

<b>AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION/MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT</b>				1. Contract Number	Page of Pages	
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2. Amendment/Modification Number A001	3. Effective Date July 17, 2015	4. Requisition No.	5. Solicitation Caption Dedicated Paraprofessionals			
6. Issued by: District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS) Office of Contracts and Acquisitions 1200 First Street, N.E., 11 <sup>th</sup> floor, Washington, D.C. 20002			7. Administered by (If other than line 6)			
8. Name and Address of Contractor (No. street, city, county, state and zip code)			X	9A. Amendment of Solicitation No. GAGA-2015-R-0034		
				9B. Dated (See Item 11) July 6, 2015		
			10A. Modification of Contract/Order No.			
			10B. Dated (See Item 13)			
<b>11. THIS ITEM ONLY APPLIES TO AMENDMENTS OF SOLICITATIONS</b>						
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The above numbered solicitation is amended as set forth in item 14. The hour and date specified for receipt of Offers <input type="checkbox"/> is extended. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is not extended. Offerors must acknowledge receipt of this amendment prior to the hour and date specified in the solicitation or as amended, by one of the following methods: (a) By completing Items 8 and 15, and returning _____ copies of the amendment; (b) <b>BY ACKNOWLEDGING RECEIPT OF THIS AMENDMENT ON EACH COPY OF THE OFFER SUBMITTED</b> ; or (c) BY separate letter or fax which includes a reference to the solicitation and amendment number. FAILURE OF YOUR ACKNOWLEDGMENT TO BE RECEIVED AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED FOR THE RECEIPT OF OFFERS PRIOR TO THE HOUR AND DATE SPECIFIED MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR OFFER. If by virtue of this amendment you desire to change an offer already submitted, such may be made by letter or fax, provided each letter or telegram makes reference to the solicitation and this amendment, and is received prior to the opening hour and date specified.						
12. Accounting and Appropriation Data (If Required)						
<b>13. THIS ITEM APPLIES ONLY TO MODIFICATIONS OF CONTRACTORS/ORDERS , IT MODIFIES THE CONTRACT/ORDER NO. AS DESCRIBED IN ITEM 14</b>						
A. This change order is issued pursuant to (Specify Authority): THE CHANGES CLAUSE, The changes set forth in Item 14 are made in the contract/order no. in item 10A.						
B. The above numbered contract/order is modified to reflect the administrative changes (such as changes in paying office, appropriation data etc.) set forth in item 14, pursuant to the authority of 27 DCMR, Chapter 36, Section 3601.2.						
C. This supplemental agreement is entered into pursuant to authority of:						
D. Other (Specify type of modification and authority)						
<b>E. IMPORTANT:</b> Contractor <input type="checkbox"/> is not <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is required to sign this document and return _____ copy to the issuing office.						
14. Description of Amendment/Modification (Organized by UCF Section headings, including solicitation/contract subject matter where feasible.) Request for Proposal No. GAGA-2015-R-0034 for Dedicated paraprofessionals is hereby amended as follows: A. Offerors shall submit the entire proposals in an electronic format (USB flash drive) plus One (1) original and four (4) hard copies in a sealed envelope clearly marked: "Proposal in Response to RFP Number GAGA-2015-R-0034 Dedicated Paraprofessionals" B. Add Attachment J.13 Bidder/Offeror Certification to Section J: List of Attachments C. DCPS responses to prospective offerors' questions are set forth on the following pages 2 through 3.						
Except as provided herein, all terms and conditions of the document is referenced in Item 9A or 10A remain unchanged and in full force and effect.						
15A. Name and Title of Signer (Type or print)			16A. Name of Contracting Officer Glorious Bazemore			
15B. Name of Contractor  (Signature of person authorized to sign)	15C. Date Signed	16B. District of Columbia		16C. Date Signed  (Signature of Contracting Officer)		

