

State of Ohio
Department of Mental Health
and Addiction Services

REQUEST FOR BID

POSTING Type
MBE Set-Aside Opportunity ONLY



The original signed document must be submitted to receive consideration for award.		BIDDER NAME	
PROPOSAL NUMBER: MHA17006		STREET ADDRESS <input type="checkbox"/> Check if remit address is different and list on separate sheet	
PROPOSAL DATE: 09/29/2016		CITY STATE ZIP	
PROPOSAL DUE: 10/05/2016 by 2:00p.m.		COUNTY	MBE/EDGE CERTIFICATE NUMBER
Attn: Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services		TELEPHONE NO.	TOLL FREE NO.
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		CONTACT PERSON	FAX NO.
REQ./INDEX NO.	NOTICE DATE	CONTRACTOR'S E-MAIL ADDRESS	
SELECT YOUR PREFERRED METHOD OF RECEIVING PURCHASE ORDERS AND ENTER THE E-MAIL OR FAX NUMBER INFORMATION (ONLY SELECT ONE METHOD)			
<input type="checkbox"/> E-Mail <input type="checkbox"/> Fax			
In addition to the standard terms for payment, the payment terms for state agency(ies) will be 2%,10 Days, Net 30 Days unless otherwise stated in the following space. If no discount is offered, bidder should provide terms ____ Days.			
BILL TO: OH Dept. of MH & Addiction Svcs Heartland Behavioral Healthcare: 3000 Erie St. S., Massillon, Oh 44646		SHIP TO: OH Dept. of MH & Addiction Svcs Heartland Behavioral Healthcare: 3000 Erie St. S, Massillon, Oh 44646	
DELIVERY REQUESTED		DELIVERY OFFERED (IF DIFFERENT)	
F.O.B./DEST. P.P.D. _____		F.O.B./DEST. P.P.D. _____	

MBE SET ASIDE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ORC 125.081

OhioMHAS competitive opportunity proposals are posted five (5) business days in an Ohio Certified "MBE" Sheltered Market, if no qualified proposals are received by the 2pm deadline, the Sheltered Market opportunity will be closed and the competitive opportunity proposal will be reposted for seven (7) business days in an Open Market.

THIS REQUEST IS FOR:

Paid Extern

TIME OF PERFORMANCE: This contract will become effective on 10/1/2016, or the date of the signature by the State of Ohio on this contract, whichever is later. This contract shall remain in effect, until the end of the biennium, June 30, 2017, or until terminated as provided in this contract.

The original signed request must be submitted to the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services by 2 o'clock p.m. on the above listed opening date to receive consideration for award.

Submission of Proposal

Electronic bids must be sent to OhioMHASBidOpportunity@mha.ohio.gov. All attachments included in the posting opportunity MUST be submitted with proposal. Original bid may be sent via U.S. mail Attn: Fiscal Office, Heartland Behavioral Healthcare, 3000 Erie St. S, Massillon, Oh 44646. The bid number must be clearly marked on the sealed envelope.

CERTIFICATION STATEMENTS

- I. **DOMESTIC AND/OR OHIO PREFERENCE:** The agency is applying preference for Domestic and/or Ohio preference as defined in the Revised Code Sections 125.09 and 125.11 and Administrative Code Section 123:5-1-06. Bidders claiming preference for Domestic Source End Products and/or the Ohio preference must complete the following information. **Any bidder who intentionally submits false or misleading information in an attempt to receive a bid preference will be immediately disqualified and may be subject to legal action up to and including debarment.** Bidders who qualify as an "Ohio" bidder (offer an Ohio product or who have significant Ohio economic presence) or who qualify as a Border State bidder are eligible to receive a five percent (5%) preference over non-Ohio/Border state bidders. The state reserves the right to clarify any information during the evaluation process. **BIDDERS MUST COMPLETE THIS CERTIFICATION TO RECEIVE THE PREFERENCE.**

A. DOMESTIC PREFERENCE (BUY AMERICAN): [Not applicable to "Excepted Products"]

1. Where is each product/services being offered mined, raised, grown, produced or manufactured?
 - United States: _____(State) Canada Mexico (Go to B-1)
 - Other: (Specify Country)_____ (Go to A-2)
2. End product is manufactured outside the United States and at least 50% of the cost of its components are produced, mined, raised, grown or manufactured within the United States. The cost of components may include transportation costs to the place of manufacture and, in the case of components of foreign origin, duty whether or not a duty free entry certificate is issued.
 - Yes (Go to Section B-1) No (Go to Section A-3)
3. The Bidder hereby certifies that each end product, except the products listed below, is a domestic source end product as defined in the Buy American Act and that components of unknown origin have been considered to have been mined, produced, grown or manufactured outside the United States.

_____ (Item) _____ (Country of Origin)
 _____ (Item) _____ (Country of Origin)

A domestic end source product is deemed to be excessively priced if it exceeds the cost of the foreign product by more than 6%. Pursuant to FAR, Part 25, the State of Ohio does not acquire supplies or services that cannot be imported lawfully into the United States. The contractor, their subcontractor(s) and any agent of the contractor or subcontractor must not acquire any supplies or services originating from sources within, or that were located in or transported from or through Cuba, Iran, Iraq, Libya, North Korea, Sudan Territory of Afghanistan controlled by the Taliban, or Serbia (excluding the territory of Kosovo).

B. OHIO PREFERENCE (BUY OHIO):

1. The products/services being offered are raised, grown, produced, mined or manufactured in Ohio.
 - Yes (Go to II. E.D.G.E. Designation) No (Go to B-2)
2. Bidder has significant economic presence within the State of Ohio.
 - Yes (Answer a, b, c, d below) No (Go to B-3)
 - a) Bidder has paid the required taxes due the State of Ohio Yes No
 - b) Bidder is registered with the Ohio Secretary of State
 - Yes (Charter/Registration No.: _____) No
 Questions regarding registration should be directed to (614) 466-3910 or visit their web site at:
<http://www.sos.state.oh.us/>
 - c) Bidder has ten or more employees based in Ohio or border state. Yes No (Go to B-2d)
 - d) Bidder has seventy-five percent or more employees based in Ohio or border state. Yes No (Go to B-3)
3. Border state bidder: Yes (Specify which state then go to B-2c): KY MI NY PA IN No (Go to B-4)
4. Border state bidder: mined products mined in respective border state Yes No Not Applicable

- II. **E.D.G.E. DESIGNATION:** Is the bidder a certified E.D.G.E. business Yes No

For information on E.D.G.E. designation, please visit the DAS Equal Opportunity Division website at: <http://www.das.ohio.gov/Divisions/EqualOpportunity/tabid/80/Default.aspx>

- III. **INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:** Contractor certifies that Contractor is a "business entity" as that term is defined in O.R.C. Section 145.037. See SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS, S-19. Independent Contractor Acknowledgement. Bidder is defined as a business entity Yes No

INQUIRIES: All inquiries should be submitted a minimum of two (2) working days prior to the opening date through the Procurement website, www.procure.ohio.gov. Click "Find it Fast," select "Doc/Bid/Schedule#" in Step 1, enter the Bid/Quote Number in Step 2, click "Find it Fast." The "Submit Inquiry" button is at the bottom of the Opportunity Detail page. Bidders will not receive a personalized e-mail response to their question, nor will they receive notification when the question is answered. Responses may be viewed by clicking the "View Q & A" button located beneath the "Submit Inquiry" button. You may also access all open opportunity postings via the MHAS Website at <http://mha.ohio.gov/Default.aspx?tabid=725>. The website provides a link directly to www.procure.ohio.gov.

SPECIFICATIONS

Project Overview- The Ohio Department of Mental Health & Addiction Services, Heartland Behavioral Healthcare, located in Massillon, Ohio, is currently negotiating a personal service contract for Paid Extern within our mental health facility. This Invitation to Bid will cover services beginning October 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 but is subject to change at the discretion of Heartland Behavioral Healthcare.

Scope of Work- All services will be provided on the grounds of Heartland Behavioral Healthcare to mentally ill patients in an in-patient setting. The vendor will provide documentation of any necessary certifications and licensure necessary to provide the services required.

- Assistance to Board-certified or board eligible psychiatrist at HBH
- Direct patient care under supervision of BC/BE psychiatrist which includes:
 - Performing documentation in AVATAR, gathering information for the patient's visit with attending psychiatrist cosigning the completed notes
 - Suggesting diagnoses and treatment of patients with attending cosigning
 - Discussing and suggesting psychotropic medications and treatment options with final determination made by BC/BE psychiatrist
- Assist psychiatrist in daily required rounding of patients
- Communicate with other attending psychiatrists, nursing and auxiliary staff
- Communicate with therapeutic treatment team and formulate patient treatment plan under supervision of attending psychiatrist
- Ultimate goals: Improve physician productivity thereby improving patient flow and overall outcomes
- Partnering with physician to deliver the pinnacle of efficient patient care.

The contractor shall ensure compliance with the established standards of the Joint Commission, conditions of participation of CMS, and evidenced based practices.

