

STATE OF HAWAII
NOTICE OF AND REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION
FROM CHAPTER 103F, HRS

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 STATE PROCUREMENT OFFICE
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To: Chief Procurement Officer

From: DOH/Adult Mental Health Division *aj*
Department/Division/Branch or Office

Pursuant to § 103F-101(a)(4), HRS, and Chapter 3-141, HAR, the Department requests a procurement exemption to purchase the following:

1.	Title and description of health and human service(s): Trauma Informed Care Initiative (TIC IT): Case Management Services The TIC IT Case Management service is a project to enhance and improve the Adult Mental Health Division's (AMHD) core service system of care and the infrastructure that supports those services. The proposed system of care will be built upon a network of providers who have an enhanced set of trauma management skills and, ultimately, will be facilitated and directed by trained and certified consumers. Past research suggests that between 70% and 98% of people who have severe and persistent mental illness (SPMI) have experienced trauma and Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD). The goals of this project are to apply a trauma informed perspective to the current system of care through enhancements in screening, assessment, and intervention; embed a recovery framework within the trauma informed system of care through the use of providers implementing Seeking Safety curriculum; and strengthen the trauma-informed care capacity of the Hawaii mental health system through education, recruitment, training, certification, and employment of AMHD consumers to provide evidence-based, trauma-informed peer-to-peer support. Seeking Safety is a present-focused therapy to help people attain safety from trauma/PTSD and substance abuse.
2.	Provider Name and Address: <p style="text-align: right;">Multiple. See Attached List.</p>
3.	Total Contract Funds: \$305,000 estimated Contract Funds per Year (if applicable):
4.	Reference number of Previous Request for this Service (if applicable):
5.	Term of Contract: <p style="text-align: right;">Start: Upon approval End: 12/31/11</p>

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6. Describe how procurement by competitive means is either not practicable or not advantageous to the State:

The AMHD was awarded a 5-year Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) grant to transform its public mental health services into an integrated, trauma-informed system of care. These are new, federal service funds which could be made available to existing AMHD consumers and providers immediately. Funding will be used to provide training and support to AMHD state-operated and purchase-of-service providers to use a trauma-informed care approach to enhance the quality and effectiveness of the screenings, assessments and treatment (including peer support services) they currently provide for AMHD consumers.

The AMHD has known for some time that our severely mentally ill (SMI) and SPMI consumers suffered from emotional trauma. Indeed, trauma-related symptoms (hyper-vigilance, triggering re-experiencing, etc) were often part of why SMI/SPMI consumers went into crisis. Past trauma has been linked with higher rates of co-occurring substance use disorders, relapse, and the use of costly mental health services such as hospitalization.

For the first year of the TIC IT project, AMHD would like to piggyback the service onto its existing community-based case management service contracts. The AMHD procured its community-based case management contracts through a competitive process (HTH 420-1-07) and has nine (9) case management contracts that provide many of the services that are required under the TIC IT: screening, assessment, and treatment, as well as related provider training. Competitive procurement is neither practical nor advantageous to the State because AMHD case management contract providers are working with the same targeted population, and already providing 80% of the work that is required under grant. Competitive procurement would also result in the duplication of effort and additional costs to the State and providers. In addition, it is clinically important to link mental health services under the existing contracts with the additional trauma services, so that care will not be fractured. By providing an enhancement to current case management service, the TIC IT project will be able to identify consumers who may need extra cognitive behavioral therapy because of trauma and the continuity of care would not be disrupted.

AMHD's current community-based case management services are scheduled to end on 6/30/11. However, AMHD is actively working to re-procure the case management service with the added trauma-informed perspective included in the service, and through the Hawaii Revised Statutes, Chapter 103F and Hawaii Administrative Rules for Chapter 103F, Section 3-141, Subchapter 6, and will extend the current contracts through at least 12/31/11. The additional time will enable the AMHD to execute new contracts and provide a transition for possible new case management providers.

In the new procurement for case management services, AMHD will include the provision of services in a trauma-informed system of care and a provision for federally funded projects, to enable the division to handle supplemental funded programs that enhance the proposed case management services. If AMHD continues to receive the remaining projected four (4) years of the SAMHSA grant, the funds shall be expended in alignment with the new services.

An exemption for the first year of the TIC IT project will enable the AMHD to apply a trauma informed perspective to the current system of care through enhancements in screening, assessment, and intervention; and strengthen Hawaii's mental health system through education, training, and certification. AMHD will contract with all AMHD contracted case management providers on Oahu to provide them with an opportunity to be trained in the specific screening, assessment and treatment practices. Providers that choose to participate would be given the opportunity to provide these enhanced, grant-funded services to their consumers. Direct case management services will be provided through 12/31/11.

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 _____ <i>Chief Procurement Officer Signature</i>		4/8/2011 _____ <i>Date</i>

Please ensure adherence to applicable administrative requirements.

Adult Mental Health Division
TIC IT Case Management Services Providers

CARE Hawaii, Inc. 606 Coral Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813	\$ 87,000
Community Empowerment Services 1110 University Avenue #411 Honolulu, Hawaii 96826	\$ 58,000
Helping Hands Hawaii 2100 N. Nimitz Highway Honolulu, Hawaii 96819	\$ 35,000
IHS, The Institute for Human Services 546 Kaaahi Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813	\$ 12,000
Kalihi-Palama Health Center 904 Kohou St., #307 Honolulu, Hawaii 96817	\$ 26,000
North Shore Mental Health, Inc. 56-119 Pualalea Street Kahuku, Hawaii 96731	\$ 87,000
Total funds - estimated	\$305,000