, shall apply for contracts involving public works construction, alteration, or building repair work.

In accordance with Title 7 Chapter 1.1-99 of the Rhode Island General Laws, foreign corporations (a corporation established other than in Rhode Island) must be qualified to transact business in this state.

State Equal Employment Opportunity Compliance certificate and agreement procedures will apply to all awards for supplies or services valued at \$10,000 and more. Minority Business Enterprise policies and procedures, including subcontracting opportunities as described in Title 37 Chapter 14.1 of the Rhode Island General Laws, also apply. For further information, contact the State MBE Administrator at (401) 574-8253 or charles.newton@doa.ri.gov, visit the website <http://www.mbe.ri.gov/>.

ALL CONTRACT AWARDS ARE SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING DISCLOSURES & CERTIFICATIONS

Offerors must respond to every disclosure statement. A person authorized to enter into contracts must sign the offer and attest to the accuracy of all statements. Incomplete certification forms are grounds for disqualification of offer.

Indicate Yes (Y) or No (N):

- ___1 Has your firm (or any principal) been subject to the following findings by the Federal Government, State of Rhode Island or any other jurisdiction? Suspension, Debarment, Indictment, Criminal Conviction. CIRCLE APPROPRIATE ITEM (S).
- ___2 Has your firm (or any principal) been fined more than \$5000 for a single violation by the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management for violation of Rhode Island Wetlands law?
- ___3 I/we certify that I/we will immediately disclose, in writing, to the College Purchasing Agent any potential conflict of interest which may occur during the course of the engagement authorized pursuant to this contract.
- ___4 I/we acknowledge that, in accordance with (1) RIGL Section 37-2-54(C) “no purchase or contract shall be binding on the state or any agency thereof unless approved by the Department [of Administration] or made under general regulations which the Chief Purchasing Officer may prescribe,” and (2) RIGL section 37-2-7(16) which identifies the Board of Governors for Higher Education as a public agency and gives binding contractual authority to the College Purchasing Agent.
- ___5 I/we certify that all of the vendor information provided is correct and complete.
- ___6 I/we certify that I or my firm possesses all licenses required by Federal and State law and regulation as they pertain to the requirements of the solicitation and offer made herein and shall maintain such required license(s) during the entire course of the contract resulting from the offer contained herein and, should my/our license lapse or be suspended, I/we shall immediately inform the Community College of Rhode Island Purchasing Agent in writing of such circumstance.
- ___7 I/we certify that I/we will maintain required insurance during the entire course of the contract resulting from the offer contained herein and, should my/our insurance lapse or be suspended, I/we shall immediately inform the Community College of Rhode Island Purchasing Agent in writing of such circumstance.
- ___8 I/we certify that I/we understand that falsification of any information herein or failure to notify the Community College of Rhode Island Purchasing Agent as certified herein may be grounds for suspension, debarment and/or prosecution for perjury.
- ___9 I/we acknowledge that the provisions and procedures set forth in this form apply to any offer contained herein.

IF YOU HAVE ANSWERED “YES” TO QUESTIONS #1 or 2 OR IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO CERTIFY YES TO QUESTIONS #3 – 9 OF THE FOREGOING, PROVIDE DETAILS/EXPLANATION BELOW AND/OR IN AN ATTACHED STATEMENT.

Signature below commits vendor to the attached offer and certifies (1) that the offer reflects all solicitation amendments (2) that the above statements and information are accurate (3) that vendor understands and has complied with the requirements set forth herein

Vendor’s Signature: _____ Date: _____
(Person authorized to enter into contracts; signature must be in ink) (If applicable)

Print Name and Title of Company official signing offer _____ Telephone Number _____

Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

**Give Form to the
 requester. Do not
 send to the IRS.**

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| Print or type See Specific Instructions on page 2. | Name (as shown on your income tax return) | |
| | Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above | |
| | Check appropriate box for federal tax classification (required): <input type="checkbox"/> Individual/sole proprietor <input type="checkbox"/> C Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> S Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Trust/estate | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=partnership) ▶ | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (see instructions) ▶ | |
| Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.) | | Requester's name and address (optional) |
| City, state, and ZIP code | | |
| List account number(s) here (optional) | | |

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on the "Name" line to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the Part I instructions on page 3. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN* on page 3.

| Social security number | | | | | | | | | |
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Note. If the account is in more than one name, see the chart on page 4 for guidelines on whose number to enter.

| Employer identification number | | | | | | | | | |
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Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me), and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding, and
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below).