Evaluation of Proposals and Award of Contract

Proposals will be scored and point values given to the following criteria.

Technical Criterion	Weight	Rating (0 – 5)	Technical Score
Hourly Rate	25		
Valid Ohio Licensure	25		
Experience working with patients with mental illness	50		
Total Weight	100		

PRICE SCHEDULE (if applicable)**STATE OF OHIO**

Department of Mental Health
and Addiction Services

INSTRUCTIONS, TERMS AND CONDITIONS

I-1. Bids are a Public Record. Once bids have been opened they may be considered public record as defined in Ohio Revised Code ("O.R.C.") Section 149.43 and are subject to inspection and copying. Bidder may request that certain information, such as trade secrets or proprietary data, be designated as confidential and not considered as public records. Such requests must be accompanied by the statutory exemption from Ohio's Public Records Act, Chapter 149 of the O.R.C. Any confidential material shall accompany the bid in a sealed container marked "confidential", and shall be readily separable from the bid in order to facilitate public inspection of non-confidential portion. Prices, makes, models, catalog numbers of items offered, deliveries and terms of payment shall not be considered as confidential. The decision as to whether or not such trade secrets or proprietary data shall be disclosed at the bid opening rests solely with the State.

I-2. Bids are Firm for 90 Days. Unless stated otherwise, once opened all Bids are irrevocable for ninety (90) days. Beyond ninety (90) days, bidder will have the option to honor their Bid or make a written request to withdraw their Bid from consideration.

I-3. Bid Preparation. The State of Ohio assumes no responsibility for costs incurred by the Bidder prior to the award of any Contract resulting from this Bid. Total liability of the State is limited to the terms and conditions of a resulting Contract.

I-4. Suspension and Debarments. The State will not award a contract for supplies or services, funded in whole or in part with Federal funds, to a person who has been suspended or debarred from doing business with the State of Ohio or who appears on the Federal List of Excluded Parties Listing System <https://www.sam.gov/portal/public/SAM/>

I-5. Registration with the Secretary of State. The Bidder certifies that the Bidder is:

- (A) an Ohio corporation that is properly registered with the Ohio Secretary of State; or
- (B) a foreign corporation, not incorporated under the laws of the State of Ohio, but is registered with the Ohio Secretary of State pursuant to O.R.C. Sections 1703.01 to 1703.31, as applicable.

Any foreign corporation required to be licensed under O.R.C. Sections 1703.01 to 1703.31, which transacts business in the State of Ohio, without being so licensed, or when its license has expired or been canceled, shall forfeit not less than \$250 nor more than ten thousand dollars. No officer of a foreign corporation shall transact business in the State of Ohio, if such corporation is required by O.R.C. Sections 1703.01 to 1703.31 to procure and maintain a license, but has not done so. Whoever violates this is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree.

I-6. Certification Regarding Contract Eligibility With Other Governmental Entities. The Bidder certifies that Bidder has not, within the last seven (7) years been the subject of any government action to limit the Bidder's right to do business with the government. If the Bidder cannot so certify, the Bidder must provide a written explanation with the bid response.

I-7. Non-Collusion Certification. The Bidder certifies that he/she is (sole owner, partner, president, secretary, etc.) of the party making the forgoing bid; that such bid is genuine and not collusive or sham; that bidder has not colluded, conspired or agreed, directly or indirectly, with any bidder or person, to put in a sham bid; or colluded or conspired to have another not bid and has not in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by agreement or collusion, or communication or conference, with any person to fix the bid price of its bid or any other bidder, or to fix any overhead, profit or cost element of the bid price, or of that of any other bidder, or to secure any advantage against any bidder or any person or persons interested in the proposed contract and that all statements contained in the bid are true; and further, that the Bidder has not, directly or indirectly, submitted this bid, or the contents thereof, or divulged any related information or data to any association or to any member or agent of any association.

I-8. Electronic Commerce Program. The State of Ohio is an active participant in E-Commerce to include Electronic Data Interchange (EDI). This program will benefit both the State and the Contractor by reducing time delays in receiving invoices and making payments that are associated with the existing manual processes. The Contractor is encouraged to move toward compliance with electronic commerce technologies, as this will be the preferred method of doing business with the State of Ohio. Information regarding E-Commerce is available on the Office of Budget and Management's website at <http://obm.ohio.gov/StateAccounting/edi/default.aspx>

I-9. Use of Social Security Numbers as Federal Tax Identification Numbers. The State requires vendors and contractors wishing to do business with the State to provide their Federal Taxpayer Identification Number to the Department. The Department does this so that it can perform statutorily required "responsibility" analyses on those vendors and contractors doing business with the State and, under limited circumstances, for tax reporting purposes. If you are a vendor or contractor using your Social Security Number as your Federal Taxpayer Identification Number, please be aware that the information you submit is a public record, and the Department may be compelled by Ohio law to release Federal Taxpayer Identification Numbers as a public record. If you do not want to have your Social Security Number potentially disclosed as a Federal Taxpayer Identification Number, the Department encourages you to use a separate Employer Identification Number (EIN) obtained from the United States Internal Revenue Service's to serve as your Federal Taxpayer Identification Number.

I-10. Expenditure of Public Funds on Offshore Services. The Contractor affirms to have read and understands Executive Order 2011-12K and shall abide by those requirements in the performance of this Contract. Notwithstanding any other terms of this Contract, the State reserves the right to recover any funds paid for services the Contractor performs outside of the United States for which it did not receive a waiver. The State does not waive any other rights and remedies provided the State in this Contract.

The Offeror must complete the attached [Contractor/Subcontractor Affirmation and Disclosure form 5.2.8](#) to abide with Executive Order 2011-12K affirming no services of the Contractor or its subcontractors under this Contract will be performed outside the United States. During the performance of this Contract, the Contractor must not change the location(s) of the country where the services are performed, change the location(s) of the country where the data are maintained, or made available unless a duly signed waiver from the State has been attained to perform the services outside the United States.

SUPPLEMENTAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

S-1. Contract Components. This Contract consists of the complete Request to Bid/Quote, including the Instructions, Terms and Conditions, the Standard Contract Terms and Conditions, the Supplemental Contract Terms and Conditions, the Special Contract Terms and Conditions, the bid specifications and any written addenda and contract amendments to the Request to Bid/Quote; the completed competitive bid, including proper modifications, clarifications and samples; and applicable, valid State of Ohio purchase orders or other ordering documents ("Contract").

S-2. Contract Orders. The ordering agency will order supplies or services under this Contract from the Contractor directly. The Contractor may receive orders made by telephone, facsimile, electronically, in person, debit order or by State of Ohio payment card or purchase order from authorized employees of the participating agency. The State will not be responsible for orders placed by unauthorized employees. Contractor is not required to fill an order with a delivery date that is more than 30 days beyond the date of Contract expiration, termination or cancellation, unless the Contract provides for quarterly deliveries. Under a Contract that provides for quarterly deliveries, Contractor is not required to fill an order with a delivery date that is more than 90 days beyond the date of Contract expiration, termination or cancellation.

S-3. Compensation. In consideration for Contractor's performance the ordering agency will pay Contractor directly at the rate specified in the Contract. Payments may be made by the Ohio Payment Card, an Auditor of State warrant or by electronic funds transfer (EFT). For all transactions the Contractor must have a valid W-9 form on file with the Office of Budget and Management. Registration in OBM's database requires the Contractor to complete a Vendor Information Form and IRS W-9 Form. The completed original form should be mailed to Vendor Maintenance, Ohio Shared Services. Information on submitting appropriate documents is available at <http://www.ohiosharedservices.ohio.gov/VendorsForms.aspx>

S-4. Ohio Payment Card. The ordering agency purchasing supplies from the Contract may use the Ohio Payment Card. Such purchases may not exceed \$2,500 unless the Office of Budget & Management has approved the agency to exceed this limit. In the event that OBM increases the dollar limit for payment cards for all state agencies, notice of such increase will be posted on the DAS-Procurement Services website. The ordering agency is required to use the Ohio Payment Card in accordance with the Ohio, Office of Budget and Management's current guidelines for the Ohio Payment Card and the participating agency's approved plan filed with the Office of Budget of Management. Contractor may process a payment in the payment card network only upon delivery and acceptance of the supplies or services ordered. For partial deliveries or performance, Contractor may process a payment for the amount delivered or completed only and not for the entire amount ordered by the participating agency. Upon completion of the delivery of remaining supplies or services, Contractor may process a payment request in the payment card network for the remainder of the order. Contractor will receive payment through its merchant bank within the time frame agreed upon between Contractor and its merchant bank. The Contractor should expect normal processing fees from its merchant bank for payment card transaction which may not be passed on to the agency making the purchase.

S-5. Term of Contract. This Contract is effective upon the projected beginning date on the Request to Bid/Quote cover page or upon date of the signature of the State, whichever is later in time. This Contract will remain in effect until either (1) the projected ending date on the Request to Bid/Quote cover page; (2) the Contract is fully performed by both parties; (3) the Contract is canceled or terminated; or (4) the Contract expires at the end of a biennium, whichever event occurs first.

