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Family Planning Services Request for Proposal

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The Department of State Health Services (DSHS), Family and Community Health Services Division, Community Health Services Section, Performance Management Unit (PMU) announces the expected availability of State Fiscal Year (FY) 2012 Family Planning (FP) funding to provide comprehensive family planning services to eligible clients in the following service areas only: Hidalgo, Lubbock, McLennan, Smith and Tarrant counties and Western Region 7. This Request for Proposal (RFP) is not limited to these sources of funding if other sources become available for these projects.

Family planning services are preventive health, medical, counseling, and educational services that assist low-income Texans to manage their fertility and achieve optimal reproductive and general health. Family planning funds are used to assist women and men in planning their families, whether it is to achieve, postpone, or prevent pregnancy. Family planning services include pregnancy testing (if indicated), gathering a health history, physical examinations, lab tests, providing counseling and education, and contraceptive supplies. Family planning services are supported by Title X and Title XX. Successful respondents who contract with DSHS will no longer be awarded specific types of funds or categorized by the type of funding they receive (eg. Title X contractor, Title XX contractor, etc.). All funds available for family planning contracts are now pooled to create one "DSHS Family Planning" funding source. Since the bulk of the funds that make up this one source of funding are Title X, ALL providers will be required to adhere to Title X guidelines regardless of whether the provider chooses to access their funds on a combined cost reimbursement/fee-for-service basis or only through fee-for-service.

The Family Planning Services Request for Proposal can be found at:
http://esbd.cpa.state.tx.us/bid_show.cfm?bidid=98453

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