

DCFS Responses to Written Inquiries on the Alternative to Abortion Initiative RFP

- 1) Can contractor(s)/subcontractor(s) have a working relationship with an organization that **counsels [sic] or refers for abortion?**

Page 3 of the request for proposals (RFP) states: "Those eligible to apply shall be local or statewide or quasi-public agencies, nonprofit (meeting the requirements of nonprofit status as determined by the IRS) and for profit organizations, including faith-based or other charitable organizations whose mission and service delivery is consistent with providing abortion alternatives and promoting healthy and full term pregnancy."

- 2) Should the document be formatted for legal paper?

Letter size is the recommended paper size for submitted proposals.

- 3) Is the certified Board Resolution required [sic] a notarized Board Resolution?

Board Resolutions do not have to be notarized.

- 4) Should the proposer's ATA application not reflect any previous year's awards? It [sic] the past DCFS has request [sic] that all information be removed from the application.

Information on previous contracts awarded to the proposer is not required for this RFP.

- 5) How long following the birth of the baby can services be provided as page 1 of the instructions indicates "Other support includes information, education, and referrals for other services for the needs of women and newborn"

Page 1 of Attachment I of the RFP states: "All of the program services shall be provided free to women from the moment they think they may be pregnant through childbirth." Referrals from Alternatives to Abortion (ATA) providers after childbirth should be to other appropriate service providers.

- 6) Should the application reflect a pro-rated budget for the \$1,260.00 [sic] award available?

Budgets should not be pro-rated. Also, there is approximately \$1,260,000.00 in Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) funds available for this initiative.

- 7) For pregnant minors, must parent's income be used in determining eligibility for services or can minor's personal income be used in determining eligibility?

The pregnant minor's family income is used in determining TANF eligibility.

- 8) Can Louisiana undocumented immigrants receive services under this funding?

No, undocumented immigrants are not eligible for services in this initiative.

- 9) Must proposer have a physical presence in the area of proposed targeted service delivery if proposer has a history of reaching clients who reside in communities throughout the state by using there [sic] provider locations?

Proposer's must have a local representation or demonstrate the ability to secure local facilities that are safe and adequate for service delivery.