

FY16-17 Senior In-Home Services Request for Proposals – Amendment 2
Responses for Inquires Received through the March 2, 2015 Deadline for Written Inquiries
Deadline for Proposals: March 11, 2014

Questions and Answers:

Section 2.03:

Question #1: The new RFP states that HCBW provider certification must be obtained or maintained by agencies that provide "Medicaid reimbursable services."

It sounds like an agency that provides case management under the grant, and does not provide waiver services or bill Medicaid for anything else, would need to provide assurance of compliance with the Provider Conditions of Participation, but would NOT be required to be certified as an HCBW provider. Is that correct?

Answer #1: Yes, however, all applicants who intend to apply to provide services under this grant must be certified as a Waiver provider for the same or similar services proposed **or**, as it states in Section 2.03, under the heading Quality Assurance Requirements for Grantee Service Providers, item #2: "Applicants providing Medicaid reimbursable services, who do not have a Medicaid provider number, and do not intend to obtain one, **must include a request for exemption from the Medicaid requirement with their proposal.**"

Question #2: We also subcontract Chore and Respite services with an agency that separately maintains HCBW provider certification. However, if our subcontractor provided these services under the grant and NOT under the waiver (and therefore only to clients who are not waiver-eligible), do I understand correctly that the subcontractor also would not be required to maintain HCBW certification, as they would only be providing services not reimbursable by Medicaid?"

Answer #2: Any agency providing services under the grant must be certified as a Waiver provider for the same or similar services or must include a request for exemption from the Medicaid requirement with their proposal.

The exemption for Waiver certification will only be approved if certification for an agency is not feasible or would create a hardship because of limited resources.

Subcontractors paid from grant money¹ are subject to the same compliance requirements that apply to the grantee, and that the grantee is administratively and financially responsible for the activity and the performance of the subcontractor. Please also refer to Question and Answer #8 in Amendment 1 to the Request for Proposals, and 7 AAC 78.180 for additional information regarding subcontracting.

¹ 7AAC 78.950 (18) "grant money" means the money provided in a grant award, including any match described in the grant agreement