

**ATTACHMENT A-1**  
**PROGRAM SPECIFIC TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR ALL**  
**NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES (OCFS)**  
**CONTRACTS**

(02-2015)

**A) AGENCY SPECIFIC TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

**1. PERSONNEL**

- a. It is the policy of OCFS to encourage the employment of qualified applicants for, or recipients of, public assistance by both public organizations and private enterprises who are under contractual agreement to OCFS for the provision of goods and services. Contractor will be expected to make best efforts in this area.
- b. The Contractor agrees to identify, in writing, the person(s) who will be responsible for directing the work to be done under this CONTRACT. No change or substitution of such responsible person(s) will be made without prior approval in writing from OCFS, to the degree that such change or substitution is within the reasonable control of the Contractor.

**2. GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

- a. The Contractor agrees to comply in all respects with the provisions of this CONTRACT and the attachments thereto. The Contractor specifically agrees to perform services according to the objectives, tasks, work plan and staffing plan contained in the ATTACHMENTS. Any modifications to the tasks or workplan contained in Attachment D must be mutually agreed to by both parties in writing before the additional or modified tasks or workplan shall commence.
- b. In providing these services, the Contractor hereby agrees to be responsible for designing and operating these services, and otherwise performing, so as to maximize Federal financial participation to OCFS under the Federal Social Security Act, where applicable.
- c. If funds from this CONTRACT will be used to pay any costs associated with the provision of legal services of any sort, the following shall apply:
  - Opinions prepared by consultant law firms construing the statutes or Constitution of the State of New York do not constitute the view of the State unless the prior written approval of the Attorney General is obtained. Requests for said approval shall be submitted to the Solicitor General, Division of the Appeals and Opinions Bureau, Department of Law, The Capitol, Albany, New York 12224.
  - The Contractor shall provide to OCFS in a format provided by OCFS such additional information concerning the provision of legal services as OCFS shall require.
- d. OCFS will designate a Contract Manager who shall have authority relating to the technical services and operational functions of this CONTRACT and activities completed or contemplated thereunder. The Contract Manager and those individuals designated by him/her in writing shall have the prerogative to make announced or unannounced on-site visits to the project. Project reports and issues of interpretation or direction relating to this CONTRACT shall be directed to the Contract Manager.
- e. If additional funds become available for the same purpose as described in the original procurement, OCFS reserves the right to modify the CONTRACT to provide additional funding to the Contractor for provision of additional mutually agreed upon services and/or to extend the provision of services under the CONTRACT. This additional funding can be provided within an existing period, or in conjunction with a change in the original term. Any changes in the amount or changes in period and amount are subject to the approval of OCFS and the Office of the State Comptroller (OSC).
- f. All organizations that receive Federal and/or New York State financial assistance under social service programs are prohibited from discriminating against beneficiaries or prospective beneficiaries of the social service programs on the basis of religion or religious belief. Accordingly, organizations, in providing services supported in whole or in part with Federal and/or New York State financial assistance, and in their outreach activities related to such services, are not allowed to discriminate against current or prospective program

beneficiaries on the basis of religion, a religious belief, a refusal to hold a religious belief, or a refusal to attend or participate in a religious practice.

Organizations that engage in explicitly religious activities (including activities that involve overt religious content such as worship, religious instruction, or proselytization) must perform such activities and offer such services outside of programs that are supported with direct Federal and/or New York State financial assistance (including through prime awards or sub-awards), separately in time or location from any such programs or services supported with direct Federal and/or New York State financial assistance, and participation in any such explicitly religious activities must be voluntary for the beneficiaries of the social service program supported with such Federal and/or New York State financial assistance.

- g. The Contractor ensures that the grounds, structures, buildings and furnishings at the program site(s) used under this CONTRACT are maintained in good repair and free from any danger to health or safety and that any building or structure used for program services complies with all applicable zoning, building, health, sanitary, and fire codes.

