

STATE OF TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES

WRITTEN QUESTIONS FOR ANNOUNCEMENT OF FUNDING RFS 35910-12469 FOR

CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION SERVICES

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1.	We have previously been allowed to apply(and were funded) with a mental health license in lieu of a DCS license. Is this still acceptable in this round of funding?	No. You will need to have a DCS license. DCS licensing process Child Abuse Prevention and Educational Programs (including Child Advocacy Centers)
		https://www.tn.gov/dcs/program- areas/licensing.html
2.	Can we propose to use the ChildHelp Speak Up, Be Safe! Curriculum in lieu of Monique Burr foundation, for child focused child abuse prevention? Others have had permission to use this in the past.	Yes, if you have received permission from the model owner and are meeting fidelity to model.
3.	Can we apply for Primary Prevention and Secondary Prevention in one grant application. For example, we would like to provide D2L (Primary) in Union County and SUBS (Secondary) training in Union and Claiborne County	Yes. See AOF pg. 8 Funding - A program that can serve more than one region must submit separate proposals for each region served.
4.	For the Secondary Prevention, that is located on page 3, TN CBCAP Funding Logic Model, are the services listed all required services that must be provided or is that a list of the ones that we can provide?	It is the suggested list of identified programs that are EB/EI from the California clearinghouse.
5.	The previous grant cycle contract stated that the amount would lessen with each year, will that be the plan for the new grant cycle as well?	Yes – See AOF Pg. 9 Budget proposals must adhere to the following formulas:
6.	Is there a grantee participation requirement?	Budget proposals must adhere to the following formulas: July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026: One hundred percent (100%) of the total budget is grant dollars. July 1, 2026-June 30, 2027: Nighty percent (90%) of the total budget is grant dollars. At least ten percent (10%) of the total budget must be agency match. The ten percent (10%) match may be cash, cash and inkind, or all in-kind. July 1, 2027-June 30, 2028: Eighty percent (80%) of the total budget is grant dollars. At least twenty percent (20%) of the total budget must be agency match. The twenty percent (20%) match may be cash, cash and in-kind, or all in-kind.
7.	Regarding the CBCAP AOF section requiring verification of DCS licensure, what type of documentation should be provided given our agency is licensed under Davis House Child Advocacy Center until we are able acquire our own license? We are in the process of applying, but we are technically licensed through DHCAC.	You will need to provide your current license and proof of application for DCS licensure.
8.	I wanted to confirm whether a separate proposal is required for each county and/or region we choose to select.	If you are applying for one \$50,000 grant you would submit one application. Please reference the AOF pg. 8 A program that can serve more than one region must submit separate proposals for each region served.
9.	Page 12 (section 4) provides the order of documents the proposal needs to follow, however in section 6 (technical proposal requirements) it seems that the order listed does not align with what is stated in section 4. Can you provide clarification on the order of the documents in the proposal?	The technical proposal in Section 6 will be part of submitting the whole proposal, located in Section 4 under D. Technical Proposal.