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions on page 4.

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| Sign Here | Signature of U.S. person ▶ | Date ▶ |
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General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Purpose of Form

A person who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) to report, for example, income paid to you, real estate transactions, mortgage interest you paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, or contributions you made to an IRA.

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN to the person requesting it (the requester) and, when applicable, to:

1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),
2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income.

Note. If a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

Definition of a U.S. person. For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

- An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien,
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States,
- An estate (other than a foreign estate), or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

Special rules for partnerships. Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax on any foreign partners' share of income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, a partnership is required to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid withholding on your share of partnership income.

The person who gives Form W-9 to the partnership for purposes of establishing its U.S. status and avoiding withholding on its allocable share of net income from the partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States is in the following cases:

- The U.S. owner of a disregarded entity and not the entity,
- The U.S. grantor or other owner of a grantor trust and not the trust, and
- The U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust) and not the beneficiaries of the trust.

Foreign person. If you are a foreign person, do not use Form W-9. Instead, use the appropriate Form W-8 (see Publication 515, Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities).

Nonresident alien who becomes a resident alien. Generally, only a nonresident alien individual may use the terms of a tax treaty to reduce or eliminate U.S. tax on certain types of income. However, most tax treaties contain a provision known as a “saving clause.” Exceptions specified in the saving clause may permit an exemption from tax to continue for certain types of income even after the payee has otherwise become a U.S. resident alien for tax purposes.

If you are a U.S. resident alien who is relying on an exception contained in the saving clause of a tax treaty to claim an exemption from U.S. tax on certain types of income, you must attach a statement to Form W-9 that specifies the following five items:

1. The treaty country. Generally, this must be the same treaty under which you claimed exemption from tax as a nonresident alien.
2. The treaty article addressing the income.
3. The article number (or location) in the tax treaty that contains the saving clause and its exceptions.
4. The type and amount of income that qualifies for the exemption from tax.
5. Sufficient facts to justify the exemption from tax under the terms of the treaty article.

Example. Article 20 of the U.S.-China income tax treaty allows an exemption from tax for scholarship income received by a Chinese student temporarily present in the United States. Under U.S. law, this student will become a resident alien for tax purposes if his or her stay in the United States exceeds 5 calendar years. However, paragraph 2 of the first Protocol to the U.S.-China treaty (dated April 30, 1984) allows the provisions of Article 20 to continue to apply even after the Chinese student becomes a resident alien of the United States. A Chinese student who qualifies for this exception (under paragraph 2 of the first protocol) and is relying on this exception to claim an exemption from tax on his or her scholarship or fellowship income would attach to Form W-9 a statement that includes the information described above to support that exemption.

If you are a nonresident alien or a foreign entity not subject to backup withholding, give the requester the appropriate completed Form W-8.

What is backup withholding? Persons making certain payments to you must under certain conditions withhold and pay to the IRS a percentage of such payments. This is called “backup withholding.” Payments that may be subject to backup withholding include interest, tax-exempt interest, dividends, broker and barter exchange transactions, rents, royalties, nonemployee pay, and certain payments from fishing boat operators. Real estate transactions are not subject to backup withholding.

You will not be subject to backup withholding on payments you receive if you give the requester your correct TIN, make the proper certifications, and report all your taxable interest and dividends on your tax return.

Payments you receive will be subject to backup withholding if:

1. You do not furnish your TIN to the requester,
2. You do not certify your TIN when required (see the Part II instructions on page 3 for details),
3. The IRS tells the requester that you furnished an incorrect TIN,
4. The IRS tells you that you are subject to backup withholding because you did not report all your interest and dividends on your tax return (for reportable interest and dividends only), or
5. You do not certify to the requester that you are not subject to backup withholding under 4 above (for reportable interest and dividend accounts opened after 1983 only).

