

## STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES

The Department of Children, Youth, and Families contemplates awarding a sole source contract to Northwest Center Kids IMPACT to is to offer a comprehensive professional development program that is dedicated to supporting early learning providers in creating inclusive environments where children of all abilities can thrive. Through consultation, training, resources, and ongoing support, equipping providers with the necessary skills and knowledge to effectively care for and educate children with disabilities, developmental delays, or challenging behaviors.

Northwest Center Kids IMPACT (the Inclusion Mentorship Program for increasing Access in Childcare Team) is an innovative, community-driven model, that provides professional development and coaching to early learning providers to offer inclusive environments where children of all abilities are not only welcome but thrive in the classroom.

Northwest Center Kids IMPACT builds on over 55 years of experience of Northwest Center offering high quality inclusive early learning programming and early intervention services. IMPACT launched in 2018 in King County, Washington and in five years has trained over 9,000 providers and reached over 65,000 children. IMPACT services are strengths-based, disability and racial equity focused, trauma-informed, and rooted in infant and early childhood mental health.

The contract will be issued on or about November 8, 2024. The dollar value is estimated at \$650,000 for work required during the period ending June 30, 2025. The term of this Contract may be extended by five (5) additional one (1) year term, provided the extension shall be at the sole option of DCYF. DCYF determines that each optional additional one-year extension would result in equal (and/or slightly higher) consideration being added to the total contract value.

Offerors contemplating the above requirements are required to submit capability statements detailing their ability to meet the state's requirements by November 1, 2024.

Vendor capability statements should address how they are qualified and capable of performing the following requirements:

- Please provide proof your organization is a nonprofit organization that implements an inclusion mentorship program for child care and early learning providers.
- Provide detailed information on your organizations mentorship program, documenting how it provides early learning providers with the necessary skills and knowledge to effectively care for and educate children with disabilities, developmental delays, or challenging behaviors.

In the absence of other qualified sources, it is the state's intent to make a sole source award of the Contract.

To submit capability statements or for questions, contact:

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