

**DETERMINATION AND FINDINGS
FOR A
SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT**

PROGRAM AGENCY: Department on Disability Services (DDS)

CONTRACT NO: DCJM-2017-RQ933616

CAPTION: Psychiatric Consulting Services

PROPOSED CONTRACTOR: Ronald J. Koshes, M.D.

FINDINGS

1. AUTHORIZATION:

D.C. Official Code §2-354.04, 27 DCMR 1304,1700 and 1701

2. MINIMUM NEED:

The Department on Disability Services Development Disabilities Administration (DDs/DDA) requires the immediate services of a Board Certified Psychiatrist with a minimum of five years of experience providing community-based services to individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

The Contractor shall have experience working in the context of a class action lawsuit, be familiar with the issues surrounding more than 35-year old case of Evans v. Bowser, and shall have credibility with and be acceptable to the plaintiffs, Court Monitor, Independent Compliance Administrator and other Evans stakeholders.

The contractor shall provide clinical consultation to DDA on the treatment of specific individuals, be immediately available to conduct psychiatric medication reviews, participate as a member of the DDA Restrictive Control Review Committee (DDA-RCRC), and provide selected training and other technical assistance at the request of DDA for a one year period.

3. ESTIMATED REASONABLE PRICE:

The estimated annual price is \$ 93,750.00 based upon 300 hours at the contractor's established hourly rate of \$312.50 for professional services. The rate includes preparation, travel time, all indirect costs and fees, and is deemed fair and reasonable by the District, considering the unique qualifications of Ronald J. Koshes (Dr. Koshes) .

4. FACTS THAT JUSTIFY SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT:

Dr. Koshes) is a Diplomat of the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology and Distinguished Fellow of the American Psychiatric Association, certified as having advanced training and experience in the practice of Psychiatry followed by passing an intensive examination by a national board of senior specialists.

Dr. Koshes has over 20 years of experience providing community-based services to individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities, is experienced working in the context of a class action lawsuit, and is familiar with the issues surrounding the case of

Evans v. Bowser, which is nearing conclusion. For the past six years, Dr. Koshes has been a key consultant to the District of Columbia Health Care Resources Partnership under the Georgetown University Center for Child and Human Development. He therefore has the credibility and is acceptable to plaintiffs, Court Monitor, Independent Compliance Administrator and other Evans stakeholders.

Dr. Koshes has provided clinical consultation to DDA on the treatment of specific individuals, conducted psychiatric medication reviews, participated as a member of the DDA restrictive control review committee, and provided selected training and other technical assistance at the request of DDA.

5. MARKET SURVEY:

Based upon limited number of clinical consultation services among Board Certified Psychiatrist that exist who meet the requirements of a minimum of five years of experience providing community-based services to individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and have experience and background in the thirty-five (35) Evans vs. Browser class action suit, and the program need for continuity of services, a market survey was not conducted.

6. CERTIFICATION BY AGENCY HEAD:

I hereby certify that the above findings are true, correct and complete.

Date

Director, Andrew Reese

7. CERTIFICATION BY CONTRACT SPECIALIST

I hereby certify that the above findings are true and correct to the best of my knowledge. Further, I certify that the notice on intent to award a sole source contract was published in accordance with 27 DCMR 1304 and that no response was received.

Date

Nicole Starwood
Contract Specialist

DETERMINATION

Based on the above findings and in accordance with the cited authority, I hereby determine that it is not feasible or practical to invoke the competitive bidding process under either Section 402 or 403 of the District of Columbia Procurement Practice Reform Act of 2010 (D.C. Law 18-371; D.C. Official Code §2-354.02 or 2-354.03). Accordingly, I determine that the District is justified in using the Sole Source method of procurement.

Date

Marsha Robinson
Contracting Officer