North Los Angeles County Regional Center



Summer/Fall 2024 Request for Vendorization (RFV)

PROJECT #8: Adaptive Skills Trainer (605)RELEASE DATE: August 19, 2024DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: September 29, 2024, 11:59 p.m. (PDT)

PROJECT OVERVIEW

North Los Angeles County Regional Center (NLACRC) is releasing this Request for Vendorization (RFV) to seek qualified and experienced Adaptive Skills Trainers to support school-age children, adolescents, and adults who qualify for regional center services and who have been identified as requiring assistance with enhancing existing skills and or mitigating skill deficits in communication, social function or other related skill areas. Services focus on teaching the individuals functional skills leading to increased independence. For children under the age of 18, caregivers are simultaneously taught the skills and how to effectively teach the individual receiving services, so that they will be able to independently continue the teaching after the service ends. It is expected that both of these goals – the child's acquisition of skills and the caregivers' ability to teach and maintain the independent performance of those skills – will be accomplished by the end of the service interval. All Adaptive Skills providers must meet regulatory requirements for vendorization under Service Code 605, Adaptive Skills Training (Title 17, §54342(a)(3)).

INDIVIDUALS TO BE SERVED

Adaptive Skills Training is provided for children age 6 - 18 (or 22 if still in high school) and their parent(s), as well as adults.

LOCATION & LANGUAGE SPECIFIC

NLACRC is seeking Adaptive Skills Trainers to serve individuals within the Antelope Valley. In addition to English, services should be provided/offered in at least 1-3 other languages.

| American Sign Language (ASL) | Khmer |
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| Arabic | Korean |
| Armenian | Pashto |
| Chinese – Cantonese | Persian (Farsi) |
| Chinese – Hakka | ProTactile |
| Chinese – Mandarin | Russian |
| Chinese – Other | Spanish or Spanish Creole |
| Hebrew | Tagalog |
| Hindi | Vietnamese |
| Japanese | Other |

PROPOSED MODELS OF SERVICE

Adaptive Skills Training services will be delivered at a 1:1, and or group (1:2, 1:3+) therapist-to-participant ratio in the home and natural environment of the individual being served.

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MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS FOR APPLICANTS

An Adaptive Skills Trainer must possess the skills, training and education necessary to enhance existing consumer skills. An Adaptive Skills Trainer may also remedy consumer skill deficits in communication, social function or other related skill areas and shall meet the following requirements per Title 17, Section 54342(a)(3):

(A) Possess a Master's Degree in one of the following: education, psychology, counseling, nursing, social work, applied behavior analysis, behavioral medicine, speech and language, or rehabilitation; and (B) Have at least one year of experience in the design and implementation of Adaptive Skills Training plans.

RATE OF REIMBURSEMENT

This service is funded at Statewide Median Rate. The current Statewide Median Rate NLACRC is able to access for Adaptive Skills Training is \$92.50 (1:1) per hour, \$47.88 (1:2) per hour, \$91.03 (1:3) per hour, \$102.04 (Assessment) per hour.

ADMISSION CRITERIA

Applicants should design a program that is equipped to meet the specialized needs of consumers whose diagnoses are likely to include the following:

- Mild to moderate levels of cognitive deficit
- Autism and Autism Spectrum Disorders
- Seizure Disorders
- Mental Illness/Psychiatric Diagnosis
- Need for assistance with some or all aspects of social engagement in the community.
- Non-ambulatory with mild to severe mobility challenges.

CLOSING DATE

September 29, 2024, 11:59 p.m. (PDT)