



Suspension of Competition Acquisition Request

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1. Fully describe the product(s) and/or service(s) being requested.

The University of Cincinnati Corrections Institute (UCCI), working as a sub-contractor of the University of Cincinnati Research Institute (UCRI), will work with Fresno County Probation to expand and improve the delivery of evidence-based programming in the Juvenile Hall in the following ways:

1. Enhance the contingency/behavioral management system.
2. Improve consistency of the contingency/behavioral management system through training, coaching and quality assurance.
3. Enhance staff use of core correctional practices through training, coaching, and quality assurance.

The following deliverables will be provided: Initial onsite visit • Establishment of Multidisciplinary Implementation Team (MIT) • Training on Core Correctional Practices (CCP) • Training on Choices • A Behavioral Management System (BMS) based on CCP (Incentive and Sanction portions) • Establishment Pilot pod(s) • Development of training protocol for new BMS • Development of protocol to comply with SB 1143 • MIT meetings • Onsite coaching • Offsite technical assistance

UCCI will work with Fresno County Probation to expand and improve the delivery of evidence-based programming in Adult/AB 109 and Juvenile Supervision Field Services in the following ways:

Training - Effective Practices in Community Supervision (EPICS); End User Protocol; Technical Assistance; Multidisciplinary Implementation Team (MIT); Coaching for Skill Development. UCCI will provide expert recommendations and guidance on evidence-based tools and processes to support more effective practices.

2. Identify the selected vendor and contact person; include the address, phone number and e-mail address for each.

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3. What is the total cost of the acquisition? If an agreement, state the total cost of the initial term and the amounts for potential renewal terms.

\$278,500 - This flat rate cost is inclusive of all staff salaries/benefits, travel accommodations/expenses, training material production/shipment, and administrative costs.

The \$278,500 would be for a three year agreement with no extensions.

4. Identify the unique qualities and/or capabilities of the service(s) and/or product(s) that qualify this as a Suspension of Competition acquisition.

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5. Identify from Administrative Policy #34 what circumstances constitute a Suspension of Competition.

- ☐ In an emergency when goods or services are immediately necessary for the preservation of the public health, welfare, or safety, or for the protection of County property.
- ☐ When the contract is with a federal, state, or local governmental agency.
- ☐ When the department head, with the concurrence of the Purchasing Agent, finds that the cost of preparing and administering a competitive bidding process in a particular case will equal or exceed the estimated contract amount or \$2,500 whichever is more.
- ☐ When a contract provides only for payment of per diem and travel expenses and there is to be no payment for services rendered.
- ☐ When obtaining the services of expert witnesses for litigation or special counsel to assist the County.
- ☒ When in unusual or extraordinary circumstances, the Board of Supervisors or the Purchasing Agent/Purchasing Manager determines that the best interests of the County would be served by not securing competitive bids or issuing a request for proposal.

6. Explain why the unique qualities and/or capabilities described above are essential to your department.

UCCI has impacted corrections agencies and organizations from California to Maine, and has conducted and implemented research in all 50 states. UCCI work also spans international borders to Scotland, Singapore, and New Zealand.

Serving both for profit and non-profit agencies, UCCI provides services for federal, state, local, and international governments as well as professional organizations to promote effective interventions for adult and juvenile offenders. As a Director and Professor at the University of Cincinnati, School of Criminal Justice, Dr. Latessa has published over 170 works in the area of criminal justice, corrections, and juvenile justice. He is co-author of eight books including What Works (and Doesn't) in Reducing Recidivism, Corrections in the Community, and Corrections in America. Professor Latessa has directed over 195 funded research projects including studies of day reporting centers, juvenile justice programs, drug courts, prison programs, intensive supervision programs, halfway houses, and drug programs. He and his staff have also assessed over 1,000 correctional programs throughout the United States, and he has provided assistance and workshops in forty-eight states.

In 2013 he was identified as one of the most innovative people in criminal justice by a national survey conducted by the Center for Court Innovation in partnership with the Bureau of Justice Assistance and the U.S. Department of Justice.

Dr. Latessa and UCCI have contracted and completed assessments with many different Probation Departments in California, determining each unique agency's level of implementation and effectiveness when using Evidence Based Practices (EBP). He has further consulted and provided workshops for Probation Departments up and down the state.

7. Provide a comprehensive explanation of the research done to verify that the recommended vendor is the only vendor with the unique qualities and/or capabilities stated above. Include a list of all other vendors contacted, what they were asked, and their responses.

In researching Evidence Based Practices and experts in the field of training and implementation of EBP, UCCI and Dr. Latessa's name is regularly mentioned in publications, on the internet, and amongst professionals within the field of corrections. In an effort to show due diligence, the Probation Department contacted the California Association of Probation Services Administrators (CAPSA) and the Central California Training Officers' Association (CCTOA), both of which are affiliates of Chief Probation Officers of California (CPOC); and both associations agreed, that Dr. Latessa is "the expert" in this field and could not recommend anyone or institute that they felt was more qualified or experienced.

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Requested By:

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I approve this request to suspend competition for the service(s) and/or product(s) identified herein.

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