### **3. CONFIDENTIALITY AND PROTECTION OF HUMAN SUBJECTS**

- a. The Contractor agrees to safeguard the confidentiality of financial and client information relating to individuals and their families who may receive services in the course of this project. The Contractor shall maintain the confidentiality of all such financial and client information with regard to services provided under this CONTRACT in conformity with the provisions of applicable State and Federal laws and regulations. Any breach of confidentiality by the Contractor, its agents or representatives shall be cause for immediate termination of this CONTRACT.
- b. Any contractor who will provide goods and/or services to a residential facility or program operated by OCFS agrees to require all of its employees and volunteers who will have the potential for regular and substantial contact with youth in the care or custody of OCFS to sign the Confidentiality Non-Disclosure Agreement and Contractor Employee and Volunteer Background Certification before any such employees and volunteers are permitted access to youth in the care or custody of OCFS and/or any financial and/or client identifiable information concerning such youth. Additionally, OCFS will require a database check of the Statewide Central Register of Child Abuse and Maltreatment (SCR) and, at the discretion of OCFS, of the Vulnerable Persons Central Register (VPCR) of each employee and volunteer of the contractor who has the potential for regular and substantial contact with children in the care or custody of OCFS. Any other contractor whose employees and volunteers will have access to financial and/or client identifiable information concerning youth in the care or custody of OCFS agrees to require all such employees and volunteers to sign the Confidentiality Non-Disclosure Agreement before any such employees and volunteers are permitted access to any financial and/or client identifiable information concerning such youth.

### **4. PUBLICATIONS AND COPYRIGHTS**

- a. OCFS and the State of New York expressly reserve the right to a royalty-free, non-exclusive and irrevocable license to reproduce, publish, distribute or otherwise use, in perpetuity, any and all copyrighted or copyrightable material resulting from this CONTRACT or activity supported by this CONTRACT. All publications by the Contractor covered by this CONTRACT shall expressly acknowledge OCFS's right to such license.
- b. All of the license rights so reserved to OCFS and the State of New York under this paragraph are equally reserved to the United States Department of Health and Human Services and subject to the provisions on copyrights contained in 45 CFR 92 if the CONTRACT is federally funded.
- c. The Contractor agrees that at the completion of any scientific or statistical study, report or analysis prepared pursuant to this CONTRACT, it will provide to OCFS at no additional cost a copy of any and all data supporting the scientific or statistical study, report or analysis, together with the name(s) and business address(es) of the principal(s) producing the scientific or statistical study, report or analysis. The Contractor agrees and acknowledges the right of OCFS, subject to applicable confidentiality restrictions, to release the name(s) and business address(es) of the principal(s) producing the scientific or statistical study, report or analysis, together with a copy of the scientific or statistical study, report or analysis and all data supporting the scientific or statistical study, report or analysis.

### **5. PATENTS AND INVENTIONS**

The Contractor agrees that any and all inventions, conceived or first actually reduced to practice in the course of, or under this CONTRACT, or with monies supplied pursuant to this CONTRACT, shall be promptly and fully reported to OCFS. Determination as to ownership and/or disposition of rights to such inventions, including

whether a patent application shall be filed, and if so, the manner of obtaining, administering and disposing of rights under any patent application or patent which may be issued, shall be made pursuant to all applicable law and regulations.

## **6. TERMINATION**

To the extent permitted by law, this CONTRACT shall be deemed in the sole discretion of OCFS terminated immediately upon the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or insolvency, by or against the Contractor. Such termination shall be immediate and complete, without termination costs or further obligation by OCFS to the Contractor.

## **7. FISCAL SANCTION**

In accordance with the OCFS Fiscal Sanction policy, Contractors may be placed on fiscal sanction when OCFS identifies any of the following issues:

- The Contractor has received an Advance, overpayment or other funds under this or another CONTRACT that has not been refunded to OCFS within the established timeframe;
- An OCFS, OSC, or other audit identifies significant fiscal irregularities and/or that funds are due to OCFS;
- The Contractor has not provided satisfactory services as required under the terms of this CONTRACT;
- The Contractor has not provided fiscal or program reports as required under the terms of this CONTRACT;
- A local, State or federal prosecutorial or investigative agency identifies possible criminal activity, or significant fiscal or programmatic irregularities on the part of the Contractor;
- The Contractor is not in compliance with State or federal statutes or regulations, or applicable OCFS guidelines, policies and/or procedures; or
- Unsafe physical conditions exist at a program site operated by the Contractor and funded under this CONTRACT with OCFS.

