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TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Sherlita Amler, MD
Commissioner of Health

DATE: January 27, 2020

RE: Authorization for the County of Westchester to Enter into Agreements with Approved Related Services Providers, Pursuant to Section 4410, Part 200 of the New York State Education Law, for the Period July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2025, in the total aggregate amount not to exceed \$86,217,672 subject to annual County appropriations, with each Provider to be reimbursed at rates established by the County and accepted by the New York State Education Department to ensure that Providers are paid at the established rates and that the County is reimbursed for state aid

Under Section 4410, Part 200 of the New York State Education Law, counties are mandated to maintain a list of providers who are able to provide Related Services (RS) to children three to five years of age who have been identified as having handicapping conditions by their school district. These services are delivered by providers who are licensed and/or certified by the New York State Education Department and may include, but are not limited to, speech/language therapy, occupational therapy, physical therapy, social work, audiology, assistive technology services, special education services for children who are visually impaired and/or hearing impaired and paraprofessional services. Each of these providers would be reimbursed at rates established by the County and accepted by the New York State Education Department to ensure that Providers are paid at the established rates and that the County is reimbursed for state aid.

Agreements with these approved and licensed Related Services providers, which include agencies and individuals, are exempt from the Westchester County Procurement Policy under Section 3(a) viii and 3 (a) ix.

Authority is hereby requested for the County of Westchester to enter into agreements with these Related Services providers, as listed on the Attachment, pursuant to Section 4410, Part 200 of the New York State Education Law, for the period from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2025, in the total aggregate amount not to exceed \$86,217,672; subject to annual County appropriations, with each Provider to be reimbursed at rates established by the County and accepted by the New York State Education Department to ensure that Providers are paid at the established rates and that the County is reimbursed for state aid. The first period's annualized not-to-exceed amount is approximately \$16,239,493 subject to increases in subsequent annual funding periods.

These agreements will promote the public health, safety and welfare of Westchester County's children with special needs by enabling their daily participation in special needs programs and other community settings that typically developing children attend. On an annual basis, approximately 3,000 children are served by the Related Services programs. In 2019 approximately 2,600 children were served.

The goals and objectives of these programs are to:

- Provide appropriate services to children from three to five years of age with developmental disabilities and/or delays in accordance with their approved individualized Education Plan (IEP).
- Provide these services in the student's least restrictive setting.

Providers will be monitored, as per their contract requirements and the Health Department's performance measurement indicators, for the provision of services through program site visits and review of their clinical session and progress reports, and accuracy of billing by monthly reviews of submitted documentation.

An appropriate resolution has been attached herewith for your Board's consideration and approval.

SA/MY/dc
Attachments

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACTS - 12/27/2019 - LISA MARIJAJ, SECRETARY

RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Commissioner of Health, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester ("County") is authorized to enter into agreements with approved and licensed Related Services Providers as listed on the Attachment, pursuant to Section 4410, Part 200 of the New York State Education Law, for the period from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2025, with each Provider to be reimbursed at rates established by the County and accepted by the New York State Education Department to ensure that Providers are paid at the established rates and that the County is reimbursed for state aid; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the total aggregate amount of these Agreements shall not exceed \$86,217,672; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that each of these agreements is subject to annual County appropriations; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that these Agreements are also subject to further financial analysis of the impact of any New York State Budget (the "State Budget") proposed and adopted during the term of these Agreements. The County shall retain the right, upon the occurrence of any release by the Governor of a proposed State Budget and/or the adoption of a State Budget or any amendments thereto, and for a reasonable period of time after such release(s) or adoption(s), to conduct any analysis of the impacts of any such State Budget on County finances. After such analysis, the County shall retain the right to either terminate these Agreements or to renegotiate the amounts and rates approved herein. If the County subsequently offers to pay a reduced amount to the Contractors, then the Contractors shall have the right to terminate these Agreements upon reasonable prior written notice; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or his duly authorized designee be and hereby is authorized and empowered to execute and deliver all instruments and to take all actions necessary or appropriate to accomplish the purpose of this resolutions.

Department of Health
County of Westchester
10 County Center Road, 2nd Floor
White Plains, New York 10607
January 27, 2020

Original Agreement	\$
First Amendment	\$
This Amendment	\$ _____
TOTAL	\$

Agreement #

Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase or Unit	Object/ Sub-Object	Trust Account	Dollars
101	27	2700	4535		\$7,999,750 (2020 - 6 mos)
101	27	2700	4535		\$16,479,485 (2021)
101	27	2700	4535		\$16,973,870 (2022)
101	27	2700	4535		\$17,483,086 (2023)
101	27	2700	4535		\$18,007,578 (2024)
101	27	2700	4535		\$ 9,273,903 (2025- 6 mos)

Budget Funding Year(s)
(must match resolution) 2020-2025 Start Date 7/1/20 End Date 6/30/25

Funding Source	Tax Dollars	39%	\$33,624,892
	State Aid	58%	\$ 50,006,250
	Insurance		
\$86,217,672	Medicaid	3%	\$ 2,586,530
(must match resolution)			

