



## JUSTIFICATION AND APPROVAL FOR ALLOWING AWARD OF CONTRACT WITHOUT COMPETITION

(Section A must be completed by the User Department and then submitted to the Department of Purchasing & Contract Compliance)

### SECTION A

**Department:** *Superior Court Administration*

**Department Contact:** *David Summerlin*

**Description of Supplies/Services:** Georgia Mental Health Consumer Network (GMHCN) will support the efforts of Fulton County's Accountability Court through the provision of forensic peer mentor support services to the participants of Accountability Court's Behavioral Health Treatment Court (BHTC).

#### **Demonstration of Contractor's Unique Qualifications:**

#### **Category for basis of award of a contract without competition**

The Georgia Mental Health Consumer Network is uniquely qualified to provide Forensic Peer Mentor Support for a mental health program involving participants with justice system involvement and history. The success of this partnership is dependent upon GMHCN's unique position as the developers and providers of the Ready4Reentry Forensic Peer Mentor Training in Georgia. As such, GMHCN stands alone in the provision of training and supervision to forensic peers as the developers of the only forensic peer certification program in the State of Georgia.

GMHCN's Georgia Forensic Peer Mentoring Project, established in 2015, provides support, linkage, and care coordination to promote the successful community reintegration of adults with behavioral health diagnoses returning to the community following incarceration. The GMHCN is the sole provider of Forensic Peer Mentors at 5 state correctional facility and 4 Georgia Day Reporting Centers.

Forensic peer mentoring is a unique qualification that incorporates life experience with the criminal justice system in addition to mental health/substance use life experience.

*(Section B must be completed by the Department of Purchasing & Contract Compliance)*

**SECTION B**

**MARKET SURVEY**

**Results of Market Survey** No responses were received

**Date Public Notice posted on website:** July 14, 2021

**Date Public Notice closed:** July 21, 2021

**REVIEW OF OFFER(S)**

**Were any offers received (Y/N):** No

**Number of offers received:** None

**Respondents:** None

**Date Offers submitted to User Department for review:** July 21, 2021

**User Department review and recommendation:** *We recommend that you award without competition as advertising did not yield a response to suggest that another suitable vendor is available to perform these services.*

**Purchasing Agent review and recommendation:** Purchasing concurs with the user department

## CERTIFICATION

Having conducted a good faith review of source availability regarding the materials, goods and or services stipulated herein, subsequent to consultation with the County Manager and the recommendation of the User Department, it has been determined that there is only one source available for the required work, labor or service to be done or the supplies, materials, or equipment to be furnished pursuant to the Fulton County Code of Ordinances §102-384, Award without Competition.

I, Felicia Strong-Whitaker, Director, certify that the facts and representations under my cognizance which are included in this justification and its supporting documentation which form the basis for this justification are complete and accurate.

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Felicia Strong-Whitaker  
Director

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Date

I, Dick Anderson, County Manager, certify that the facts and representations under my cognizance which are included in this justification and its supporting documentation which form the basis for this justification are complete and accurate.

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Dick Anderson  
County Manager

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Date