REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL SPC PROPOSAL SPC# 11-18-19

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services
Administration (SAMHSA) Gatekeeper Training and
Certification



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BACKGROUND

HISTORY: St. Petersburg College ("SPC" or the "College"), located in Pinellas County, Florida, and established in 1927, is one of the oldest colleges in the 28-institution Florida College System ("FCS"). SPC is the first college in the FCS to become a four-year college issuing baccalaureate degrees beginning in 2001. SPC is governed by a five-member Board of Trustees appointed to four-year terms by the Governor of Florida. The Board of Trustees appoints the College President who has administrative responsibilities for college operations.

<u>ACADEMICS</u>: Enrollment in 2016-2017 included 49,006 students, including 40,661 credit seeking and 8,345 non-credit seeking (Source: www.spcollege.edu). St. Petersburg College offers more than 100 academic programs, career training, and university transfer options at twelve locations throughout Pinellas County and online.

PROGRAM BACKGROUND: The purpose of the Garrett Lee Smith (GLS) Campus Suicide Prevention program is to facilitate a comprehensive approach to assist colleges in the prevention of student suicide attempts and deaths by suicide, as well as improving access to mental health and substance abuse resources. Funded organizations work to develop a comprehensive, collaborative, well-coordinated, and evidence-based approach to:

- 1) enhance mental health services for all college students, including those at risk for suicide, depression, serious mental illness, and/or substance use disorders that can lead to school failure;
- 2) prevent mental and substance use disorders;
- 3) promote help-seeking behavior and reduce negative public attitudes; and
- 4) improve the identification and treatment of at-risk college students so they can successfully complete their studies.

It is expected that this program will reduce the adverse consequences of serious mental illness and substance use disorders, including suicidal behavior, substance-related injuries, and school failure. GLS Campus Suicide Prevention grants support the development of a comprehensive plan that demonstrates linkages between the needs of the college student population, as well as the goals and measureable objectives of the project. The plan should include strategies to develop the necessary infrastructure, and increase and sustain capacity for effective identification, intervention, and suicide prevention programming.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL: St. Petersburg College is soliciting proposals from individuals or companies who are experienced in providing educational trainings designed to teach individuals the warning signs of a suicide crisis and how to respond to such. We are specifically seeking the type of training best known as Gatekeeper training. This type of training will involve the training of those individuals who are in the best position to interact with and to respond to students.

The selected training program should be able to meet the following criteria:

• Offer trainees the education and training necessary to become certified trainers

- Teach trainees how to recognize the warning signs of depression and suicide
- Help trainees understand the attitudes and behaviors that can hinder help-seeking
- Teach trainees how to identify, support, and respond to someone who may be exhibiting signs of mental distress.
- •Teach trainees how to talk with someone who may be suicidal and how to persuade them to seek help
- Help trainees understand the steps for seeking help for oneself and others
- Review current resources and how to refer at-risk individuals to the appropriate resources for help
- Provide trainees with the certification and materials necessary to conduct basic gatekeeper trainings.

The training must be designed for an audience that will include campus administrators, faculty, academic advisors, disability service staff, veteran's service staff, and campus security. Training goals will be to increase the participant's knowledge and skill in the area of identification, intervention and referral of someone who may be experiencing suicidal thoughts or mental health distress.

This request seeks an evidence-based model that is recognized by SAMHSA and the Suicide Prevention Resource Council. It must utilize best practice in approach to student mental health. The proposed model must provide in person, face-to-face training so that participants are able to engage in supervised role-plays and receive feedback. The model must be based on a train-the-trainer approach as participants who receive certification will then be responsible for providing a shorter version of gatekeeper training to others.

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GENERAL CONDITIONS

RESPONDENTS: Respondents who wish to be considered for the services requested in this Request for Proposal ("RFP") must follow the instructions herein and provide all of the requested information. SPC reserves the right to disqualify any Respondent whose proposal does not comply with this RFP.

SEALED PROPOSAL: Respondents must submit their proposal in a sealed envelope with the outside of the envelope containing (1) the Respondent's name and address, (2) the proposal number, and (3) the date the proposal is scheduled to be opened by the College which is provided in this RFP. Envelopes not containing this information will not be opened nor considered by the College, and will be returned to the Respondent.

