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Memorandum

To: Maria Pitre-Martin, Chief Academic & Digital Learning Officer

From: William J. Hussey, Director

Subject: Intent to Contract
Requisition No. RQ20254609
(Required for Service Contracts Greater Than \$5,000)

Important Information: Approval of this Memorandum of Intent to Contract is required prior to initiating the contract process. It does not constitute a contract, nor does it imply that a contract will be approved. In that regard, please note that no contractor work can begin until a contract has been approved and signed by both parties. Signed contracts will be returned to the listed DPI Contract Contact Person by the DPI Purchasing and Contracts Section.

Instructions: The questions/information in this memorandum must be completed, and the appropriate approvals obtained prior to initiating a Request for Proposal (RFP) or any contract paperwork, including amendments. All appropriate requested questions and information must be answered and completed, or the form will be returned. If approved, the original memorandum will be forwarded to the Purchase and Contracts Section, and a copy will be returned to the division. If not approved, the original memorandum will be returned to the division.

1. Please complete the following information (If you will use competitive bidding, please insert a short name for the RFP or other bid instrument in the place for Contractor Name; for example: RFP for Parking Services, and do not complete the contract amount or contract dates.)

Contractor Name: Carolina Institute for Developmental Disabilities
Contract Amount (if this request amends the amount, please enter the amended amount): \$197,601.00
Contract Dates: July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018
DPI Contract Contact Person and Telephone Number: Ronda Layman
807-4059

2. Is this a contract amendment? If so, please explain fully why you are amending it.
(Note: If the amendment is for a date extension only, do not answer questions #3 through #12) **NO**
3. Why are you initiating a contract? What services will you require? **CIDD will provide training to LEAs to build capacity for meeting the needs of students who require assistive technology to make progress and participate in the curriculum. CIDD has expert knowledge of evaluating and implementing assistive technology**

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provide state wide professional development and technical assistance to LEAs as determined by DPI.

4. How does the contract add value to the teaching/learning process? **This professional development and technical assistance will provide valuable assessment and educational practices and strategies to students. LEAs and their teachers and specialists will be better equipped to provide higher quality assessment and instruction. LEA representatives who attend the meetings will receive direct professional development on assistive technology.**
5. Is the service unique and not repetitive with agency activity or other contracts? Please state why this service cannot be performed within the resources of the agency. **Yes, the Department of Public Instruction does not have the specific research-based knowledge, experience and capacity for delivering this staff development.**
6. What is the impact, if you do not contract for these services? **LEAs will continue to struggle in providing the necessary instruction needed for their students to make progress toward components of the North Carolina Standard Course of Study**
7. If this contract is being paid with grant money, does the grant require the contracted services? Please describe the grant references to these contracted services, and give a synopsis of the grant. **NO**
8. Will you use competitive bidding (e.g., RFP)? If yes, skip the remaining questions # 9 through # 12. **NO**
9. Are you using an IT Supplemental Staffing Convenience Contract or other type of convenience contract? If yes, please skip question # 10 and complete questions # 11 and # 12. **NO**
10. Do you plan to request sole sourcing for this contract? If yes, please complete and attach the required sole source justification memorandum. Sole sourcing is warranted whenever only one acceptable source can be found; sole sourcing should never be the first consideration. (**Important:** The approval of the DPI Section Chief for Purchasing and Contracts, and approval by the Division of Purchasing and Contracts or ITS Procurement Services is required for sole sourced contracts.) **NO**
11. Have you contracted with this vendor previously for related services? If yes, please provide the contract number of all contracts with this vendor during the last twelve months. **NC10314843**
12. How did you calculate the cost (e.g., what is the cost per hour and number of hours?) If the cost per hour is above the DPI maximum for that type of service per the New Service Contract Policies, please attach the required written permission granted by the Deputy Superintendent. **The cost was based on cost from previous contracts with the additional amount for the expanded training to build state -wide capacity. It includes supplies, travel, salary, benefits, and other incidental cost.**

13. Is this contract for information technology services? **NO**
14. If this is a personal service contract request, is the vendor/contractor a retiree?

_____ Yes No

If answer is yes, is individual a member of:

_____ TSERS (Teachers & State Employees Retirement System)

_____ Other (Please Explain) _____

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Budget Code: 0801-532150-166032956380

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Budget Representative

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Approved: Yes _____ No _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Supt./Deputy Supt./Appropriate CFO/CAO/CIO

For Technology Contracts Only:

Approved: Yes _____ No _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Chief Information Officer