Certain payees and payments are exempt from backup withholding. See the instructions below and the separate Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9.

Also see *Special rules for partnerships* on page 1.

Updating Your Information

You must provide updated information to any person to whom you claimed to be an exempt payee if you are no longer an exempt payee and anticipate receiving reportable payments in the future from this person. For example, you may need to provide updated information if you are a C corporation that elects to be an S corporation, or if you no longer are tax exempt. In addition, you must furnish a new Form W-9 if the name or TIN changes for the account, for example, if the grantor of a grantor trust dies.

Penalties

Failure to furnish TIN. If you fail to furnish your correct TIN to a requester, you are subject to a penalty of \$50 for each such failure unless your failure is due to reasonable cause and not to willful neglect.

Civil penalty for false information with respect to withholding. If you make a false statement with no reasonable basis that results in no backup withholding, you are subject to a \$500 penalty.

Criminal penalty for falsifying information. Willfully falsifying certifications or affirmations may subject you to criminal penalties including fines and/or imprisonment.

Misuse of TINs. If the requester discloses or uses TINs in violation of federal law, the requester may be subject to civil and criminal penalties.

Specific Instructions

Name

If you are an individual, you must generally enter the name shown on your income tax return. However, if you have changed your last name, for instance, due to marriage without informing the Social Security Administration of the name change, enter your first name, the last name shown on your social security card, and your new last name.

If the account is in joint names, list first, and then circle, the name of the person or entity whose number you entered in Part I of the form.

Sole proprietor. Enter your individual name as shown on your income tax return on the “Name” line. You may enter your business, trade, or “doing business as (DBA)” name on the “Business name/disregarded entity name” line.

Partnership, C Corporation, or S Corporation. Enter the entity's name on the “Name” line and any business, trade, or “doing business as (DBA) name” on the “Business name/disregarded entity name” line.

Disregarded entity. Enter the owner's name on the “Name” line. The name of the entity entered on the “Name” line should never be a disregarded entity. The name on the “Name” line must be the name shown on the income tax return on which the income will be reported. For example, if a foreign LLC that is treated as a disregarded entity for U.S. federal tax purposes has a domestic owner, the domestic owner's name is required to be provided on the “Name” line. If the direct owner of the entity is also a disregarded entity, enter the first owner that is not disregarded for federal tax purposes. Enter the disregarded entity's name on the “Business name/disregarded entity name” line. If the owner of the disregarded entity is a foreign person, you must complete an appropriate Form W-8.

Note. Check the appropriate box for the federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on the “Name” line (Individual/sole proprietor, Partnership, C Corporation, S Corporation, Trust/estate).

Limited Liability Company (LLC). If the person identified on the “Name” line is an LLC, check the “Limited liability company” box only and enter the appropriate code for the tax classification in the space provided. If you are an LLC that is treated as a partnership for federal tax purposes, enter “P” for partnership. If you are an LLC that has filed a Form 8832 or a Form 2553 to be taxed as a corporation, enter “C” for C corporation or “S” for S corporation. If you are an LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner under Regulation section 301.7701-3 (except for employment and excise tax), do not check the LLC box unless the owner of the LLC (required to be identified on the “Name” line) is another LLC that is not disregarded for federal tax purposes. If the LLC is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner, enter the appropriate tax classification of the owner identified on the “Name” line.

Other entities. Enter your business name as shown on required federal tax documents on the "Name" line. This name should match the name shown on the charter or other legal document creating the entity. You may enter any business, trade, or DBA name on the "Business name/disregarded entity name" line.

Exempt Payee

If you are exempt from backup withholding, enter your name as described above and check the appropriate box for your status, then check the "Exempt payee" box in the line following the "Business name/disregarded entity name," sign and date the form.

Generally, individuals (including sole proprietors) are not exempt from backup withholding. Corporations are exempt from backup withholding for certain payments, such as interest and dividends.

Note. If you are exempt from backup withholding, you should still complete this form to avoid possible erroneous backup withholding.