Once the Contractor has been placed on Fiscal Sanction, payments on all open contracts and any new awards, amendments or CONTRACT renewals will not be processed until the issues have been satisfactorily resolved. The Contractor will be notified in advance of any proposed Fiscal Sanction and will be provided a timeframe within which the issues must be resolved in order to avoid a Fiscal Sanction. Issues that are not resolved within the timeframe established by OCFS may be referred to the Attorney General (AG) for collection or legal action. If a CONTRACT is referred to the AG a collection fee will be added to the amount owed. In addition, interest will be due on any amount not paid in accordance with the timeframes established by the AG. The contractor will remain on Fiscal Sanction until the amount owed, including any collection fee and interest, is paid.

## **8. REFUNDS**

In the event that the contractor must make a refund to the Office for contract related activities (repayment of an advance, an audit disallowance, or for any other reason), payment must be made in the form of a check or money order payable to "New York State Office of Children and Family Services". The contractor must include with the payment a brief explanation of why the refund is being made and reference the contract number. Refund payments must be submitted to:

New York State Office of Children and Family Services  
Attention: Contract Cash Receipts  
Bureau of Contract Management  
Capital View Office Park  
52 Washington Street, South Building, Room 202  
Rensselaer, New York 12144

## **9. PROCUREMENT LOBBYING LAW**

The Contractor will comply with all New York State and OCFS procedures relative to the permissible contacts and disclosure of contacts as required by State Finance Law Sections 139-j and 139-k and OCFS procedures and will affirmatively certify that all information provided pursuant to those provisions is complete, true and accurate. This certification is included in the Offerer's Certification and Affirmation of Understanding and CONTRACT pursuant to State Finance Law Sections 139-j and 139-k.

OCFS reserves the right to terminate this CONTRACT if the Offerer's Certification filed by the Contractor in accordance with the New York State Finance Law Section 139-k was intentionally false or intentionally

incomplete. Upon such a determination by the OCFS, OCFS may exercise its termination right by providing written notification to the Contractor in accordance with the written notification terms of this CONTRACT. Nothing herein shall preclude or otherwise limit OCFS's right to terminate this contact as otherwise set forth in the applicable provisions of this CONTRACT.

#### **10. REQUIRED REPORTS – CONTRACTS FOR CONSULTING SERVICES**

If consulting services (including services for analysis, evaluation, research, training, data processing, computer programming, engineering, environmental, health, and mental health services, accounting, auditing, paralegal, legal, or similar services) are provided, the Contractor must submit on or before May 15<sup>th</sup> of each year for the annual period ending March 31<sup>st</sup>, [Form OCFS-4843, State Consultant Services – Contractor's Annual Employment Record](#). This form must report information for all employees who provided services under the CONTRACT whether employed by the Contractor or a subcontractor. This form will be available for public inspection and copying under the Freedom of Information Law with any individual employee names and social security numbers redacted.

Contractors can obtain this form from their Contract Manager or through the Internet at the following site: <http://www.ocfs.state.ny.us/main/Forms/Contracts/OCFS-4843%20State%20Consultant%20Services-Contractors%20Annual%20Employment%20Record.doc>

The Contractor must submit a completed [Form OCFS-4843, State Consultant Services – Contractor's Annual Employment Record](#) to each of the following addresses:

New York State Office of Children and Family Services  
Bureau of Contract Management  
52 Washington Street, South Building, Room 202  
Rensselaer, New York 12144

New York State Office of the State Comptroller  
Bureau of Contracts  
110 State Street, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Albany, New York 12236  
Attn: Consultant Reporting

New York State Department of Civil Service  
Alfred E. Smith Office Building  
8<sup>th</sup> Floor Counsel's Office  
Albany, New York 12239

