

District School Board of Pasco County

Bid Recommendation

RFP Title	Behavioral Benefits (MHSA) Services and Employee Assistance Plan (EAP) Services		Number of Vendors Notified	69
RFP Number	09-006-AZ		Number of Proposals Distributed	17
Date Solicited	August 7, 2008		Number of Vendors Proposing	4
Date Opened	September 10, 2008		Number of Formal "No Bid" Responses	2
Date Board Presentation	November 4, 2008		Funding Source	General Insurance Funds
Cost Impact to Board	N/A		Grand Total of Proposal	<u>REJECT</u>

Recommendation: Recommend rejection of all proposals received, as no proposal received met all District requirements on the scoring criteria of price, structure of network, coverage, service, and reporting. After extensive review by the Evaluation Committee, it has been determined by the Insurance Committee that none of the proposals as currently structured is in the best interest of the District. We request permission to reject the proposals and negotiate with all responsible proposers. The results of the negotiation, including final cost and terms, will be brought back to the Board for final approval.

Term of Contract: This RFP is a five-year contract, renewable annually at the mutual consent of the parties. The first year term will be January 1, 2009 – December 31, 2009.

Notations and Exceptions: The RFP response from MHNet Behavioral Health was disqualified at the proposal opening for failure to properly execute the mandatory acknowledgements of the RFP addenda. The responsible firms were asked to submit clarifications to their documentation, both in writing and in phone calls with each company. The clarified RFP responses were independently scored by members of the Evaluation Committee noted below, with all scores being totaled and averaged. Interviews with all firms were conducted on September 30, 2008.

As noted above, we will negotiate with all responsible proposers, with the results of the negotiation, including final cost and terms, being brought back to the Board for final approval.

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