The current General Assembly cannot commit a future General Assembly to a future expenditure. If the term of the Contract extends beyond a biennium, the Contract will expire at the end of a current biennium and the State may renew this Contract in the next biennium by issuing written notice to the Contractor no later than July 1 of the new biennium. The operating biennium expires June 30th of each odd-numbered calendar year.

S-6. Contract Renewal. This Contract may be renewed after the ending date of the Contract solely at the discretion of the State for a period of one month. Any further renewals will be by mutual agreement between the contractor and the State for any number of times and for an appropriate period of time. The cumulative time of all mutual renewals may not exceed twenty-four (24) months unless the State determines that additional renewal is necessary.

S-7. F.O.B., The Place of Destination. Contractor must provide supplies or services under this Contract F.O.B. the place of destination. The place of destination will be specified by the ordering agency on the agency's purchase order or other ordering document. Freight will be prepaid unless otherwise stated.

S-8. Time of Delivery. If Contractor is not able to deliver the supplies or services on the date and time specified on the agency's ordering document, Contractor must coordinate an acceptable date and time for delivery with the agency. If Contractor is not able to or does not provide the supplies or services to the agency by the date and time provided on the agency's ordering document or by the date and time later agreed upon, the State may obtain any remedy under Section II, "Contract Remedies", as described in the Standard Contract Terms and Conditions or any other remedy at law.

S-9. Minimum Orders-Transportation Charges. For purchase orders placed that are less than the stated minimum order, transportation charges will be prepaid and added to the invoice by the Contractor to the delivery location designated by the ordering agency. Shipment is to be made by private or commercial freight service provider, air, rail, water, parcel post, express or commercial package delivery, whichever is the most economical and expeditious method for proper delivery of the item. Failure of the Contractor to utilize the most economical mode of transportation shall result in the Contractor reimbursing the ordering agency the difference between the most economical mode of transportation and the mode of transportation used by the Contractor. Failure to reimburse the ordering agency shall be considered as a default.

S-10. Price Adjustments. If the Contract provides for a price increase, Contractor may request a price increase in accordance with the Contract. If the State or the Contractor becomes aware of a general price decrease for the supplies or services provided under Contract, Contractor must provide a price decrease to the State of Ohio. Failure to provide a decrease will be considered as a default.

S-11. Workers' Compensation. Workers' compensation insurance, as required by Ohio law or the laws of any other state where work under this Contract will be done. The Contractor will also maintain employer's liability insurance with at least a \$1,000,000.00 limit.

S-12. Automobile and General Liability Insurance. During the term of the Contract and any renewal thereto, the Contractor, and any agent of the Contractor, at its sole cost and expense shall maintain a policy of Automobile Liability Insurance in accordance with the State and Federal laws, unless otherwise stated. In addition, Contractor shall carry Commercial General Liability Insurance coverage with a \$1,000,000 annual aggregate and a \$500,000 per occurrence limit for bodily injury, personal injury, wrongful death and property damage. The defense cost shall be outside the policy limits. Such policy shall designate the State of Ohio as an Additional Insured, as its interest may appear. The policy shall also be endorsed to include a blanket waiver of subrogation and a statement that the Contractor's commercial general liability insurance shall be primary over any other coverage. Umbrella/excess liability insurance may be used to meet the required limits and the coverage must follow form. The State reserves the right to approve all policy deductibles and levels of self-insured retention-captive insurance programs and may require the Contractor to have their policy(ies) endorsed to reflect per project / per location general aggregate limits.

If not submitted with the Bidder's response, copies of the respective insurance certificates shall be filed with the State within seven (7) calendar days after notification. Failure to submit the insurance certificates within this time period may result in the Bidder being deemed not responsive. Said certificates are subject to the approval of the State and shall contain a clause or endorsement providing thirty (30) days prior written notice of cancellation, non-renewal or decrease in coverage will be given to the State. Failure of the Contractor to maintain this coverage for the duration of the Contract, and any renewals thereto, may be considered as a default. All insuring companies shall have and maintain at least an A- (Excellent) rating from A.M. Best, unless otherwise approved by the State.

S-13. Contract Compliance. The agency is responsible to administer and monitor the Contractor's performance and compliance with the terms, conditions and specifications of the Contract. Therefore, the Contractor must respond to complaints about performance of the obligations in this Contract to such entity in a timely manner.

Any time the agency observes any performance or compliance issues, they shall do the following:

1. Timely document the compliance or performance issue.
2. Convey the issue to the Contractor and demand immediate correction.
3. Document the Contractor corrective actions or lack thereof.

If the Contractor fails to correct satisfactorily the performance or compliance issue, the State may employ all available options and remedies, including termination of the Contract if necessary to resolve the Contractor's continued nonperformance or noncompliance. Failure of the Contractor to respond to a notice of nonperformance or noncompliance may result in default of the Contractor, and may be cause for termination.

S-14. Quality Assurance. At the option of the State samples may be taken from deliveries made and submitted for laboratory tests. The State will bear the cost of the testing when samples are found to be in compliance with the Contract. If samples do not conform to the Contract, Contractor will bear the costs of testing and the State will apply the terms and conditions of the Termination provision of this Contract.

S-15. Return Goods Policy. The State will apply the following Return Goods Policy on all purchases made under the Contract. The Bidder acknowledges to have read, understood, and agrees to this Policy.

- (A) Return goods, when due to Contractor error (i.e. over-shipment, defective merchandise, unapproved substitution, etc.) shall be returned to the Contractor, at the Contractor's expense. The Contractor shall make arrangements to remove the return goods from the agency premises within seven (7) calendar days after notification. The Contractor shall not apply any restocking or other charges to the agency. At the option of the agency, replacement items may be accepted and will be shipped within seven (7) calendar days of notification. Failure of the Contractor to arrange for return of the items within the specified time will result in the items being deemed as abandoned property and the agency will dispose of accordingly.
- (B) For orders of custom manufactured items, the Contractor will provide a production sample of the item to the ordering agency for acceptance. The production sample will be identical to the item to be provided. The ordering agency will provide written acceptance of the item prior to the Contractor continuing with production. Once delivery and acceptance has been completed and the ordering agency determines for any reason that any remaining quantities will not be used, the agency may request the return of the custom manufactured items. Acceptance of the return of custom manufactured items will be at the option of the Contractor. If the Contractor agrees to the return of these items, the agency will be responsible for all costs associated with packaging, shipment and transportation, to include the original shipment to the agency and subsequent return of goods to the location designated by the Contractor. The Contractor may assess restocking fees that are equivalent to restocking fees that are normally assessed to other customers or as published by the Contractor. Failure of the Contractor to provide a production sample and obtain written approval from the ordering agency will result in the Contractor bearing all responsibility and costs associated with the return of these goods.

(C) Return goods of regular catalog stock merchandise, when due to agency error (i.e. over purchase, discontinued use, inventory reduction, etc.) will be accepted by the Contractor if notice is given by the agency within six (6) months of delivery and acceptance. All items to be returned must be unused and in their original containers and in suitable condition for resale. The ordering agency will be responsible for all transportation costs associated with both the original shipment of items to the agency and the subsequent return of the items to the location designated by the Contractor. The Contractor may assess a restocking fee associated with the return of the items to the location designated by the Contractor. The Contractor may assess a restocking fee not to exceed their standard published restocking fee or equivalent restocking fee that is assessed to other customers of the Contractor. Return of regular stock catalog merchandise, when delivery and acceptance exceed six (6) months will be at the option of the Contractor.

S-16. Product Recall. In the event product delivered has been recalled, seized, or embargoed and/or has been determined to be misbranded, adulterated, or found to be unfit for human consumption by the packer, processor, manufacturer or by any State or Federal regulatory agency, the Contractor shall be responsible to notify the State within two business days after notice has been given. Contractor shall, at the option of the ordering agency, either reimburse the purchase price or provide an equivalent replacement product at no additional cost. Contractor shall be responsible for removal and/or replacement of the affected product within a reasonable time as determined by the ordering agency. At the option of the ordering agency, Contractor may be required to reimburse storage and/or handling fees to be calculated from time of delivery and acceptance to actual removal. Contractor will bear all costs associated with the removal and proper disposal of the affected product. Failure to reimburse the purchase price or provide equivalent replacement product will be considered a default.

S-17. Ohio Ethics. Contractor represents that it and its employees engaged in the administration or performance of this Contract are knowledgeable of and understand the Ohio Ethics and Conflict of Interest laws. Contractor further represents that neither Contractor nor any of its employees will do any act that is inconsistent with such laws.

S-18. Debarment. Contractor represents and warrants that it is not debarred from consideration for contract awards by the State, pursuant to O.R.C. Section 125.25 or by any other governmental agency. If this representation and warranty is found to be false, this Contract is void *ab initio* and the Contractor shall immediately repay to the State any funds paid under this Contract.

