

## FALL 2013 REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS FROM THE INFORMATION CONFERENCE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 25, 2013

Q: Who reviews the proposals?

A: TCRC utilizes an interdisciplinary team to review proposals. The team is comprised of TCRC Services and Supports Managers, Quality Assurance, clinicians (if applicable), and Resource Development.

Q: Do applicants need to reside in the city where the home is located?

A: No, but keep in mind that regulations require the administrator to be on-site a minimum of twenty hours per week.

Q: If I am awarded the RFP, how long do I have to locate and secure the property?

A: We are asking that the property be secured within 45 days of being awarded the RFP.

Q: Do Level 4i homes represent the highest level of care needs?

A: Level 4i homes are the highest level in the Adult Residential Facility model. Services levels that TCRC vendors range from Level 2 to Level 4i, with the 4i representing individuals who require the most support. However, the regional center also develops specialized group homes to provide services and support to individuals with needs greater or more specialized than a typical group home can provide. These homes are usually developed by our Community Placement Plan (CPP) team.

Q: My work experience in this field is based on employment many years ago. Will this still count towards the minimum experience requirement?

A: Yes.

Q: How is previous experience weighted in terms of scoring my proposal?

A: Except to the extent experience is specifically stated as a requirement, experience is not a scoring category per se. In the event two providers received the same score, experience could be considered as a tie-breaker if only one project was being awarded.

Q: Are the scoring sheets published?

A: No.

- Q: How do we know who is awarded the RFP?A: This information will be published on our website: www.tri-counties.org
- Q: How many bathrooms are required?
   A: TCRC considers it to be a best practice to have two bathroom for use by individuals and staff. If staff live in the home, an additional bathroom is required.
- Q: If I am not awarded the RFP, can I contact the regional center to determine why so I may have the opportunity to improve for future RFPs?A: Yes, you may contact us.
- Q: If I am not awarded this RFP, may I submit for future RFPs? A: Yes.
- Q: Why doesn't the regional center release RFPs for Intermediate Care Facilities (ICFs)?A: ICFs are funded by Medi-Cal and are not directly vendored by regional centers.