

Children First Bidder Conference FY20 (Donnellson 3-13-19)

- All Children First funds are state general funds, no federal funds involved
- All funding applications must be submitted electronically to ginnylyn08@gmail.com as well as 12 hard copies to the Children First office at 307 Bank Street, Keokuk, IA received or postmarked by 4:00pm on 4/12/19.
- Helpful documents can be found on our website: www.childrenfirstempowerment.org
- Remember that impact and outcomes matter more than good intentions
- Discussion of the FY20 funding cycle will only take place within the public setting of the Bidder Conference in Donnellson at 9:30am on 3/13/19
- Children First is seeking new and innovative ideas for boosting the quality and capacity of child care

Discussion notes:

Cyndi asked about the structure of the application for CCNC since she is retiring 6/30/18. Chad and Ginger expressed that the application is still for the LCHD to provide CCNC services even if it is a different staff person.

Cyndi asked about the limit of two pages for goals and trend data. Ginger advised she choose the high points and provide trend data for each, perhaps in chart form. The board is familiar with the work so every detail does not need to be included.

Patty (VBPAT) asked about allowable trainings for their supervisor. Ginger advised that a program can apply for any trainings and the board would decide what they can fund.

Rachael asked about the "links to state results" and Ginger clarified this was asking to show a link, not an actual URL.

Liz asked if separate applications were needed for each of the Van Buren sites. Ginger said no, one combined application is sufficient.

Cheryl asked if the board had heard any new or innovative ideas for services needed.

Chad expressed a desire to find more resources for lead poisoning prevention and treatment. Ginger shared that the county health department has expressed the greatest need in that area is for nurse case management hours. Cyndi shared LCHD may not even have a lead grant next year, that it may be regionalized or a state level structure.

It was questioned that some scoring items do not apply to all programs. Ginger reminded that the policies state the score sheet is only one thing considered in decision making and that the board recognizes that not all items apply to all programs. gk