S-19. Independent Contractor Acknowledgement. It is fully understood and agreed that Contractor is an independent contractor and is not an agent, servant, or employee of the State of Ohio or the Ohio Department of Administrative Services. Contractor declares that it is engaged as an independent business and has complied with all applicable federal, state, and local laws regarding business permits and licenses of any kind, including but not limited to any insurance coverage, workers' compensation, or unemployment compensation that is required in the normal course of business and will assume all responsibility for any federal, state, municipal or other tax liabilities. Additionally, Contractor understands that as an independent contractor, it is not a public employee and is not entitled to contributions from the State to any public employee retirement system.

Contractor acknowledges and agrees any individual providing personal services under this agreement is not a public employee for purposes of Chapter 145 of the Ohio Revised Code. Unless Contractor is a "business entity" as that term is defined in O.R.C. Section 145.037 ("an entity with five or more employees that is a corporation, association, firm, limited liability company, partnership, sole proprietorship, or other entity engaged in business") Contractor shall have any individual performing services under the contract complete and submit to the ordering agency the Independent Contractor/Worker Acknowledgement found at the following link: <https://www.opers.org/forms/definitions/PEDACKN.shtml>.

Contractor's failure to complete and submit the Independent Contractor/Worker Acknowledgement prior to commencement of the work, service or deliverable, provided under this contract, shall serve as Contractor's certification that contractor is a "Business entity" as the term is defined in O.R.C. Section 145.037.

Contractor certifies, by signature below that the information provided is accurate and complete. Additionally, contractor declares to have read and understood and agrees to be bound by all of the instructions, contract terms, conditions and specifications of this request and agrees to fulfill the requirements of any awarded contract at the prices bid.

This document hereby incorporates the request to bid/quote the contractor's bid submission, including the Terms and Conditions for Bidding, special contract terms & conditions, any bid addenda, specifications, pricing schedules, Vendor Information Form, W9, and any attachments incorporated by reference and accepted by the State become a part of awarded Contract.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties by signing below indicate their agreement to the terms and conditions of performing business with the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services. NOTE: The Contractor agrees to sign attached example of Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services – Personal Service Contract.

Company Name

[Signature, Blue Ink Only] Must be an individual authorized to legally bind the Company indicated above.

[Print Name & Title]

Date

Date

Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services Personal Service Contract

Section A: Contract Parties

This contract is entered into between the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services on behalf of the following:

Name of Hospital, Division, or Other Entity Heartland Behavioral Healthcare	Address (Street, City, State, Zip) 3000 Erie St. South, Massillon, Ohio 44646
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AND:

Name of Contractor	Address (Street, City, State, Zip)	OAKS Vendor ID	Add. Code
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Section B: Effective Dates

This contract is effective from 10/01/2016 through 06/30/2017.

Section C: OhioMHAS Coding

Bus. Unit	FUND	Account	ALI	Dept. ID	Prog.	Grant/Proj	Project	Report	Agency Use
DMH01									

Personal Service Contract

I. STATEMENT OF WORK

- a. Contractor shall undertake the work and activities set forth in the Scope of Work, which is attached hereto as Exhibit I, and incorporated by reference as if fully written herein. Contractor shall consult with Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) personnel and other appropriate persons, agencies, and instrumentalities as necessary to assure understanding of the work and satisfactory completion thereof.

Contractor shall, prior to undertaking any work, complete the following (select all that apply):

Contractor who will be undertaking work at an OhioMHAS facility, or any personnel employed by the contractor who will be undertaking work at an OhioMHAS facility, shall, at the Contractor's expense, undergo a background investigation in the same manner as set forth in Ohio Administrative Code 5122-7-21(E)(1)(e). If the background investigation reveals a conviction or guilty plea that would disqualify an employment candidate according to Ohio Administrative Code 5122-7-21(D), the Contractor must immediately provide new personnel or OhioMHAS may unilaterally terminate this contract.

Contractor who will be undertaking work at an OhioMHAS facility, or any personnel employed by the contractor who will be undertaking work at an OhioMHAS facility, shall provide results of a negative tuberculosis test conducted within six months prior to the contractor or employee beginning work at the OhioMHAS facility.

- b. It is fully understood and agreed that Contractor and all employees and subcontractors providing services to OhioMHAS under this Contract is/are independent contractor(s) and is/are not an agent, servant, or employee of the State of Ohio or OhioMHAS for any purpose, including for the purposes of Chapter 145 of the Ohio Revised Code. Contractor declares that it is engaged as an independent business and has complied with all applicable federal, state, and local laws regarding business permits and licenses of any kind, including but not limited to any insurance coverage that is required in the normal course of business.
- c. Contractor shall furnish professional services performed in accordance with standards necessary for the satisfactory performance of the work hereunder. OhioMHAS shall not be required to provide any training to the Contractor to enable it to perform services required hereunder. Contractor agrees that it does not have any authority to sign agreements, notes, and/or obligations or to make purchases and/or dispose of property for, or on behalf of, the State of Ohio or OhioMHAS.
- d. Unless stated otherwise in the Scope of Work, Contractor shall furnish its own support staff, materials, tools, equipment, and other supplies necessary for the satisfactory performance of the work hereunder. Contractor shall be responsible for and assume all office and business expenses that are incurred as a result of the performance of this contract, unless stated otherwise.
- e. Any travel-related expenses incurred by the Contractor under this contract shall be at the Contractor's expense.

- f. OhioMHAS may, from time to time as it deems appropriate, communicate specific instructions and requests to Contractor concerning the performance of the work described in this contract. It is expressly understood by the parties that these instructions and requests are for the sole purpose of performing the specific tasks requested to ensure satisfactory completion of the work described in this contract. The management of the work, including the exclusive right to control or direct the manner or means by which the work described herein remains with and is retained by the Contractor. OhioMHAS retains the right to ensure that the work of the Contractor is in conformity with the terms and conditions of the contract.
- g. The Contractor must receive written approval from OhioMHAS prior to entering into any subcontract or joint venture for the delivery of services required by this contract. If the Contractor enters into any agreement with a subcontractor, the Contractor is ultimately responsible for any and all actions or omissions by the subcontractor in the delivery of services under this contract.
 - i. Throughout the term of this contract, the Contractor shall provide OhioMHAS with copies of all current licensure, certification, and/or accreditation, including any renew or re-issuance thereof, for any employee or subcontractor, providing services under this contract.
 - ii. The Contractor agrees that while operating in an OhioMHAS facility, the Contractor and/or any employee or subcontractor of the Contractor, shall follow all applicable rules and regulations for that facility.

II. TIME OF PERFORMANCE

- a. This contract shall **commence** on and shall **expire** on
- b. In the event that the work hereunder is to be done in separate phases or tasks, each phase or task shall be completed within the time prescribed.
- c. Upon the expiration of this contract, OhioMHAS and the Contractor may renew this contract under the same terms and conditions stated herein. Such renewal shall be by written addendum executed by the both parties evidencing their agreement to renew the contract. In the event that the parties hereto do not execute an addendum evidencing the parties' agreement to renew this contract, the contract shall expire on the date set forth above and neither party to this contract shall have any further obligations hereunder.

III. COMPENSATION

- a. In consideration for the promises and performance of Contractor as set forth herein, OhioMHAS agrees: (check one)
 - To pay to Contractor, upon completion of each deliverable or task and upon actual receipt of proper invoices, compensation at the rate(s) specified in Exhibit I; or

To pay to Contractor, upon actual receipt of proper invoices, compensation at the hourly rate(s) specified in Exhibit I for services performed; or

A lump sum amount of \$ for services performed in accordance with Exhibit I.

- b. It shall be mutually agreed and understood between both parties that the total amount to be paid by OhioMHAS to the Contractor under this contract shall in no event exceed the sum of \$ unless Contractor receives prior approval from OhioMHAS or when required, approval of the Controlling Board and is so notified of such approval by OhioMHAS in writing.
- c. In accordance with Section 126.30 of the Revised Code, and any applicable rules thereto, OhioMHAS shall make prompt payment for any services acquired from the Contractor. Upon receipt of a proper invoice and unless otherwise stated, payment shall be made within thirty (30) calendar days. The adequacy and sufficiency of all invoices shall be determined solely by OhioMHAS. If OhioMHAS determines that an invoice is inadequate or insufficient, or determines that further documentation or clarification is required, the burden of providing the required information or documentation is on the Contractor. OhioMHAS shall notify the Contractor in writing of the inadequacy or insufficiency and may provide any information necessary to correct the inadequacy or insufficiency. If such notification of inadequacy or insufficiency is sent, the required payment date shall be thirty (30) days after receipt of the corrected invoice.
- d. All invoices for services rendered under this contract must be submitted by the Contractor no later than sixty (60) days after the expiration of the contract term. No payment shall be issued for invoices submitted more than sixty (60) days past the expiration of the contract term.
- e. It is expressly understood by the parties that none of the rights, duties, and obligations described in this contract shall be binding on either party until all statutory provisions under the Ohio Revised Code, including but not limited to Section 126.07, have been complied with and until such time as all necessary funds are made available and forthcoming from the appropriate state agencies, and, when required, such expenditure of funds is approved by the General Assembly and the Controlling Board of the State of Ohio or, in the event that federal funds are used, until such time that OhioMHAS gives the Contractor written notice that such funds have been made available to it, by the State's funding source.