#### **11. IRAN DIVESTMENT ACT**

By entering into this CONTRACT, Contractor certifies that it is not on the "Entities Determined To Be Non-Responsive Bidders/Offerers Pursuant to The New York State Iran Divestment Act of 2012" list ("Prohibited Entities List") posted on the OGS website at: <http://www.ogs.ny.gov/about/regs/docs/ListofEntities.pdf> and further certifies that it will not utilize on such CONTRACT any subcontractor that is identified on the Prohibited Entities List. Contractor agrees that should it seek to renew or extend this CONTRACT, it must provide the same certification at the time the CONTRACT is renewed or extended. Contractor also agrees that any proposed Assignee of the CONTRACT will be required to certify that it is not on the Prohibited Entities List before OCFS may approve a request for Assignment of CONTRACT.

During the term of the CONTRACT, should OCFS receive information that a person (as defined in State Finance Law §165-a) is in violation of the above-referenced certifications, OCFS will review such information and offer the person an opportunity to respond. If the person fails to demonstrate that it has ceased its engagement in the investment activity which is in violation of the Act within 90 days after the determination of such violation, then OCFS shall take such action as may be appropriate and provided for by law, rule, or CONTRACT, including, but not limited to, seeking compliance, recovering damages, or declaring the Contractor in default.

OCFS reserves the right to reject any request for renewal, extension, or assignment for an entity that appears on the Prohibited Entities List prior to the renewal, extension, or assignment of the CONTRACT, and to pursue a responsibility review with Contractor should it appear on the Prohibited Entities List hereafter.

#### **12. ADDITIONAL ASSURANCES**

- a. Expectation of Insured: The Contractor, if a municipal corporation, represents that it is a self-insured entity. If a not-for-profit corporation or entity other than a self-insured municipal corporation, the Contractor agrees to obtain and maintain in effect a general policy of liability insurance in an appropriate amount. The Contractor

agrees that it will require any and all Subcontractors with whom it subcontracts pursuant to this CONTRACT to obtain and maintain a general policy of liability insurance in an appropriate amount.

- b. Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 14 of this CONTRACT, to the extent the contractor provides health care and treatment or professional consultation to residents of facilities operated by OCFS, in conformance with Executive Law §522 the provisions of paragraphs A, B and C of Article 14 (Article 14 A., B. and C.) shall not apply. In such cases, the provisions of Public Officers Law §17, to the extent provided by Executive Law §522, shall apply instead.

### **13. EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 38**

Executive Order Number 38 sets Limits on State-Funded Administrative Costs & Executive Compensation. Contracts, payment requests and reporting must comply with the regulations promulgated pursuant to this Executive Order. The Order can be found at the following website address:

<https://www.governor.ny.gov/executiveorder/38>

### **14. MINORITY AND WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS (M/WBE)**

Pursuant to New York State Executive Law Article 15-A, OCFS recognizes its obligation under the law to promote opportunities for maximum feasible participation of certified Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprises (M/WBE) and Equal Employment Opportunities (EEO) for minority group members and women in the performance of OCFS contracts. Accordingly, information regarding OCFS' target goals for M/WBE participation in contracting activities as well as guidelines for Prime Contractor responsibilities pursuant to this law are outlined in [M/WBE Appendix](#) entitled "Participation by Minority Group Members and Women with Respect to State Contracts: Requirements and Procedures". Included in this document are links to the forms and instructions required as a part of this program.

### **15. OUTSIDE COUNSEL**

Opinions prepared by consultant law firms construing the statutes or Constitution of the State of New York do not constitute the view of the State unless the prior written approval of the Attorney General is obtained. Requests for said approval shall be submitted to the Solicitor General, Division of the Appeals and Opinions Bureau, Department of Law, and Contract Approval Unit, Civil Recoveries Bureau, NYS Department of Law, The Capitol, Albany, NY 12224.

### **16. BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMPOSITION**

The number of directors constituting the entire Board must not be less than three. The Office of Children and Family Services advises a manageable number of members of the Board of Directors to promote maximum working effectiveness. Of this number, the Office of Children and Family Services recommends that the Board include individuals with experience in, or access to expertise in, legal matters, financial management, real estate knowledge, administrative capability and "consumer" representation.