The following payees are exempt from backup withholding:

1. An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a), any IRA, or a custodial account under section 403(b)(7) if the account satisfies the requirements of section 401(f)(2),
 2. The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities,
 3. A state, the District of Columbia, a possession of the United States, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities,
 4. A foreign government or any of its political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities, or
 5. An international organization or any of its agencies or instrumentalities.
- Other payees that may be exempt from backup withholding include:
6. A corporation,
 7. A foreign central bank of issue,
 8. A dealer in securities or commodities required to register in the United States, the District of Columbia, or a possession of the United States,
 9. A futures commission merchant registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission,
 10. A real estate investment trust,
 11. An entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940,
 12. A common trust fund operated by a bank under section 584(a),
 13. A financial institution,
 14. A middleman known in the investment community as a nominee or custodian, or
 15. A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947.

The following chart shows types of payments that may be exempt from backup withholding. The chart applies to the exempt payees listed above, 1 through 15.

| IF the payment is for . . . | THEN the payment is exempt for . . . |
|--|---|
| Interest and dividend payments | All exempt payees except for 9 |
| Broker transactions | Exempt payees 1 through 5 and 7 through 13. Also, C corporations. |
| Barter exchange transactions and patronage dividends | Exempt payees 1 through 5 |
| Payments over \$600 required to be reported and direct sales over \$5,000 ¹ | Generally, exempt payees 1 through 7 ² |

¹ See Form 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Income, and its instructions.

² However, the following payments made to a corporation and reportable on Form 1099-MISC are not exempt from backup withholding: medical and health care payments, attorneys' fees, gross proceeds paid to an attorney, and payments for services paid by a federal executive agency.

Part I. Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. If you are a resident alien and you do not have and are not eligible to get an SSN, your TIN is your IRS individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN). Enter it in the social security number box. If you do not have an ITIN, see *How to get a TIN* below.

If you are a sole proprietor and you have an EIN, you may enter either your SSN or EIN. However, the IRS prefers that you use your SSN.

If you are a single-member LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner (see *Limited Liability Company (LLC)* on page 2), enter the owner's SSN (or EIN, if the owner has one). Do not enter the disregarded entity's EIN. If the LLC is classified as a corporation or partnership, enter the entity's EIN.

Note. See the chart on page 4 for further clarification of name and TIN combinations.

How to get a TIN. If you do not have a TIN, apply for one immediately. To apply for an SSN, get Form SS-5, Application for a Social Security Card, from your local Social Security Administration office or get this form online at www.ssa.gov. You may also get this form by calling 1-800-772-1213. Use Form W-7, Application for IRS Individual Taxpayer Identification Number, to apply for an ITIN, or Form SS-4, Application for Employer Identification Number, to apply for an EIN. You can apply for an EIN online by accessing the IRS website at www.irs.gov/businesses and clicking on Employer Identification Number (EIN) under Starting a Business. You can get Forms W-7 and SS-4 from the IRS by visiting IRS.gov or by calling 1-800-TAX-FORM (1-800-829-3676).

If you are asked to complete Form W-9 but do not have a TIN, write "Applied For" in the space for the TIN, sign and date the form, and give it to the requester. For interest and dividend payments, and certain payments made with respect to readily tradable instruments, generally you will have 60 days to get a TIN and give it to the requester before you are subject to backup withholding on payments. The 60-day rule does not apply to other types of payments. You will be subject to backup withholding on all such payments until you provide your TIN to the requester.

Note. Entering "Applied For" means that you have already applied for a TIN or that you intend to apply for one soon.

Caution: A disregarded domestic entity that has a foreign owner must use the appropriate Form W-8.

Part II. Certification

To establish to the withholding agent that you are a U.S. person, or resident alien, sign Form W-9. You may be requested to sign by the withholding agent even if item 1, below, and items 4 and 5 on page 4 indicate otherwise.

For a joint account, only the person whose TIN is shown in Part I should sign (when required). In the case of a disregarded entity, the person identified on the "Name" line must sign. Exempt payees, see *Exempt Payee* on page 3.

Signature requirements. Complete the certification as indicated in items 1 through 3, below, and items 4 and 5 on page 4.