IV. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- a. ENTIRE AGREEMENT: The contract, when signed by both parties, along with any attachments, constitutes the entire agreement between the parties herein. No rights herein will be waived, unless specifically agreed upon in writing by the parties hereto. This contract supersedes any and all previous agreements, whether written, or oral, between the parties. A waiver by any party of any breach or default by the other party under this contract shall not constitute a continuing waiver by such party of any subsequent act in breach of or in default hereunder.

- b. **AMENDMENTS:** OhioMHAS and the Contractor agree that any amendment or modification including, but not limited to a change in the rate(s) or type(s) of service shall require a written agreement signed by both parties.
- c. **GOVERNING LAW:** This contract and any claims arising in any way out of this contract shall be governed by the laws of the State of Ohio, without regard to choice of law provisions, and only Ohio courts shall have jurisdiction over any action or proceeding concerning the Contract or performance thereunder.
- d. **CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION:** This contract will be construed in accordance with the plain meaning of its language and neither for nor against the drafting party.
- e. **HEADINGS:** The headings used in this contract are for convenience only and will not affect the interpretation of any of the contract terms and conditions.
- f. **ORDER OF PRIORITY:** If there is any inconsistency or conflict between this document and any provision incorporated by reference, this document will prevail.
- g. **SEVERABILITY:** If any provision of this contract or the application of any provision of this contract is held to be contrary to law, the remaining provisions will remain in full force and effect.
- h. **ASSIGNMENT / DELEGATION:** The Contractor will not assign any of its rights nor delegate any of its duties and responsibilities under this contract without prior written consent of OhioMHAS. Any assignment or delegation not consented to may be deemed void by OhioMHAS.
- i. **EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY:** The Contractor will comply with all state and federal laws regarding equal employment opportunity, including Ohio Revised Code Section 125.111 and all related Executive Orders.

Before a contract can be awarded or renewed, when applicable, an Affirmative Action Program Verification Form must be completed using the Ohio Business Gateway Electronic Filing website <http://business.ohio.gov/efiling/>. Approved Affirmative Action Plans may be found at the Equal Opportunity Department's website: <http://eodreporting.oit.ohio.gov/searAffirmativeAction.aspx>

- j. **PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION:** If applicable, the Contractor agrees to execute the OhioMHAS business associate agreement or acknowledge receipt of HIPAA training by executing the OhioMHAS Assurance of Preservation of the Confidentiality and Security of Protected Health Information prior to accessing any PHI relating to services rendered under this contract.
- k. **ACCREDITATION STANDARDS:** The services to be performed under this contract shall meet standards required by the Joint Commission, Centers for Medicaid & Medicare Services or other accrediting or certifying organizations, as appropriate.

1. **AUDITS and RECORDS INSPECTION:** The Contractor must keep all financial records in a manner consistent with generally accepted accounting principles. Additionally, the Contractor must keep separate business records for this project, including records of disbursements and obligations incurred that must be supported by contracts, invoices, vouchers and other data as appropriate.

During the period covered by this contract and until the expiration of three (3) years after final payment under this contract, the Contractor agrees to provide the State, its duly authorized representatives or any person, agency or instrumentality providing financial support to the work undertaken hereunder, with access to and the right to examine any books, documents, papers and records of the Contractor involving transactions related to this contract.

The Contractor shall, for each subcontract in excess of two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500), require its subcontractors to agree to the same provisions. The Contractor may not artificially divide contracts with its subcontractors to avoid requiring subcontractors to agree to this provision.

The Contractor must provide access to the requested records no later than five (5) business days after the request by the State or any party with audit rights. If an audit reveals any material deviation from the contract requirements, and misrepresentations or any overcharge to the State or any other provider of funds for the contract, the State or other party will be entitled to recover damages, as well as the cost of the audit.

If this contract or the combination of all other contracts with the Contractor exceeds ten-thousand dollars (\$10,000) over a twelve (12) month period, the Contractor agrees to allow federal government access to the contracts and books, documents, and records needed to verify the Contractor's and/or subcontractor's costs.

- m. **ANTITRUST ASSIGNMENT TO THE STATE:** Contractor assigns to the State of Ohio, through the OhioMHAS, all of its rights to any claims and causes of action the Contractor now has or may acquire under state or federal antitrust laws if the claims or causes of action relate to the services provided under this contract. Additionally, the State of Ohio will not pay excess charges resulting from antitrust violations by Contractor's suppliers and subcontractor
- n. **DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE:** The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable state and federal laws regarding smoke-free and drug-free workplaces. The Contractor agrees to require that all its employees, while working on state property, will not purchase, transfer, use or possess illegal drugs or alcohol or abuse prescription drugs in any way.
- o. **OWNERSHIP:** OhioMHAS shall have unrestricted authority to reproduce, distribute and use (in whole or in part) any reports, data or materials prepared by the Contractor, subcontractor or any person acting on behalf of the contractor pursuant to this agreement. No such documents or other materials produced (in whole or in part) with funds provided to the Contractor by OhioMHAS shall be subject to copyright, trademark or patent by the Contractor in the United States or any other country.

- p. **PUBLICITY:** The Contractor will not advertise that it is doing business with the State or use this contract as a marketing or sales tool without prior, written consent of the State.
- q. **OHIO ELECTIONS LAW:** Contactor, by signature affixed on this document, hereby certifies that all applicable partics listed in Divisions (I) or (J) of ORC 3517.13 are in full compliance with the provisions of divisions (I) and (J) of ORC 3517.13.
- r. **PROHIBITION OF THE PURCHASE OF OFF-SHORE SERVICES & LOCATION OF SERVICES, DATA:** The Contractor affirms to have read and understands Executive

Order 2011-12K issued by Ohio Governor John R. Kasich and shall abide by those requirements in the performance of this contract, and shall perform no services required under this contract outside of the United States. The Executive Order is available at the following website: (<http://www.governor.ohio.gov/Portals/0/pdf/executiveOrders/EO%202011-12K.pdf>).

As part of this contract, the Contractor shall disclose the following:

1. The location(s) where all services will be performed by Contractor or subcontractor(s);
2. The location(s) where any state data applicable to the contract will be accessed, tested, maintained, backed-up or stored by the Contractor or subcontractor(s); and
3. The principal location of business for the Contractor and subcontractor(s)

Neither the Contractor nor its subcontractor(s) shall, during the performance of this contract, change the location(s) of the country where the services are performed or change the location(s) of the country where the data is maintained or made available without prior written approval of the State.

- s. **FORCE MAJEURE:** If OhioMHAS or the Contractor is unable to perform any part of its obligations under this contract by reason of force majeure, the party will be excused from its obligations, to the extent that its performance is prevented by force majeure for the duration of the event. The party must remedy with all reasonable dispatch the cause preventing it from carrying out its obligations under the contract. The term "force majeure" means without limitation: acts of God such as epidemics; lightning; earthquakes; fires; storms; hurricanes; tornadoes; floods; washouts; droughts; other severe weather; explosions; restraint of government and people; war; strikes; and other like events; or any cause that could not be reasonably foreseen in the exercise of ordinary care, and that is beyond the reasonable control of the party.
- t. **STRICT PERFORMANCE:** The failure of either party at any time to demand strict performance by the other party of any of the terms of this contract will not be construed as a waiver of any such term, and either party may at any time demand strict and complete performance by the other party.
- u. **TAXES:** The Contractor affirms that it is not delinquent in the payment of any applicable federal, state, and local taxes and agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws in the performance of the work hereunder.

The Contractor accepts full responsibility for payment of all taxes, including and without limitation, unemployment compensation, insurance premiums, all income tax deductions, social security deductions, and any and all other taxes or payroll deductions required for all employees engaged by the Contractor in the performance of the work authorized by this Contract. OhioMHAS and the State of Ohio shall not be liable for any taxes under this contract.

- v. **WORKERS' COMPENSATION:** The Contractor must maintain workers' compensation insurance as required by Ohio law and the laws of any other state where work is performed under this contract. The Contractor must submit proof of workers' compensation insurance upon request.
- w. **UNRESOLVED FINDINGS:** The Contractor warrants that it is not subject to an unresolved finding for recovery as defined in O.R.C. 9.24. If the warranty is deemed to be false, this contract is void *ab initio* and the Contractor shall immediately repay the State any funds paid under this contract.
- x. **OHIO ETHICS:** The Contractor is responsible to review and comply with all relevant provisions of O.R.C Chapters 102 and 2921, as interpreted by the courts of the State and by the opinions of the Ohio Ethics Commission. In addition, the Contractor certifies that it is currently in compliance and will continue to adhere to the requirements of the Ohio ethics laws.
- y. The Contractor must comply with any direction from OhioMHAS to preserve documents and information, in both electronic and paper form, and to suspend any scheduled destruction of such documents and information.