The following items must be contained within the sealed envelope: One original proposal with wet-ink signatures; one electronic version of the original proposal stored on a flash drive and the following completed forms: Respondent Registration form, Proposal Certification, Respondent's Qualification Statement, Drug Free Workplace, W9.

By submitting a proposal, the Respondent acknowledges and accepts the terms and conditions provided in this this RFP.

- EXECUTION OF PROPOSAL: Each proposal must be signed by an authorized representative of the Respondent Company. The proposal must be completed in ink or typewritten. If a correction needs to be made to the proposal, the Respondent must draw a single line through the language or figure that needs to be corrected and insert the new language or figure above the stricken text. Corrections must be initialed by the person signing the proposal. It is the Respondent's responsibility to ensure any handwritten language or figure is legible to the College. Otherwise, the College is not required to consider such language or figure.
- 2) PROPOSAL PREPARATION COSTS: Any expense involved in preparing or submitting a proposal, and any work performed in connection with the proposal, shall be borne solely by the Respondent. No payment will be made by the College for any proposal received or for any other effort required, or made by, the Respondent submitting the proposal prior to contract management.
- 3) PROPOSAL SUBMISSION AND OPENING: Proposals must be hand-delivered or mailed to St. Petersburg College, Attn: Karen Reynolds, Purchasing Manager, Epi Services, 14025 58th Street North, Clearwater, Florida 33760 in room 217. The College must receive the proposal no later than 2:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time (according to the College's timepiece) on March 25, 2019
 - a) It is the Respondent's responsibility to ensure the proposal is timely submitted <u>and</u> received by the College. The College will not be responsible for late deliveries or delayed mail. Proposals received by the College after the deadline will be returned unopened to the Respondent without being considered by College.

- b) Facsimile or electronic proposals will not be accepted. Proposals must be provided in hard copy format, in a sealed and properly labeled envelope, as referenced in GENERAL CONDITIONS above.
- c) Once opened, proposals become the property of the College and will not be returned.
- 4) **REGISTRATION**: Prior to submitting a proposal, each Respondent must register with the College's Purchasing Office in order to be placed on the distribution list for addenda or official communications concerning this RFP. Please register at https://web.spcollege.edu/purchasing.
- 5) CHANGES OR MODIFICATIONS: The College reserves the right to make changes to this RFP. Changes may include but are not limited to postponing the due date of proposals or revising RFP specifications. All changes will be announced and disseminated by the College's Purchasing Department via addendum posted to the College's Purchasing website and sent to registered Respondents via email with sufficient time for Respondents to amend their proposals following the College's change. Respondents must acknowledge receipt of all addenda by signing, dating, and returning the acknowledgment page of the addendum with the Respondent's proposal.
- 6) <u>CONFLICT OF INTEREST</u>: By submitting a proposal, each Respondent acknowledges and agrees to comply with Section 112.313(3), Florida Statutes, which provides:

DOING BUSINESS WITH ONE'S AGENCY.—No employee of an agency acting in his or her official capacity as a purchasing agent, or public officer acting in his or her official capacity, shall either directly or indirectly purchase, rent, or lease any realty, goods, or services for his or her own agency from any business entity of which the officer or employee or the officer's or employee's spouse or child is an officer, partner, director, or proprietor or in which such officer or employee or the officer's or employee's spouse or child, or any combination of them, has a material interest. Nor shall a public officer or employee, acting in a private capacity, rent, lease, or sell any realty, goods, or services to the officer's or employee's own agency, if he or she is a state officer or employee, or to any political subdivision or any agency thereof, if he or she is serving as an officer or employee of that political subdivision. The foregoing shall not apply to district offices maintained by legislators when such offices are located in the legislator's place of business or when such offices are on property wholly or partially owned by the legislator. This subsection shall not affect or be construed to prohibit contracts entered into prior to:

October 1, 1975. Qualification for elective office. Appointment to public office. Beginning public employment

7)	COLLUSION/DISCLOSURE:	By submitting a	proposal, e	each Res	pondent	acknow	ledges and
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Respondent also acknowledges and agrees to the following statement:

No member of my company's ownership, management or staff has a vested financial interest in any aspect or department of the College.