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ATTACHMENT

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AGENCIES

A & T Healthcare, LLC
ACDS, Inc.
Acorn Therapy of New York, Inc.
Alcott School
AlliedMedix Resources Inc.
ALM Speech Therapy PLLC
Alternative Care Systems, Inc. d/b/a Access Nursing Services
Applied Behavior Analysis Corp. d.b.a. Fred S. Keller School
Avaling Hands Occupational Therapy PLLC
Bayada Home Health Care, Inc.
Bilinguals, Inc. dba Achieve Beyond
Blythedale Children's Hospital
Bronxville Center for Language and Learning
Carolyn M. Machonis, OT, PLLC dba Milestones for Munchkins
Center for Autism and Related Disorders, LLC
Center for Hearing and Communication
Center for Visual Management LLC, The
Cerebral Palsy of Westchester, Inc.
CHILD Education of Westchester LLC
Clarke School for the Deaf d/b/a Clarke School - New York
Complete Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy and Speech Language Pathology Services, PLLC
Create Abilities of N.Y. Occupational Therapy PLLC
Creative Wonders OT, PT, SLP, PLLC
Dana's Occupational Therapy Services PLLC
Developmental Delay Rehabilitation Services, Inc.
Dynamic Kids, Inc.
Easter Seals New York, Inc.
Family Services of Westchester, Inc.
First Step Services, Inc.
Greenburgh Central School District #7
Guidance Center of Westchester, Inc., The
Hawthorne Foundation, Inc.
Healing Therapeutics Physical Therapy, PLLC
Hebrew Academy for Special Children, Inc.
HTA of New York, Inc.
Ivy Tilson, Inc.
JCC of Mid-Westchester Nursery School
John A. Coleman School
John A. Coleman School dba Elizabeth Seton Children's School
Julia Dyckman Andrus Memorial, Inc.
K.D. Speech Pathology, P.C.
Kings Education Services, O.T., R.P.N., P.T., S.L.P., PLLC
Legendary Speech Pathology PLLC
Listening Partners, Inc.
Los Ninos Services, Inc.
Lower West Side Household Services Corp.
Maxim of New York, LLC
Mid Island Therapy Associates, LLC d.b.a. All About Kids
Mount Vernon Neighborhood Health Center, Inc.

Oasis Learning, Inc.
Occupational Therapy Services of Westchester, P.C. dba Westchester Occupational Therapy Associates
OT Kids Plus, LLC
OT Plus of NY: OT, PT and Speech Services, PLLC
OT, PT, SLP, and RN, PLLC
Paxxon Healthcare Services, LLC
PearlCare Search Group, LLC
Phelps Memorial Hospital Association
Play And Grow Physical Therapy and Speech Language Pathology, PLLC
Professional Placement Resources, LLC
Programs for Little Learners, LLC
NYSARC, Inc., Putnam County Chapter d/b/a Putnam Associated Resource Centers (PARC)
NYSARC, Inc. Ulster, Greene, Putnam Counties Chapter, dba The ARC Mid-Hudson
R.G. Heath Corporation, The d.b.a. Northern Westchester Center for Speech Disorders
Richard Madison Associates, Inc.
Rye Child and Adolescent Center for Speech Language and Literacy
Rye Therapies of OT, PT & SLP, PLLC
Salveo Healthcare Solutions, Inc.
Smile A While Occupational Therapy Services PLLC
Sound Speech and Language Pathology, P.C
Sprout Therapy Group - Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech and Language Pathology, LLC
Summit Occupational Therapy Services, PLLC
Sunshine RN, PT, OT, SLP and Psychology, PLLC
TheraCare Preschool Services, Inc.
Union Child Day Care Center, Inc. d/b/a Lois Bronz Children's Center
United Cerebral Palsy Association of Putnam and Southern Dutchess Counties, Inc.
Westchester Community Opportunity Program, Inc.
Westchester County Chapter NYSARC, Inc.
Westchester Institute for Human Development
Westchester OT/PT, PLLC
Westchester-Putnam TheraTeam, LLC
Westchester Speech and Language Services, PLLC
Westchester Therapy Solutions – Occupational, Physical and Speech Therapy, PLLC

SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Ardasley UFSD
Bedford Central School District
Blindbrook-Rye UFSD
Briarcliff Manor UFSD
Bronxville UFSD
Byram Hills Central School District
Chappaqua Central School District
City School District of New Rochelle
Croton Harmon School District
Dobbs Ferry UFSD
Eastchester UFSD
Edgemont UFSD
Elmsford UFSD
Harrison Central School District
Hastings-On-Hudson UFSD
Hendrick Hudson School District
Irvington UFSD
Katonah-Lewisboro UFSD
Lakeland Central School District
Mamaroneck Union Free School District
Mt. Pleasant-Blythedale UFSD
Mt. Pleasant Central School District
Mt. Vernon Public Schools
North Salem Central School District
Ossining UFSD
Peekskill City School District
Pelham UFSD
Pleasantville UFSD
Pocantico Hills Central S.D.
Port Chester-Rye UFSD
Putnam Valley Central School District
Rye City School District
Rye Neck UFSD
Scarsdale UFSD
Somers Central School District
Tarrytown UFSD
Tuckahoe UFSD
Valhalla UFSD
White Plains City School District
Yonkers Public Schools
Yorktown Central School District

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