V. TERMINATION

- a. **UNILATERAL TERMINATION:** Prior to the expiration of the term of this contract, either party may unilaterally terminate this contract with thirty (30) days written notice to the other party.
- b. **DEFAULT:** If the Contractor fails to perform any of the requirements of this contract, or is in violation of a specific provision of this contract, OhioMHAS may provide the Contractor written notice of the failure to perform or the violation and shall provide a thirty (30) day period to cure any and all defaults under this contract. During the thirty (30) day cure period, the Contractor shall incur only those obligations or expenditures which are necessary to enable the Contractor to continue its operation and achieve compliance as set forth in the notice. Should the Contractor fail to comply within OhioMHAS's cure period, the Contractor shall be held in default of this contract and the contract shall terminate at the end of the thirty (30) day cure period.
- c. **TERMINATION OF SERVICES:** In the event of termination, the Contractor shall be entitled to compensation, upon submission of a proper invoice, for the work performed prior to receipt of notice of termination, less any funds previously paid by or on behalf of OhioMHAS. OhioMHAS shall not be liable for any further claims. Any payments made by OhioMHAS in which services have not been rendered by the Contractor shall be returned to OhioMHAS.

VI. CONTRACT REMEDIES

- a. **ACTUAL DAMAGES:** The Contractor is liable to OhioMHAS for all actual and direct damages caused by Contractor's default. OhioMHAS may buy substitute services from a third party for those that were to be provided by the Contractor. OhioMHAS may recover from the Contractor the costs associated with acquiring substitute services, less any expenses or costs saved by the Contractor's default.
- b. **LIQUIDATED DAMAGES:** If actual or direct damages are uncertain or difficult to determine, OhioMHAS may recover liquidated damages in the amount of one (1) percent of the value of the deliverable that is the subject of the default, for every day that the default is not cured by the Contractor.

VII. **LIMITATION OF LIABILITY:** OhioMHAS's liability for damages, whether in contract or in tort, shall not exceed the total amount of compensation payable to the Contractor under this contract. In addition, the Contractor agrees that OhioMHAS and the State of Ohio and any funding source for this contract are held harmless and immune from any and all claims for injury or damages arising from this contract which are attributable to the Contractor's own actions or omissions or those of its trustee, officers, employees, subcontractors, suppliers, and other third parties while acting under this contract. Such claims shall include any claims made under the Fair Labor Standards Act or under any other federal or state law involving wages, overtime, or employment matters and any claims involving patents, copyrights and trademarks. Contractor agrees to bear all costs associated with defending against any such claims or legal actions when requested by OhioMHAS or the State to do so.

VIII. **NOTICE:** Except as specifically provided otherwise, all notices, consents and communications hereunder shall be given in writing, and be either hand carried or sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the respective addresses on Exhibit 1 of this document.

Exhibit 1

Contract Parties:

OhioMHAS Facility/Division (Name and Address)

Heartland Behavioral Healthcare
3000 Erie St. South
Massillon, Ohio 44646

Contractor (Name and Address)

Compensation:

Hourly rate for deliverables as identified below.

Scope of Work:

- Assistance to Board-certified or board eligible psychiatrist at HBH
- Direct patient care under supervision of BC/BE psychiatrist which includes:
- Performing documentation in AVATAR, gathering information for the patient's visit with attending psychiatrist cosigning the completed notes
- Suggesting diagnoses and treatment of patients with attending cosigning
- Discussing and suggesting psychotropic medications and treatment options with final determination made by BC/BE psychiatrist
- Assist psychiatrist in daily required rounding of patients
- Communicate with other attending psychiatrists, nursing and auxillary staff
- Communicate with therapeutic treatment team and formulate patient treatment plan under supervision of attending psychiatrist
- Ultimate goals: Improve physician productivity thereby improving patient flow and overall outcomes
- Partnering with physician to deliver the pinnacle of efficient patient care.

The contractor shall ensure compliance with the established standards of the Joint Commission, conditions of participation of CMS, and evidenced based practices.



SUPPLIER INFORMATION FORM

Required sections must be completed or the form will not be processed. **Incomplete forms will be returned.** All information must be legible. Ensure this is the latest version of the form at www.ohiosharedservices.ohio.gov.

SECTION 1 – PLEASE SPECIFY TYPE OF ACTION (REQUIRED)												
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<input type="checkbox"/> CHANGE OF PAY TERMS <input type="checkbox"/> CHANGE OF PO DISPATCH METHOD <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER _____												
SECTION 2 – PLEASE PROVIDE SUPPLIER INFORMATION (REQUIRED)												
LEGAL BUSINESS OR INDIVIDUAL NAME: (MUST MATCH W-9 OR W-8ECI FORM)												
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CITY:	STATE:	ZIP CODE:										

SECTION 5 – CONTACT PERSON TO RECEIVE E-MAIL NOTICE OF BID EVENTS - A USER ID & PASSWORD WILL BE SENT TO THE E-MAIL ADDRESS BELOW – (BUSINESSES ONLY)

NAME:

E-MAIL:

TO ADD AN ADDITIONAL OR TO REPLACE THE CURRENT STRATEGIC SOURCING (SS) CONTACT

ADDITIONAL STRATEGIC SOURCING CONTACT

REPLACE SS CONTACT **(WILL BE MARKED INACTIVE)**

NAME:

E-MAIL:

SECTION 6 – PAYMENT TERMS (PLEASE CHECK ONE – IF NONE IS SELECTED THEN NET 30 WILL APPLY)

Invoices will be paid in 30 days from invoice date unless an alternate pay-term is selected below

2/10 NET 30

NET 30

SECTION 7 – PURCHASE ORDER DISTRIBUTION–OTHER THAN USPS MAIL (ONLY APPLICABLE TO THOSE RECEIVING POs)

E-MAIL OR FAX:

SECTION 8 – PLEASE SIGN & DATE (REQUIRED)

PRINT NAME:

SIGNATURE: (HANDWRITTEN SIGNATURE REQUIRED)

DATE:

SECTION 9 – STATE OF OHIO AGENCY CONTACT PERSON (AGENCY RECEIVING PAYMENTS FROM)

AGENCY CONTACT NAME/E-MAIL/PHONE:

COMMENTS:

Note: This document contains sensitive information. Sending via non-secure channels, including e-mail and fax can be a potential security risk.
1 Pursuant to 26 USC 6109, the state is required to collect TIN/EIN/Social Security numbers and to use the numbers in its annual report to the IRS the amount the state has paid each supplier.

SELECT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING METHODS FOR DOCUMENT SUBMISSION:

Email: supplier@ohio.gov

Fax: 1 (614) 485-1052

Mail: Ohio Shared Services
Attn: Supplier Operations
P.O. Box 182880 Cols., OH 43218-2880

QUESTIONS? PLEASE CONTACT:

Phone: 1 (877) OHIO - SS1 (1-877-644-6771)

1 (614) 338-4781

Website: www.ohiosharedservices.ohio.gov/

Email: supplier@ohio.gov

Note. If you are a U.S. person and a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

Definition of a U.S. person. For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

- An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien;
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States;
- An estate (other than a foreign estate); or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

Special rules for partnerships. Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax under section 1446 on any foreign partners' share of effectively connected taxable income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, the rules under section 1446 require a partnership to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the section 1446 withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid section 1446 withholding on your share of partnership income.

In the cases below, the following person must give Form W-9 to the partnership for purposes of establishing its U.S. status and avoiding withholding on its allocable share of net income from the partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States:

- In the case of a disregarded entity with a U.S. owner, the U.S. owner of the disregarded entity and not the entity;
- In the case of a grantor trust with a U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner, generally, the U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner of the grantor trust and not the trust; and
- In the case of a U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust), the U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust) and not the beneficiaries of the trust.

Foreign person. If you are a foreign person or the U.S. branch of a foreign bank that has elected to be treated as a U.S. person, do not use Form W-9. Instead, use the appropriate Form W-8 or Form 8233 (see Publication 515, Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities).

Nonresident alien who becomes a resident alien. Generally, only a nonresident alien individual may use the terms of a tax treaty to reduce or eliminate U.S. tax on certain types of income. However, most tax treaties contain a provision known as a "saving clause." Exceptions specified in the saving clause may permit an exemption from tax to continue for certain types of income even after the payee has otherwise become a U.S. resident alien for tax purposes.

If you are a U.S. resident alien who is relying on an exception contained in the saving clause of a tax treaty to claim an exemption from U.S. tax on certain types of income, you must attach a statement to Form W-9 that specifies the following five items:

1. The treaty country. Generally, this must be the same treaty under which you claimed exemption from tax as a nonresident alien.
2. The treaty article addressing the income.
3. The article number (or location) in the tax treaty that contains the saving clause and its exceptions.
4. The type and amount of income that qualifies for the exemption from tax.
5. Sufficient facts to justify the exemption from tax under the terms of the treaty article.

