Request for Clarification and Response

1. May contracts be set up to bill ABPP directly for each service per client or can contracts be set up so that vendors bill the DMH through an existing arrangement with DMH and offset costs billed to ABPP based on the amounts drawn down from DMH?

   Contracts can be set up either way. If vendors have established arrangements with DMH that would permit them to draw down from DMH and bill remaining costs to ABPP, vendors are encouraged to use that arrangement and reflect the same in their proposal.

2. On page 3, the requirement for DMH certification states Vendors must provide evidence with proposals. Will the proof of orientation suffice in the response to allow Vendors to then pursue certification based on awards and be fully certified upon contract agreement?

   Yes, for vendors who are not yet certified, ABPP requests that documentation of existing certification progress be provided and a plan detailed for achieving certification before services would be provided under an executed contract.

3. Do we have to bid on all five or choose which we would like to bid?

   Vendors may submit proposals for one site, multiple sites, or all sites.

4. Do we have to provide five different responses for each location or can we explain the staffing for each location within the body of one response with the same services?

   Vendors may address all sites in one proposal, so long as it is clear which sites the proposal is for.

5. If we have the capability to provide MAT at the center with appropriate confidentiality in place with a licensed medical professional to provide services can this be considered?

   Yes, specific terms will be negotiated upon the award of (a) contract(s).

6. We are also able to provide telemedicine for psychiatric and mental health services, will this be considered?

   Yes, but the scope of this contract will not cover medication prescribed through the process.

7. Is there a certain staffing pattern the Board is looking for? For example, two counselors, employment specialists, case manager etc...?

   No, as long as the requirements of DMH are met. The ABPP wants proposals to address the ideal staffing ratios to optimally perform requested services.

8. Is there a certain Budget CAP in mind for each site or overall that the Board would share with providers?

   This question was previously answered, please check the Board’s website.
9. Are their current providers in these locations providing the services requested? If so, can you provide a list of the providers?

   The DMH should be contacted for an official list of certified providers in each area.

10. When is the expected start date for each location?

   This question was previously answered, please check the Board’s website.

11. Is the expectation to have services Monday through Friday with some services Saturday or Monday through Friday with evening services?

   M-F with evenings, but Saturdays as needed.