Any Respondent who cannot agree with these statements should not submit a proposal.

- 8) **PROPOSAL WITHDRAWAL**: Respondents may withdraw their proposals by notifying the College in writing any time before the proposal opening. Upon receiving a Respondent's timely notification of withdrawal, the College will return the unopened proposal to an authorized representative of the Respondent's company, who will be required to disclose his or her identity (via company business card and driver's license). The authorized representative will be required to sign for receipt of the proposal.
 - a) Any proposal submitted to the College constitutes an irrevocable offer by the Respondent to provide the College with the services requested in this RFP and any response thereto, for a period of 120 days from receipt of the proposal.
- 9) **SUBCONTRACTING**: The name and company of any subcontractor contemplated for use must be included as part of Respondent's proposal.
- 10) **ACCURACY OF PROPOSAL INFORMATION**: Respondents must ensure the accuracy of their proposal information. The College reserves the right to disqualify any proposal that includes inaccurate, misleading, exaggerated, or incorrect information.
- 11) <u>FUTURE ADVERTISING</u>: In submitting a proposal, a Respondent agrees not to use the results of the College's selection process in any future commercial advertisement without obtaining the College's prior written consent.
- 12) **PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES:** By submitting a proposal, a Respondent and their company acknowledges and agrees to comply with the Public Entity Crimes Statement referenced below:
 - a) A person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted Respondent list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a proposal on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit proposals on leases of real property to a public entity, may not be awarded work or perform work as a contractor, supplier, sub-Respondent or consultant under a contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in Florida Statutes, Chapter 287 for Category Two for a period of thirty-six (36) months from the date of being placed on the convicted Respondent list.
- 13) <u>PUBLIC RECORDS</u>: Any material submitted in response to this RFP is subject to disclosure under Florida's Public Records law, Chapter 119, Florida Statutes.

- 14) **RESERVATION OF RIGHTS**: In addition to all other rights of the College under Florida law or the Board of Trustees Rules and College Procedures, the College specifically reserves the following:
 - a) The College reserves the right to rank companies pursuant to the relative Florida Statutes and the Florida Administrative Code and to negotiate with the highest-ranking company.
 - b) The College reserves the right to reject this RFP.
 - c) The College reserves the right to reject any and all proposals submitted in response to this RFP.
 - d) The College reserves the right to remedy or waive technical or immaterial errors in this RFP or the submitted proposals.
 - e) The College reserves the right to request any necessary clarifications or statement data without changing the terms of any proposal.
- 15) <u>DISPUTES & PROTESTS</u>: Any actual or prospective Respondent who is allegedly aggrieved in connection with the issuance of this RFP or pending award of contract, may protest to St. Petersburg College, Attn: **Mr. Thomas Russell Director of Procurement**, P.O. Box 13489, St. Petersburg, Florida 33733. The protest must be filed in accordance with Chapter 120, Florida Statutes. Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes, or failure to post the bond or other security required by law within the time allowed for filing a bond shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under Chapter 120, Florida Statutes.
- 16) <u>IDENTICAL OR TIE BIDS</u>: In the event two or more Respondents receive the exact same score from the evaluation team, the following criteria, in order of importance, shall be used to break the tie: (1) Drug Free Work Place Certification, (2) Florida Respondents, or (3) whether Bidder's place of business is within Pinellas County.
- 17) **EQUAL OPPORTUNITY**: All work on this project will be carried out in compliance with the College's commitment to the concept of equal opportunity; that is, there will be no discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, marital status, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, genetic information or against any qualified person with a disability. Recognizing that sexual harassment constitutes discrimination on the basis of sex, neither the College nor the Respondent shall not tolerate such conduct.
- 18) <u>INDEMNIFICATION</u>: To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Respondent shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend the College, its Trustees, officers, agents, servants, and employees, or any of them, from and against all claims, damages, losses, and expenses including, but not limited to, attorneys' fees and other legal costs including but not limited to costs for paralegal, investigative, and legal support services, and the actual costs incurred for expert witness testimony, arising out of or resulting from the performance of services required under the contract resulting from this RFP, provided that same is caused by the negligence, recklessness, or intentional wrongful conduct of the Respondent or other person or company utilized by the Respondent in the performance of the work. Nothing herein shall be deemed to affect the

rights, privileges, and immunities of the College as set forth in Section 768.28, Florida Statutes.