Example. Article 20 of the U.S.-China income tax treaty allows an exemption from tax for scholarship income received by a Chinese student temporarily present in the United States. Under U.S. law, this student will become a resident alien for tax purposes if his or her stay in the United States exceeds 5 calendar years. However, paragraph 2 of the first Protocol to the U.S.-China treaty (dated April 30, 1984) allows the provisions of Article 20 to continue to apply even after the Chinese student becomes a resident alien of the United States. A Chinese student who qualifies for this exception (under paragraph 2 of the first protocol) and is relying on this exception to claim an exemption from tax on his or her scholarship or fellowship income would attach to Form W-9 a statement that includes the information described above to support that exemption.

If you are a nonresident alien or a foreign entity, give the requester the appropriate completed Form W-8 or Form 8233.

Backup Withholding

What is backup withholding? Persons making certain payments to you must under certain conditions withhold and pay to the IRS 28% of such payments. This is called "backup withholding." Payments that may be subject to backup withholding include interest, tax-exempt interest, dividends, broker and barter exchange transactions, rents, royalties, nonemployee pay, payments made in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, and certain payments from fishing boat operators. Real estate transactions are not subject to backup withholding.

You will not be subject to backup withholding on payments you receive if you give the requester your correct TIN, make the proper certifications, and report all your taxable interest and dividends on your tax return.

Payments you receive will be subject to backup withholding if:

1. You do not furnish your TIN to the requester,
2. You do not certify your TIN when required (see the Part II instructions on page 3 for details),

3. The IRS tells the requester that you furnished an incorrect TIN,
4. The IRS tells you that you are subject to backup withholding because you did not report all your interest and dividends on your tax return (for reportable interest and dividends only), or
5. You do not certify to the requester that you are not subject to backup withholding under 4 above (for reportable interest and dividend accounts opened after 1983 only).

Certain payees and payments are exempt from backup withholding. See *Exempt payee code* on page 3 and the separate Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

Also see *Special rules for partnerships* above.

What is FATCA reporting?

The Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) requires a participating foreign financial institution to report all United States account holders that are specified United States persons. Certain payees are exempt from FATCA reporting. See *Exemption from FATCA reporting code* on page 3 and the Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

Updating Your Information

You must provide updated information to any person to whom you claimed to be an exempt payee if you are no longer an exempt payee and anticipate receiving reportable payments in the future from this person. For example, you may need to provide updated information if you are a C corporation that elects to be an S corporation, or if you no longer are tax exempt. In addition, you must furnish a new Form W-9 if the name or TIN changes for the account; for example, if the grantor of a grantor trust dies.

Penalties

Failure to furnish TIN. If you fail to furnish your correct TIN to a requester, you are subject to a penalty of \$50 for each such failure unless your failure is due to reasonable cause and not to willful neglect.

Civil penalty for false information with respect to withholding. If you make a false statement with no reasonable basis that results in no backup withholding, you are subject to a \$500 penalty.

Criminal penalty for falsifying information. Willfully falsifying certifications or affirmations may subject you to criminal penalties including fines and/or imprisonment.

Misuse of TINs. If the requester discloses or uses TINs in violation of federal law, the requester may be subject to civil and criminal penalties.

Specific Instructions

Line 1

You must enter one of the following on this line; **do not** leave this line blank. The name should match the name on your tax return.

If this Form W-9 is for a joint account, list first, and then circle, the name of the person or entity whose number you entered in Part I of Form W-9.

a. **Individual.** Generally, enter the name shown on your tax return. If you have changed your last name without informing the Social Security Administration (SSA) of the name change, enter your first name, the last name as shown on your social security card, and your new last name.

Note. ITIN applicant: Enter your individual name as it was entered on your Form W-7 application, line 1a. This should also be the same as the name you entered on the Form 1040/1040A/1040EZ you filed with your application.

b. **Sole proprietor or single-member LLC.** Enter your individual name as shown on your 1040/1040A/1040EZ on line 1. You may enter your business, trade, or "doing business as" (DBA) name on line 2.

c. **Partnership, LLC that is not a single-member LLC, C Corporation, or S Corporation.** Enter the entity's name as shown on the entity's tax return on line 1 and any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

d. **Other entities.** Enter your name as shown on required U.S. federal tax documents on line 1. This name should match the name shown on the charter or other legal document creating the entity. You may enter any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

e. **Disregarded entity.** For U.S. federal tax purposes, an entity that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner is treated as a "disregarded entity." See Regulations section 301.7701-2(c)(2)(iii). Enter the owner's name on line 1. The name of the entity entered on line 1 should never be a disregarded entity. The name on line 1 should be the name shown on the income tax return on which the income should be reported. For example, if a foreign LLC that is treated as a disregarded entity for U.S. federal tax purposes has a single owner that is a U.S. person, the U.S. owner's name is required to be provided on line 1. If the direct owner of the entity is also a disregarded entity, enter the first owner that is not disregarded for federal tax purposes. Enter the disregarded entity's name on line 2, "Business name/disregarded entity name." If the owner of the disregarded entity is a foreign person, the owner must complete an appropriate Form W-8 instead of a Form W-9. This is the case even if the foreign person has a U.S. TIN.

Line 2

If you have a business name, trade name, DBA name, or disregarded entity name, you may enter it on line 2.

Line 3

Check the appropriate box in line 3 for the U.S. federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one box in line 3.

Limited Liability Company (LLC). If the name on line 1 is an LLC treated as a partnership for U.S. federal tax purposes, check the "Limited Liability Company" box and enter "P" in the space provided. If the LLC has filed Form 8832 or 2553 to be taxed as a corporation, check the "Limited Liability Company" box and in the space provided enter "C" for C corporation or "S" for S corporation. If it is a single-member LLC that is a disregarded entity, do not check the "Limited Liability Company" box; instead check the first box in line 3 "Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC."

Line 4, Exemptions

If you are exempt from backup withholding and/or FATCA reporting, enter in the appropriate space in line 4 any code(s) that may apply to you.

Exempt payee code.

- Generally, individuals (including sole proprietors) are not exempt from backup withholding.
- Except as provided below, corporations are exempt from backup withholding for certain payments, including interest and dividends.
- Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding for payments made in settlement of payment card or third party network transactions.
- Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding with respect to attorneys' fees or gross proceeds paid to attorneys, and corporations that provide medical or health care services are not exempt with respect to payments reportable on Form 1099-MISC.

The following codes identify payees that are exempt from backup withholding. Enter the appropriate code in the space in line 4.

- 1—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a), any IRA, or a custodial account under section 403(b)(7) if the account satisfies the requirements of section 401(f)(2)
- 2—The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities
- 3—A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or possession, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities
- 4—A foreign government or any of its political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities
- 5—A corporation
- 6—A dealer in securities or commodities required to register in the United States, the District of Columbia, or a U.S. commonwealth or possession
- 7—A futures commission merchant registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission
- 8—A real estate investment trust
- 9—An entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940
- 10—A common trust fund operated by a bank under section 584(a)
- 11—A financial institution
- 12—A middleman known in the investment community as a nominee or custodian
- 13—A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947

The following chart shows types of payments that may be exempt from backup withholding. The chart applies to the exempt payees listed above, 1 through 13.

IF the payment is for . . .	THEN the payment is exempt for . . .
Interest and dividend payments	All exempt payees except for 7
Broker transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4 and 6 through 11 and all C corporations. S corporations must not enter an exempt payee code because they are exempt only for sales of noncovered securities acquired prior to 2012.
Barter exchange transactions and patronage dividends	Exempt payees 1 through 4
Payments over \$600 required to be reported and direct sales over \$5,000 ¹	Generally, exempt payees 1 through 5 ²
Payments made in settlement of payment card or third party network transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4

¹ See Form 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Income, and its instructions.

² However, the following payments made to a corporation and reportable on Form 1099-MISC are not exempt from backup withholding: medical and health care payments, attorneys' fees, gross proceeds paid to an attorney reportable under section 6045(f), and payments for services paid by a federal executive agency.

Exemption from FATCA reporting code. The following codes identify payees that are exempt from reporting under FATCA. These codes apply to persons submitting this form for accounts maintained outside of the United States by certain foreign financial institutions. Therefore, if you are only submitting this form for an account you hold in the United States, you may leave this field blank. Consult with the person requesting this form if you are uncertain if the financial institution is subject to these requirements. A requester may indicate that a code is not required by providing you with a Form W-9 with "Not Applicable" (or any similar indication) written or printed on the line for a FATCA exemption code.