1. Interest, dividend, and barter exchange accounts opened before 1984 and broker accounts considered active during 1983. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

2. Interest, dividend, broker, and barter exchange accounts opened after 1983 and broker accounts considered inactive during 1983. You must sign the certification or backup withholding will apply. If you are subject to backup withholding and you are merely providing your correct TIN to the requester, you must cross out item 2 in the certification before signing the form.

3. Real estate transactions. You must sign the certification. You may cross out item 2 of the certification.

4. Other payments. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification unless you have been notified that you have previously given an incorrect TIN. "Other payments" include payments made in the course of the requester's trade or business for rents, royalties, goods (other than bills for merchandise), medical and health care services (including payments to corporations), payments to a nonemployee for services, payments to certain fishing boat crew members and fishermen, and gross proceeds paid to attorneys (including payments to corporations).

5. Mortgage interest paid by you, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, qualified tuition program payments (under section 529), IRA, Coverdell ESA, Archer MSA or HSA contributions or distributions, and pension distributions. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

What Name and Number To Give the Requester

| For this type of account: | Give name and SSN of: |
|---|---|
| 1. Individual | The individual |
| 2. Two or more individuals (joint account) | The actual owner of the account or, if combined funds, the first individual on the account ¹ |
| 3. Custodian account of a minor (Uniform Gift to Minors Act) | The minor ² |
| 4. a. The usual revocable savings trust (grantor is also trustee) b. So-called trust account that is not a legal or valid trust under state law | The grantor-trustee ¹ The actual owner ¹ |
| 5. Sole proprietorship or disregarded entity owned by an individual | The owner ³ |
| 6. Grantor trust filing under Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 1 (see Regulation section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(A)) | The grantor* |
| For this type of account: | Give name and EIN of: |
| 7. Disregarded entity not owned by an individual | The owner |
| 8. A valid trust, estate, or pension trust | Legal entity ⁴ |
| 9. Corporation or LLC electing corporate status on Form 8832 or Form 2553 | The corporation |
| 10. Association, club, religious, charitable, educational, or other tax-exempt organization | The organization |
| 11. Partnership or multi-member LLC | The partnership |
| 12. A broker or registered nominee | The broker or nominee |
| 13. Account with the Department of Agriculture in the name of a public entity (such as a state or local government, school district, or prison) that receives agricultural program payments | The public entity |
| 14. Grantor trust filing under the Form 1041 Filing Method or the Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 2 (see Regulation section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(B)) | The trust |

¹ List first and circle the name of the person whose number you furnish. If only one person on a joint account has an SSN, that person's number must be furnished.

² Circle the minor's name and furnish the minor's SSN.

³ You must show your individual name and you may also enter your business or "DBA" name on the "Business name/disregarded entity" name line. You may use either your SSN or EIN (if you have one), but the IRS encourages you to use your SSN.

⁴ List first and circle the name of the trust, estate, or pension trust. (Do not furnish the TIN of the personal representative or trustee unless the legal entity itself is not designated in the account title.) Also see *Special rules for partnerships* on page 1.

*Note. Grantor also must provide a Form W-9 to trustee of trust.

Note. If no name is circled when more than one name is listed, the number will be considered to be that of the first name listed.

Secure Your Tax Records from Identity Theft

Identity theft occurs when someone uses your personal information such as your name, social security number (SSN), or other identifying information, without your permission, to commit fraud or other crimes. An identity thief may use your SSN to get a job or may file a tax return using your SSN to receive a refund.

To reduce your risk:

- Protect your SSN,
- Ensure your employer is protecting your SSN, and
- Be careful when choosing a tax preparer.

If your tax records are affected by identity theft and you receive a notice from the IRS, respond right away to the name and phone number printed on the IRS notice or letter.

If your tax records are not currently affected by identity theft but you think you are at risk due to a lost or stolen purse or wallet, questionable credit card activity or credit report, contact the IRS Identity Theft Hotline at 1-800-908-4490 or submit Form 14039.

For more information, see Publication 4535, Identity Theft Prevention and Victim Assistance.

Victims of identity theft who are experiencing economic harm or a system problem, or are seeking help in resolving tax problems that have not been resolved through normal channels, may be eligible for Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) assistance. You can reach TAS by calling the TAS toll-free case intake line at 1-877-777-4778 or TTY/TDD 1-800-829-4059.