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10.	We currently receive a prevention grant that will be complete mid-2026. I assume I should not apply for the prevention grant that was released for applications currently?	If you would like to be considered for a grant contract for the period July 1 2025- June 30, 2028, you will need to submit a proposal for this AOF.
11.	Can we apply for Primary Prevention and Secondary Prevention in one grant application. For example, we would like to provide D2L (Primary) in Union County and SUBS (Secondary) training in Union and Claiborne County.	If you are applying for one \$50,000 grant you would submit one application. See AOF pg. 8 Funding - A program that can serve more than one region must submit separate proposals for each region served.
12.	For the Secondary Prevention, that is located on page 3, TN CBCAP Funding Logic Model, are the services listed all required services that must be provided or is that a list of the ones that we can provide?	It is the suggested list of identified programs that are EB/EI from the California clearinghouse.
13.	I am with grant contract number 74442. I wanted to reach out and ask if we are able to request more funds for the upcoming grant cycle. Also, I know the previous grant cycle contract stated that the amount would lessen with each year, will that be the plan for the new grant cycle as well? Also is there a grantee participation requirement?	Grants are \$50,000 per site. You are expected to meet the participation requirement. See AOF pg. 9 Budget proposals must adhere to the following formulas:
14.	Regarding the CBCAP AOF section requiring verification of DCS licensure, what type of documentation should be provided given our agency is licensed under Davis House Child Advocacy Center until we are able acquire our own license? We are in the process of applying, but we are technically licensed through DHCAC. Our licensing agent is Samantha Britain.	Submit your current license and proof of application for your own DCS license in the application. If chosen for an award you would need to submit your new license prior to July 1, 2025.
15.	I wanted to confirm whether a separate proposal is required for each county and/or region we choose to select?	Grants are \$50,000 per site. See AOF pg. 8 Funding - A program that can serve more than one region must submit separate proposals for each region served.
16.	Are listed programs in services section the logic model the only approved programs? If not, what is needed for a program to be approved?	It must be an evidence-based program. You must submit proof that the program chosen not on the logic model is an evidence-based program on a clearinghouse.
17.	How many sections of the State's logic model must we meet to be a funded program?	The logic model provides a menu of secondary and prevention services the state is focused on. Agencies can select as many as they are capable of implementing or can focus on just one.
18.	May we have the link to the FAST Heat Maps referenced?	Please reference the heat map in the AOF on p. 6
19.	Is there a link we can see all the questions and answers for this funding?	Yes. it will be posted once all questions and answers have been gathered. It will be posted for all applicants.
20.	Is there any consideration in choosing the funding for an existing program vs a new program?	No.
21.	Are gift cards or gas cards incentives an allowable cost for programs?	No.
22.	What is the total amount of funding for the TN CBCAP?	Funding is awarded at a maximum of \$50,000 per site. Please follow the Budget proposals must adhere to the following formulas: outlined on page. 9 in the AOF
23.	To receive funding, is an applicant required to provided services in every county within a region?	No. Application is by site/county.
24.	How much CBCAP funding is available per region?	Funding is awarded by qualified application and county need, not region.

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25.	How much CBCAP primary prevention funding has been cut per region?	Funding is not awarded by region.	
26.	Is there a set number of contracts that can or will be granted per region?	No.	
27.	Wanted to confirm if we can submit more than one proposal per region. If so, is that limited to submitting one adult-focused and one child-focused prevention training per region?	Funding is awarded at a maximum of \$50,000 per site.	
28.	With this new cycle of funding, can we submit proposals for Nurturing Parenting and Darkness to Light as separate contracts?	Funding is awarded at a maximum of \$50,000 per site. Please see AOF pg, 8 Funding - A program that can serve more than one region must submit separate proposals for each region served.	
29.	Can an organization apply for two grants at \$50,000 each, or is there a total funding limit of \$50,000 across multiple grants awarded?	Funding is awarded at a maximum of \$50,000 per site. Please see AOF pg, 8 Funding - A program that can serve more than one region must submit separate proposals for each region served.	
30.	Is the \$50,000 amount per year or for the entire three-year grant cycle?	Grants are \$50,000 per site/per year. However, grantees are expected to meet the participation requirement. Please refer to AOF p. 9 Budget proposals must adhere to the following formulas: outlines %s of participation requirement/match	
31.	Can an organization apply for more than one grant if applying for multiple training formats (child-based, adult-based, primary, secondary)?	Funding is awarded at a maximum of \$50,000 per site.	
32.	In Section 6, Technical Proposal Requirements, part 5d , it mentions a "screening tool." Could you clarify what is meant by this?	We would like grantees to be using a screening tool to determine eligibility for the program and assessing for any risk factors the parent /participant may have. In addition, a tool that determines if the program can meet the participant's unique needs. To aid in early intervention/prevention of future DCS involvement.	
33.	In Section 6, part 5f , it references a Parent Leadership Team. Is this required if the organization is not applying for a Nurturing Parenting grant?	It is a required component of all applicants and part of the Federal Legislation for (CBCAP). CBCAP requires that service providers: Have a strong parent leadership component. They want to see you are involving parents in some way through your CBCAP programs, whether it is in leadership roles, volunteer roles, gathering feedback from them around the programs, etc.	
34.	In the Statement of Assurances, Section 7 Parent Leadership , is this requirement applicable only to Nurturing Parenting grants, or is it required for all applicants?	It is a required component of all applicants and part of the Federal Legislation for (CBCAP). CBCAP requires that service providers: Have a strong parent leadership component. They want to see you are involving parents in some way through your CBCAP programs, whether it is in leadership roles, volunteer roles, gathering feedback from them around the programs, etc.	

