



STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES

The Department of Children, Youth, and Families contemplates awarding a sole source contract to Children's Home Society of Washington to provide support to the sub-region agencies that are delivering Filming Interactions to Nurture Development by providing training, consultation and technology supports and equipment to coaches; editing of FIND films for use during FIND coaching; to develop training materials and deliver training to coaches; to deliver coach certification training and reflective practice to birth to three quality initiative coaches; to work collaboratively with the Stanford FIND team with regard to research and further development of the FIND-DCYF model

Children's Home Society of Washington (DbA AKIN) is the only in state organization certified to deliver FIND training to coaches working directly with center and family-based child care and video editors. Stanford Center for Early Education, the research university that holds the continuing research on the FIND program only authorizes this contractor to determine the training protocols and have rigorously trained and continue to certify the contractor to perform editing of films, to enhance and develop training for coaches supporting child care providers in their delivery of FIND to the fidelity of the evidence based model. This is key to the research that Stanford is conducting on the efficacy of the FIND model of interventions across systems as an evidence-based strategy to ensure the success and evolution of the FIND program. The FIND team and Akin meet monthly to provide mutual support and bi-directional feedback on program training, implementation and materials. This partnership has been instrumental in maintaining the integrity and effectiveness of the FIND program as well as continuous program improvement to meet emerging needs and enhance child care quality for infant and toddler teachers engaged in the state Quality Rating and Improvement System.

DCYF will enter into a contract with Children's Home Society of Washington. The contract will be issued on or after August 1, 2024 and will continue until June 30, 2025. The cost of this contract is \$555,876. The term of this contract may be extended by Five (5) additional One (1) year terms, 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 within ten (10) working days of this announcement.

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

- Proof the organization is certified by the FIND team at Stanford University to deliver FIND training and consultation.
- All the organization trainers have completed Stanford's four-step training and certification process.

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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