- 19) <u>LEGAL REQUIREMENTS:</u> Applicable provisions of all federal, state, local laws and ordinances, College rules and procedures shall govern development, submittal and evaluation of all proposals received in response to this RFP and shall govern any and all claims and disputes which may arise between Respondent and the College by and through each entity's officers, employees and authorized representatives, or any other person, natural or otherwise; and a lack of knowledge by the Respondent shall not constitute a valid defense against the legal effect thereof.
- 20) <u>CONTRACT TYPE:</u> The College anticipates entering into a deliverable based reimbursement contract with the successful Respondent. Deliverables will be aligned with the outcome measures referenced in this RFP. The College anticipates a contract term of 10 months (beginning with the last party to sign). The laws of Florida shall govern any contract entered into by the College and selected Respondent.
- 21) **PROPOSAL SPECIFICATIONS:** The Proposal Specifications requested under this RFP follow these General Conditions. To the extent there is a conflict between the General Conditions and the Proposal Specifications, the Proposal Specifications will govern and control.

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SUMMARIZED SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Date & Day	Description
Thursday 03/07/2019	RFP issued
Monday 3/11 – Friday 3/15	College Closed for Spring Break
Monday, 03/18/2019 -Weds., 03/20/2019	Questions & Answers:
	Questions must be submitted in writing via email to SPC's Purchasing Manager, Karen Reynolds, at reynolds.karen@spcollege.edu. The Q&A period will last from 3/18/2019 to 3/20/2019, following which the College will create a list of questions and answers developed during the Q&A period and disseminate the list to all registered and qualified companies. The list will also be posted to the College's Purchasing website.
	No questions, verbal or written, will be accepted after the Q&A period ends at 9AM on 03/20/2019.
03/25/2019 Monday No later than 2:00 PM	RFP Deadline Deliver sealed proposals to the purchasing office: St. Petersburg College 14025 58th St. North Clearwater, FL 33760 Attn: Karen Reynolds, Purchasing Manager
03/25/2019 Monday 2:01 PM	RFP Opening at St. Petersburg College 14025 58th St. North Clearwater, FL 33760 Conf room 217
03/25/2019 to 04/01/2019	Selection committee reviews proposals.
04/03/2019 Weds.	Notice of recommended intent to award

PROPOSAL SPECIFICATIONS

PROJECT OVERVIEW: As part of our SAMHSA Garett Lee Smith Grant, St. Petersburg College has identified the need to train faculty and staff in mental health and suicidal symptom recognition, intervention, support and referral. Currently the college has no suicide prevention plan and the procedures for emergency action in the event of student death, illness, injury, or threat of suicide do not include mental health (P6Hx23-1.231). Our mental health services are loosely coordinated and relationships with community partners, training and composition of Threat Assessment Teams vary by campus and department. Our faculty are typically untrained to deal with mental health issues and have reported they are not readily aware of resources available for help (Collaborative Labs, 2016). In order to comply with the goals outlined by the college in the original SAMHSA Garett Lee Smith Grant application this project will include gatekeeper training for Taskforce members, personnel, and students. The gatekeeper training model will represent a tiered "train-the-trainer" system in which participants learn to recognize the warning signs of suicide, how to get help, offer hope, and how to train others. The model will include the following

Intensive Gatekeeper Training where all Taskforce members, Threat Assessment teams, and select key frontline personnel (estimated 20-25 individuals) will receive an intensive "train-the-trainer" certification.

Opportunity for Project Taskforce members serving special population such as veterans and students with disabilities to undergo specialized gatekeeper training to better equip faculty and staff in addressing specific needs such as Post-Traumatic Stress for veterans.