Protect yourself from suspicious emails or phishing schemes.

Phishing is the creation and use of email and websites designed to mimic legitimate business emails and websites. The most common act is sending an email to a user falsely claiming to be an established legitimate enterprise in an attempt to scam the user into surrendering private information that will be used for identity theft.

The IRS does not initiate contacts with taxpayers via emails. Also, the IRS does not request personal detailed information through email or ask taxpayers for the PIN numbers, passwords, or similar secret access information for their credit card, bank, or other financial accounts.

If you receive an unsolicited email claiming to be from the IRS, forward this message to phishing@irs.gov. You may also report misuse of the IRS name, logo, or other IRS property to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration at 1-800-366-4484. You can forward suspicious emails to the Federal Trade Commission at: spam@uce.gov or contact them at www.ftc.gov/idtheft or 1-877-IDTHEFT (1-877-438-4338).

Visit IRS.gov to learn more about identity theft and how to reduce your risk.

Privacy Act Notice

Section 6109 of the Internal Revenue Code requires you to provide your correct TIN to persons (including federal agencies) who are required to file information returns with the IRS to report interest, dividends, or certain other income paid to you; mortgage interest you paid; the acquisition or abandonment of secured property; the cancellation of debt; or contributions you made to an IRA, Archer MSA, or HSA. The person collecting this form uses the information on the form to file information returns with the IRS, reporting the above information. Routine uses of this information include giving it to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation and to cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. possessions for use in administering their laws. The information also may be disclosed to other countries under a treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce civil and criminal laws, or to federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies to combat terrorism. You must provide your TIN whether or not you are required to file a tax return. Under section 3406, payers must generally withhold a percentage of taxable interest, dividend, and certain other payments to a payee who does not give a TIN to the payer. Certain penalties may also apply for providing false or fraudulent information.

AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER PROGRAM

CCRI'S CENTER FOR WORKFORCE & COMMUNITY EDUCATION IS RECRUITING FOR EXPERIENCED TRAINING PROFESSIONALS AND/OR ORGANIZATIONS TO BE AVAILABLE ON AN AS- NEEDED BASIS TO PROVIDE TRAINING IN THE AREA OF AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDERS. TRAINING SESSIONS CAN BE ANYWHERE FROM 3 TO 75 HOURS OVER THE COURSE OF A YEAR. CANDIDATES MAY BE PAID PER HOUR, PER DIEM, OR PER PROJECT BASED ON THE NATURE OF THE CONTRACT RESPONSIBILITIES COULD INCLUDE DEVELOPMENT AND DELIVERY OF PROGRAMS IN THE AUTISM SPECTRUM DIS- ORDERS ARENA SUCH AS BUT NOT LIMITED TO:STRUCTURED TEACHING, COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS, SENSORY PROCESS- ING, FUNCTIONAL ASSESSMENT & POSITIVE BEHAVIOR SUPPORTS, COGNITIVE STRATEGIES & RELATIONSHIP- BASED APPROACHES. TRAINING CAN TAKE PLACE DURING WEEKDAYS, EVENINGS, OR OCCASIONALLY WEEKENDS.

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BLANKET REQUIREMENTS: 9/1/14 – 6/30/15

| ITEM NO. | DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE | RATE | YEAR 1 | YEAR 2 (Renewal Option) | YEAR 3 (Renewal Option) | YEAR 4 (Renewal Option) | YEAR 5 (Renewal Option) | AVAILABILITY | TIME |
|----------|------------------------|--------------|--------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|------|
| 1. | | Per Hour: | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | Weekdays | |
| | | Per Project: | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | Evenings | |
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| | | Per Project: | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | Evenings | |
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| | | Per Project: | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | Evenings | |
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NOTE:
ALL RATES ARE TO BE INCLUSIVE OF TRAVEL CHARGES.

VENDOR/COMPANY'S NAME: _____
CONTACT PERSON: _____
CONTACT PHONE NO. & EMAIL ADDRESS: _____
SIGNATURE: _____
DATE: _____