**Questions (Q) and Answers (A):**

<p>Q 1.</p> <p>A 1.</p>	<p><b>Page 11 – Background Checks (Fingerprint and Drug Testing)</b> <b>Can you confirm that DCPS will be providing both components of the background check required? Will vendor/ contractor be responsible for the cost or will DCPS incur the cost for both components? If vendor assumed, what is the current fingerprinting cost performed by DCPS for contractors?</b></p> <p>DCPS shall conduct the background check and fingerprinting upon contract award at no cost to the contractor.</p> <p>The contractor shall conduct the drug testing at his/her own expense.</p>
<p>Q 2.</p> <p>A 2.</p>	<p><b>Page 11 – bullet 12, Ensure all paraprofessionals attend DCPS required trainings. Can you specify whether the trainings are billable by vendor, how long they are and what information it covers?</b></p> <p>Yes, the trainings are billable by the vendor during the school year. Attendance of any training during the summer months is not billable. Training sessions cover areas such as De-escalation, Universal Design for Learning, Safety Care 1 and 2, Data Collection, Identifying Corporal Punishment, Assistive Technology, specific reading interventions, (i.e., Spell Read, Failure Free, Read 180, Edmark, System 44).</p> <p>Overall Paraprofessionals are able to attend any training that is open to all Special Education staff. The duration of each training session is usually between an hour to an hour and half.</p>
<p>Q 3.</p> <p>A 3.</p>	<p><b>Please confirm that the minimum level of medical paraprofessional is Licensed Practical Nurse I for purposes of wage determinations under SCA?</b></p> <p>Yes, the minimum level of medical paraprofessional (nurse) is a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) but they must be supervised by a Registered Nurse (RN).</p>
<p>Q 4.</p> <p>A 4.</p>	<p><b>How many aides is the existing incumbent currently providing, if possible broken down by instructional, behavioral and medical? What was the spend on the incumbent for the 2012-13, 2014-15 SY? What is their bill rate?</b></p> <p>The incumbent provided support for 103 Dedicated paraprofessionals, 18 Instructional Paraprofessionals, 18 Medical paraprofessionals (nurses).</p> <p>DCPS is seeking competitive billable rates from this solicitation.</p>
<p>Q 5.</p> <p>A 5.</p>	<p><b>What is a Dedicated Medical Paraprofessional? You have nurse in parenthesis - is this a CNA position because there is a difference in pricing? P. 6. Section C 1.</b></p> <p>A dedicated Medical Paraprofessional is a Nurse. No, this is not a CNA position. The minimum level of medical paraprofessional (nurse) is a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) but a Registered Nurse (RN) must supervise them.</p>
<p>Q 6.</p> <p>A 6.</p>	<p><b>Is the certification in crisis prevention intervention and passive physical restraint the same as Safety Care certification? Also, is physical restraint allowed and to what degree? P. 6 Section C 3.</b></p> <p>Yes, Safety Care is DCPS’s choice for crisis intervention and physical management as well as verbal de-escalation. Any type of Physical restraint should follow the Safety Care guidelines and protocol. DCPS follows the D.C. Municipal Regulations Guidelines for restraint and seclusion.</p>

<p><b>Q 7.</b></p> <p>A 7.</p>	<p><b>Section C 2.2 states that paraprofessionals are to work no more than 7.5 hours per day with their assigned students according to a schedule authorized by the school principal, what happens if the bus is late picking up the students? Also, what happens with a nurse in the case of a late bus?</b></p> <p>If the bus is late for students with dedicated aide then a DCPS staff member will provide the support for the student until the bus arrives. In the case of a student with a dedicated nurse the assigned dedicated nurse shall remain with the student.</p>
<p><b>Q 8.</b></p> <p>A 8.</p>	<p><b>Will DCPS provide drug testing? P. 11 Section C 5.1</b></p> <p>See Answer 1 for Question 1</p>
<p><b>Q 9.</b></p> <p>A 9.</p>	<p><b>Section C 7 on p. 14 references an imposed penalty if a replacement is not found within 1 day – How does this penalty work and how is this imposed penalty lining up with the appropriate pairing of student with appropriate paraprofessional?</b></p> <p>The contractor will be notified of the need for student support and will be expected to provide a replacement aide within one day of the request when the current assigned aide has resigned or is removed from a student for any other reason. If an aide is not provided the contractor’s daily rate will be deducted until the support is in place.</p> <p>The contractor will be notified of the need for student support and will be expected to provide a substitute instructional, behavioral and medical paraprofessional (nurse) aide within two hours of DCPS request when the current assigned aide notified DCPS staff that they will not be reporting to duty on that day.</p>
<p><b>Q 10.</b></p> <p>A 10.</p>	<p><b>What is the base year period of the contract? Is it based on Fiscal, Calendar or school year?</b></p> <p>The base year shall begin on the date the contract is executed by the Contracting Officer and continue through one year thereafter.</p>
<p><b>Q 11.</b></p> <p>A 11.</p>	<p><b>Does a submitting agency have to be a licensed nursing agency with the department of health to provide the medical paraprofessional services?</b></p> <p>No, the agency does not have to be a licensed nursing agency with the department of health to provide the medical paraprofessional services.</p>