Basic Gatekeeper Training where those trained as certified gatekeepers will then be equipped to provide in-person basic gatekeeper training for faculty, staff, and students in 1-2 hour workshops to be held at regular intervals on each campus as well as online.

REQUIREMENTS AND PREFERENCES: Please respond to each of the questions/requirements below (both those labeled as required and preferred). Additional information may be provided as attachments. Each response must be labeled with the corresponding question/requirement number. The maximum page limit for responses not including required addenda, is 45 pages.

Question/ Requirement #	Question/Requirement	Required or Preferred
	Experience and Qualifications	
1)	Describe your form of business (I.e., individual, sole proprietor, corporation, non-profit, partnership, LLC) and provide a brief descriptive statement indicating your credentials in delivering the services sought under this RFP. Include how long your business has been performing the services required.	Required
2)	Provide 3 customer references from institutions of higher learning which have utilized your business. Include phone numbers, emails, and the names of individuals for contact purposes.	Required
3)	Provide a narrative that illustrates your understanding of the RFP requirements and how you or your company will accomplish the required objectives.	Required
4)	Provide a description of your company's experience in delivering this type of training.	Required
	Training	
5)	Describe your typical training plan including description of training, the anticipated outcomes, the process for certification, and the amount of time needed to meet with trainees.	Required
6)	Provide examples of the training agenda and schedule.	Required
7)	Provide examples of training materials for all formats of training (intensive in person face-to-face and on-line for self-paced).	Required

EVALUATION PROCESS

- A. The Evaluation Committee ("Evaluation Committee") may consist of College employees as well as non-employees who have background and experience in face to face and online student services. It is anticipated the Evaluation Committee will consist of seven (7) Project-HEAL Taskforce members.
- B. The Evaluation Committee will review all proposals received and accepted, and evaluate each proposal based on the evaluation criteria provided below. The Evaluation Committee will select one (1) company deemed to be the most highly qualified to perform the required services unless less than three proposals are received, in which case the Evaluation Committee will rank order as many companies as applied. The College will then begin negotiating with the highest ranking company.
- C. Should the College be unable to negotiate a satisfactory contract with the company deemed to be the most highly qualified, at the allotted \$24,300 to this project, negotiations with that company will be formally terminated, and the College will undertake negotiations with the second most highly qualified company. Failing accord with the second company, the College will undertake negotiations with the third most highly qualified company. Should the College be unable to negotiate a satisfactory contract with any of the selected companies, additional companies will be selected in accordance with law. The College reserves the right to determine not to proceed with the project.
- D. Once negotiations are complete, the selected company and the College will execute a contract for the required work.

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EVALUATION SCORING

The evaluation criteria below correspond with the criteria provided in the Proposal Specifications above. Allotted points will be based on how well a Respondent addresses the criteria in the Proposal Specifications.

Experience and Qualifications	/20 Points
Ability to review content for Universal Design edits/recommendations.	/25 Points
Ability to develop Universal Design Academic Content template.	/25 Points
Training	/10 Points
Key Performance Indicators	/20 Points
Total Points:	/100 Points

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RESPONDENT REGISTRATION FORM

Anyone interested in doing business with St. Petersburg College is required to complete the Respondent Registration Form. The completed form does not guarantee an opportunity to submit a proposal, but does help the College in evaluating your business for future opportunities.

Business Name:			
Mailing Address (Street/P.O. box):			
City:	State: County:		
	Zip Code:		
Contact Person:	Title:		
Telephone #:	Fax #:		
Email Address:			
Is your company certified by the State of Florida's Office of Supplier Diversity as a Minority/Woman owned business? Yes No If Yes, identify certification:			
Please forward a current catalog or provide a website address if catalog is Website Address:	s available online.		
Type of business/service offered:			
Please return the completed Respondent Registration Form to	:		
St. Petersburg College Attn: Mr. Thomas Russell Director of Procurement P.O. Box 13489 St. Petersburg, FL 33733-3489 OR -			
Fax to: (727) 444-6653			

