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LETTER OF INTENT

To: Indiana Department of Administration
Procurement Division Room W468, IGCS

From: FSSA/Division of Mental Health and Addiction
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Date: June 15, 2017

Are federal funds¹ going to be used for this procurement? Yes No
If yes, have all requirements/restrictions associated with the federal funding been incorporated into this solicitation and the specifications? Yes No

Description of Services:

Indiana received \$10.9M in funding from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) through the 21st Century Cures Act to support initiatives that address our states opioid epidemic. One of the required goals for the SAMHSA application includes a need for more provider opioid use disorder (OUD) education and medication assisted treatment (MAT). SAMHSA approved Indiana's plan to address this goal through Project ECHO- Extension for Community Healthcare Outcomes. This goal is based on the need for expanded healthcare provider education and MAT training, especially in underserved areas and is expected measurably to increase the number of OUD prevention and treatment providers trained.

Scope of Work:

DMHA is seeking an entity to manage the logistics and execution of Indiana's Project ECHO. Once selected, this agency will be responsible for following the Project ECHO Replication Steps. These steps include attending ECHO Orientation in Albuquerque, New Mexico (offered monthly), attending further ECHO immersion experiences in New Mexico to learn about curriculum development, managing IT resources and architecture, and designing evaluation protocols, in addition to other content. Per recommendations from the ECHO Institute, this agency will also work with DMHA to recruit participants, develop branding and participation incentives for community members, advertise the opportunity, develop standardized processes, set up an IT infrastructure and hold test clinics, develop an evaluation strategy (not for the overall grant project, but specific to

¹ If available, please attach a copy of the agreement that memorializes the source of these federal funds.



Project ECHO as part of continuous quality improvement), and execute continuous quality improvement activities.

Estimated Annual Contract Cost: \$300,000

Estimated Initial Contract Length: Eight Months

Contract Effective Date: 09/01/17

Previous RFP (or BAA) number: N/A

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