A—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a) or any individual retirement plan as defined in section 7701(a)(37)

B—The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities

C—A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or possession, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities

D—A corporation the stock of which is regularly traded on one or more established securities markets, as described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i)

E—A corporation that is a member of the same expanded affiliated group as a corporation described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i)

F—A dealer in securities, commodities, or derivative financial instruments (including notional principal contracts, futures, forwards, and options) that is registered as such under the laws of the United States or any state

G—A real estate investment trust

H—A regulated investment company as defined in section 851 or an entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940

I—A common trust fund as defined in section 584(a)

J—A bank as defined in section 581

K—A broker

L—A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947(a)(1)

M—A tax exempt trust under a section 403(b) plan or section 457(g) plan

Note. You may wish to consult with the financial institution requesting this form to determine whether the FATCA code and/or exempt payee code should be completed.

Line 5

Enter your address (number, street, and apartment or suite number). This is where the requester of this Form W-9 will mail your information returns.

Line 6

Enter your city, state, and ZIP code.

Part I. Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. If you are a resident alien and you do not have and are not eligible to get an SSN, your TIN is your IRS individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN). Enter it in the social security number box. If you do not have an ITIN, see *How to get a TIN* below.

If you are a sole proprietor and you have an EIN, you may enter either your SSN or EIN. However, the IRS prefers that you use your SSN.

If you are a single-member LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner (see *Limited Liability Company (LLC)* on this page), enter the owner's SSN (or EIN, if the owner has one). Do not enter the disregarded entity's EIN. If the LLC is classified as a corporation or partnership, enter the entity's EIN.

Note. See the chart on page 4 for further clarification of name and TIN combinations.

How to get a TIN. If you do not have a TIN, apply for one immediately. To apply for an SSN, get Form SS-5, Application for a Social Security Card, from your local SSA office or get this form online at www.ssa.gov. You may also get this form by calling 1-800-772-1213. Use Form W-7, Application for IRS Individual Taxpayer Identification Number, to apply for an ITIN, or Form SS-4, Application for Employer Identification Number, to apply for an EIN. You can apply for an EIN online by accessing the IRS website at www.irs.gov/businesses and clicking on Employer Identification Number (EIN) under Starting a Business. You can get Forms W-7 and SS-4 from the IRS by visiting IRS.gov or by calling 1-800-TAX-FORM (1-800-829-3676).

If you are asked to complete Form W-9 but do not have a TIN, apply for a TIN and write "Applied For" in the space for the TIN, sign and date the form, and give it to the requester. For interest and dividend payments, and certain payments made with respect to readily tradable instruments, generally you will have 60 days to get a TIN and give it to the requester before you are subject to backup withholding on payments. The 60-day rule does not apply to other types of payments. You will be subject to backup withholding on all such payments until you provide your TIN to the requester.

Note. Entering "Applied For" means that you have already applied for a TIN or that you intend to apply for one soon.

Caution: A disregarded U.S. entity that has a foreign owner must use the appropriate Form W-8.

Part II. Certification

To sign with the withholding agent that you are a U.S. person, or resident alien, sign Form W-9. You may be requested to sign by the withholding agent even if items 1, 4, or 5 below indicate otherwise.

For a joint account, only the person whose TIN is shown in Part I should sign (when required). In the case of a disregarded entity, the person identified on line 1 must sign. Exempt payees, see *Exempt payee code* earlier.

Signature requirements. Complete the certification as indicated in items 1 through 5 below.

1. Interest, dividend, and barter exchange accounts opened before 1984 and broker accounts considered active during 1983. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

2. Interest, dividend, broker, and barter exchange accounts opened after 1983 and broker accounts considered inactive during 1983. You must sign the certification or backup withholding will apply. If you are subject to backup withholding and you are merely providing your correct TIN to the requester, you must cross out item 2 in the certification before signing the form.

3. Real estate transactions. You must sign the certification. You may cross out item 2 of the certification.

4. Other payments. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification unless you have been notified that you have previously given an incorrect TIN. "Other payments" include payments made in the course of the requester's trade or business for rents, royalties, goods (other than bills for merchandise), medical and health care services (including payments to corporations), payments to a nonemployee for services, payments made in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, payments to certain fishing boat crew members and fishermen, and gross proceeds paid to attorneys (including payments to corporations).

5. Mortgage interest paid by you, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, qualified tuition program payments (under section 529), IRA, Coverdell ESA, Archer MSA or HSA contributions or distributions, and pension distributions. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

What Name and Number To Give the Requester

For this type of account:	Give name and SSN of:
1. Individual	The individual
2. Two or more individuals (joint account)	The actual owner of the account or, if combined funds, the first individual on the account ¹
3. Custodian account of a minor (Uniform Gift to Minors Act)	The minor ²
4. a. The usual revocable savings trust (grantor is also trustee) b. So-called trust account that is not a legal or valid trust under state law	The grantor-trustee ¹ The actual owner ¹
5. Sole proprietorship or disregarded entity owned by an individual	The owner ³
6. Grantor trust filing under Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 1 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(A))	The grantor ⁴
For this type of account:	Give name and EIN of:
7. Disregarded entity not owned by an individual	The owner
8. A valid trust, estate, or pension trust	Legal entity ⁴
9. Corporation or LLC electing corporate status on Form 8832 or Form 2553	The corporation
10. Association, club, religious, charitable, educational, or other tax-exempt organization	The organization
11. Partnership or multi-member LLC	The partnership
12. A broker or registered nominee	The broker or nominee
13. Account with the Department of Agriculture in the name of a public entity (such as a state or local government, school district, or prison) that receives agricultural program payments	The public entity
14. Grantor trust filing under the Form 1041 Filing Method or the Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 2 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(B))	The trust

¹ List first and circle the name of the person whose number you furnish. If only one person on a joint account has an SSN, that person's number must be furnished.

² Circle the minor's name and furnish the minor's SSN.

³ You must show your individual name and you may also enter your business or DBA name on the "Business name/disregarded entity" name line. You may use either your SSN or EIN (if you have one), but the IRS encourages you to use your SSN.

⁴ List first and circle the name of the trust, estate, or pension trust. (Do not furnish the TIN of the personal representative or trustee unless the legal entity itself is not designated in the account title.) Also see *Special rules for partnerships* on page 2.

*Note. Grantor also must provide a Form W-9 to trustee of trust.

Note. If no name is circled when more than one name is listed, the number will be considered to be that of the first name listed.

Secure Your Tax Records from Identity Theft

Identity theft occurs when someone uses your personal information such as your name, SSN, or other identifying information, without your permission, to commit fraud or other crimes. An identity thief may use your SSN to get a job or may file a tax return using your SSN to receive a refund.

To reduce your risk:

- Protect your SSN,
- Ensure your employer is protecting your SSN, and
- Be careful when choosing a tax preparer.

If your tax records are affected by identity theft and you receive a notice from the IRS, respond right away to the name and phone number printed on the IRS notice or letter.

If your tax records are not currently affected by identity theft but you think you are at risk due to a lost or stolen purse or wallet, questionable credit card activity or credit report, contact the IRS Identity Theft Hotline at 1-800-908-4490 or submit Form 14039.

For more information, see Publication 4535, Identity Theft Prevention and Victim Assistance.

Victims of identity theft who are experiencing economic harm or a system problem, or are seeking help in resolving tax problems that have not been resolved through normal channels, may be eligible for Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) assistance. You can reach TAS by calling the TAS toll-free case intake line at 1-877-777-4778 or TTY/TDD 1-800-829-4059.

Protect yourself from suspicious emails or phishing schemes. Phishing is the creation and use of email and websites designed to mimic legitimate business emails and websites. The most common act is sending an email to a user falsely claiming to be an established legitimate enterprise in an attempt to scam the user into surrendering private information that will be used for identity theft.

The IRS does not initiate contacts with taxpayers via emails. Also, the IRS does not request personal detailed information through email or ask taxpayers for the PIN numbers, passwords, or similar secret access information for their credit card, bank, or other financial accounts.

If you receive an unsolicited email claiming to be from the IRS, forward this message to phishing@irs.gov. You may also report misuse of the IRS name, logo, or other IRS property to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration (TIGTA) at 1-800-366-4484. You can forward suspicious emails to the Federal Trade Commission at: spam@uce.gov or contact them at www.ftc.gov/idtheft or 1-877-IDTHEFT (1-877-438-4338).

Visit IRS.gov to learn more about identity theft and how to reduce your risk.

Privacy Act Notice

Section 6109 of the Internal Revenue Code requires you to provide your correct TIN to persons (including federal agencies) who are required to file information returns with the IRS to report interest, dividends, or certain other income paid to you; mortgage interest you paid; the acquisition or abandonment of secured property; the cancellation of debt; or contributions you made to an IRA, Archer MSA, or HSA. The person collecting this form uses the information on the form to file information returns with the IRS, reporting the above information. Routine uses of this information include giving it to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation and to cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. commonwealths and possessions for use in administering their laws. The information also may be disclosed to other countries under a treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce civil and criminal laws, or to federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies to combat terrorism. You must provide your TIN whether or not you are required to file a tax return. Under section 3406, payers must generally withhold a percentage of taxable interest, dividend, and certain other payments to a payee who does not give a TIN to the payer. Certain penalties may also apply for providing false or fraudulent information.