



The Coalition for Family & Children's Services in Iowa is pleased to host an opportunity for all Child Welfare/Juvenile Justice Providers to provide input into the RFP and prepare a list to share with DHS of what we would like to see as part of the upcoming procurement

**LOCATION: Youth Homes of Mid-America
7085 NW Beaver Dr, Johnston, IA 50131**

Wednesday, April 20th

10:00 – 11:00

Rate Setting

- Understanding what the true costs are: Look at it in “3 buckets”
 - Place to Live
 - Services & Supports
 - Therapeutic/MH Services (Medicaid?)

11:15 – 12:15

Capacity Needs

- Request from DHS: Data by current DHS Service area regarding the numbers and demographics of kids using Foster Group Care, CWES/Shelter, and SAL.
- Conducting a survey to help providers learn more in depth of what other agencies provide and are capable of providing?

1:00 – 2:00

- **Staff Training and Development**
- **Staff Qualifications**
 - Formal Education – degree
 - Experience
 - Training

2:15 – 3:15

Kinds of organizations who should be eligible for a contract

3:30 – 4:30

- **Proposals**
 - Criteria for scoring of proposals
 - Who will score proposals
- **Procurement Time Table**
 - Can there be an extended implementation time line due to geographic organization/nature of the reorganized services?



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Identify regulatory issues that create impediments to desired outcomes

- What licensing changes need to happen?
- Are there any other changes that might need to happen across systems?
- Accreditation has service specific standards and this is several services in one package. How does that work?

9:45 – 10:45

How geographical regions or areas are determined

11:00 – 12:00

Role Delineation

1:00 – 2:00

Role of Lead Agencies

2:15 – 3:15

Clinical Issues

- Assessment tools - CANS vs TOPS or others
- Specific services to be provided



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System Barriers:

This is an opportunity to provide input on other barriers that are standing in the way of success outside the RFP scope. (i.e. other rules, current contract language in other contracts like FSRP, other policies that are potentially problematic). These are the issues OUTSIDE the RFP providers want DHS to know about.

12:30 – 2:30

Universal Practices

This will be a discussion on what universal practices we should identify as part of the *guiding principles/policies and outcomes* that have already been developed - these should be universal practices that can be deployed by other systems that can then take the identified practice and interpret it into their own system