



**Solicitation Information
January 30, 2013**

Addendum #1

RFP # 7459227

TITLE: ARRA - Develop and Support Effective Early Childhood Assessment

Submission Deadline: February 6, 2013 at 10:00 AM (EST)

ATTACHED ARE VENDOR QUESTIONS WITH STATE RESPONSES.

NO FURTHER QUESTIONS WILL BE ANSWERED.

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RI Request for Proposals (RFP #7459227)

Questions

The solicitation states on page 6 that “the total administrative costs may not exceed 10% of the total grant and applicants are encouraged to submit proposals which reflect competitive administrative rates.” Will the department consider a proposal if we used our organization’s Negotiated Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (NICRA) that has been issued by our federal cognizant agency? We are prepared to send an official copy of our NICRA federal rate agreement along with the proposal to the State.

The State will consider a proposal with indirect costs above 10%, if the proposal is submitted with a copy of the approved rate.

Does the State have modules for Task # 3 complete? Does the successful bidder develop all the modules or are there existing modules available to carry out the training?

The State does not have modules completed for Task #3. The successful bidder will be responsible for developing all modules in collaboration with RIDE staff (See Task #1).

The meeting with State leaders is on 2/28/13 and the implementation phase begins on 3/01/13. By “implement” do you mean conduct training the day after the State meeting?

The timeline for deliverables for the first three tasks will be modified during contract negotiations with the successful bidder.

The RFP states that the contract will begin upon issuance of the State purchase order (estimated March 2013) (page 6). We assume this will modify the projected schedule for deliverables. Is that a correct assumption?

Yes. The timeline for deliverables for the first three tasks will be modified during contract negotiations with the successful bidder.