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35.	Is there a budget sheet and face sheet available for download to be submitted with the grant proposal?	Please see attachments located at the end of AOF for all required documents.		
36.	How should grant proposals be submitted—via email or through a designated portal?	Located on PG.12, there will be instructions on how to submit the grant proposal:		
		Submit proposals to: EI_DCS.Contracts@tn.gov		
37.	Is it necessary for us to submit our Child Placing Agency license as part of the process?	You must submit proof of DCS license with application.		
38.	Could you please confirm what specific information needs to be included in our proposal to demonstrate that we have applied for the Child Abuse Prevention license?	Submit your current license and proof of application for your own DCS license in the application. If chosen for an award you would need to submit your new license prior to July 1, 2025.		
39.	I wanted to follow up regarding the additional 25 points under prioritized proposals. Could you kindly clarify whether we need to submit a separate proposal to qualify for these points, or if a single proposal would suffice as long as it addresses serving one of the underserved communities?	Your application should reference the bullets that you are covering to make it clear for the evaluation team reviewing the applications.		
40.	Technical Proposal Requirements - Item #4: I wanted to follow up regarding the additional 25 points under prioritized proposals. Could you please clarify if we need to submit a separate proposal to qualify for these points, or would a single proposal suffice as long as it addresses serving one of the underserved communities	Your application should reference the bullets that you are covering to make it clear for the evaluation team reviewing the applications.		
41.	The Logic Model that is required, is this required to be in the exact provided format or are we allowed to submit a logic model that is already completed for the program we are using?	Applicants can use any format. Resources for logic models in the AOF are just to offer suggestions if needed.		
42.	Is there a minimum number of counties to be served in each region? Does each agency select what counties they wish to serve?	Funding is awarded at a maximum of \$50,000 per site. A site may serve one county or multiple counties. The county or counties served must be specified in the application.		
43.	Our current contract ends September 30 th , 2025. The new contract begins on July 1, 2025. What would those three months look like as far as overlap of funds and expectation of spending?	Invoices should reflect the contract number and follow the requirements for the budget year for each separate contract.		
44.	Could agencies be provided with what would be allowable for an in-kind match in years 2 & 3?	It's the decision of the applicant to determine how much of the match percentage they want to use for in-kind.		
45.	Is the total potential grant \$50,000 per year, for three years <i>or</i> \$50,000 over the total grant cycle of three years?	\$50,000 per year of the grant cyclePlease see AOF pg. 9 Budget proposals must adhere to the following formulas:		
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46.	Is a mental health license still superior and sufficient for this application or do we need to have the DCS prevention license also?	No. You will need to have a DCS license. DCS licensing process Child Abuse Prevention and Educational Programs (including Child Advocacy Centers) https://www.tn.gov/dcs/programareas/licensing.html
47.	Are letters of support required or welcomed for this application?	Please see AOF pg. 12 – Submitting the Proposal - All grant applications MUST be submitted to the Department of Children's Services with the items identified below at the following address email address: G. Letters of Support/Letters of Agreement