Contract:Special Education Services: Speech, Occupational and Physical Therapies,
Audiology, and Education of the Deaf/Hard-of-Hearing Using Sign LanguageContract #:MWE-857-14

Contract Ending Date: Term: 5 years **Extension:** 3 years 8/31/22 **Estimated contract authority:** \$ 20,000,000 **Board meeting date:** August 12, 2014 April 24, 2014 **Bid issued: Pre-bid meeting date:** May 6, 2014 June 5, 2014 **Due date:** No. of vendors issued to: 44 No. of bids received: 26 No. of no-bids received: 0

Description:

This contract consists of providing audiology testing and speech, occupational, and physical therapies. The contract also provides for education of the deaf or hard-of-hearing using sign language. All services are for students from birth to age 21. Employment of staff from contracted companies is contingent upon the need for services and the availability of BCPS staff to provide the services. This contract replaces PCR-237-09 that expired July 31, 2014. The solicitation allows for additional vendors to be included on the contract if needed.

Speech therapists provide screening, assessment, and treatment for direct and collaborative programming to assist school administrators as they move toward an inclusive classroom model. Therapists also develop individual education plans (IEPs) and individual family service plans (IFSPs) for infants and toddlers, and participate in admission, review, and dismissal (ARD) teams.

Physical and occupational therapists provide treatment and annual skill updating evaluations, assist in developing IEPs and IFSPs, and participate in ARD teams when appropriate.

This contract supports *Blueprint 2.0*: Goal 2, Safety and Security, Strategic Initiative B.

Recommendation:

Award of contract is recommended to:

360 Degree Customer, Inc. Arbor E&T dba Care Resources ARCH Therapeutic Associates CBS Therapy, Inc. Cell Staff, LLC Clarity Service Group Cobb Pediatric Therapy Services Communications Solutions, Inc. County Therapy Associates, LLC San Jose, CA Louisville, KY Bowie, MD Providence, RI Tampa, FL Towson, MD Kennesaw, GA Marriottsville, MD Whiteford, MD Cumberland Therapy Services, LLC Educational Based Services, Inc. Excel Professional Staffing, LLC Frankly Communicating, Inc. Invo Healthcare Associates, Inc. MANSEF, Inc. Mediscan, Inc. MTX Therapy Services Progressus Therapy, LLC ProvideaStaff, LLC Speech Rehab Services, LLC Staffing Options & Solutions, Inc. StaffRehab Sunbelt Staffing, LLC Supplemental Health Care The Hearing and Speech Agency The Maryland Therapy Network, Inc.

Responsible school or office:

Contact person:

Funding source:

Chicago, IL West Chester, PA Columbia, MD Westminster, MD Jamison, PA Towson, MD Woodland Hills, CA Tampa, FL Tampa, FL Huntersville, NC Boca Raton, FL Indianapolis, IN Newport Beach, CA Oldsmar, FL Atlanta, GA Baltimore, MD Belair, MD Department of Student Services

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Operating budget