STATEMENT OF NO PROPOSAL

If your company does not intend to respond to this RFP, please complete and return this form prior to the date shown for receipt of Proposals to: St. Petersburg College, Attn: Mr. Thomas Russell, Director of Procurement, P. O. Box 13489, St. Petersburg, Florida 33733-3489. Fax # 727-444-6653

The undersigned declines to submit a proposal on the above referenced Invitation to Proposal

for th	e following reason(s):				
	Specifications are too "restrictive." (Foundation of the Unable to meet specifications Specifications were unclear. (Please et al., 1985) Insufficient time to respond	•	()		
	We do not offer this type of product or equivalent				
	Our production schedule would not permit us to perform				
	Other (please explain below)				
	Company Name		Title		
_	Signature	Telephone			
	Printed Name	· -	Fax		
	Address	City	State		

PROPOSAL CERTIFICATION

I certify that this proposal is made without prior understanding, agreement or connection with any corporation, company or person submitting a proposal for the same services, materials, supplies or equipment, and is, in all respects, fair and without collusion or fraud. I agree to abide by all conditions of this proposal; I certify that I am authorized to sign this proposal.

I hereby agree to furnish the items and/or services at the prices and terms stated in my proposal. I have read and understand the terms and conditions of the Request for Proposal.

This company is in compliance with the non-discrimination clause contained in Section 202, Executive Order 11246, as amended by Executive Order 11375, relative to Equal Employment Opportunity for all people without regard to race, color, religion, sex or national origin and the implementing rules and regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Labor.

I certify that I have received the following addenda (if any):

Addendum	_Dated	
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Addendum	_Dated	
Addendum	_Dated	
Signature		
Name(s) and Title(s)		
Legal Name of Respondent _		
Mailing Address		
City, State, Zip		
Telephone		_ Fax
Email		
Date		

RESPONDENT'S QUALIFICATION STATEMENT

The undersigned certifies under oath the truth and correctness of all statements and all answers to questions and information provided hereinafter.

Submitted to:	St. Petersburg College Director of Procurement		
Submitted by:	Name:		_() Corporation
	Address:		() Partnership
	Principal Office:		_() Individual
	(Note: Attach separate sheets as required.)		() Joint Venture
) Other			
1. How many	years has your organization provided the request	ed services?	
2. How many	years under the present business name?		
If applicable:			
Former busine	ess name:	# Years:	
3. Corporation	s, answer the following:		
Date of incorp	oration:		
State of incorporation:			
President:			
Regional Mana	ager:		
District Manag	ger:		
4. Partnership	s, answer the following:		
Date of organi	zation:		
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5. If other than a corporation of	or partnership, describe organization and name principals:
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•	nplete any contract awarded to you? If so, indicate when, where, nber of persons we may talk to about this:
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	of your organization ever been an officer or partner of another plete a contact? Yes No
If yes, state circumstances:	
9. Worker's Compensation inst	urance policy number:
Name of company:	Policy amount:
10. Comprehensive General Lia	ability policy number:
Name of company:	Policy amount (\$500,000 combined single limit minimum)

The Board of Trustees, St. Petersburg Co Liability coverage if our company is award (A "No" answer will disqualify your bid.)	<u> </u>	
11. Name(s) and telephone number(s) o administering the contract in the event of	bid award (attach shee	t if necessary):
Date:		
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	Title:	(Authorized Signature)
NOTARIZATION		
Sworn to and subscribed before me this _	day of	
Personally known		Notary Signature
Produced Identification:		
Type of Identification:		
Notary Public State of:		
My Commission expires:		
(Printed, typed or stamped Commis		

DRUG FREE WORKPLACE

The undersigned Respondent in accordance with Florida Statute 287.087 hereby certifies that does:

- 1. Publish a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition.
- 2. Inform employees about the dangers of drug abuse in the workplace, the business's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace, any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs, and the penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations.
- 3. Give each employee engaged in providing the commodities or contractual services that are proposed a copy of the statement specified in subsection (1).
- 4. In the statement specified in subsection (1), notify the employees that as a condition of working on the commodities or contractual services that are under proposal, the employee will abide by the terms of the statement, and will notify the employer of any conviction of, or plea of guilty or nolo contendere, to any violation of Chapter 893, or any controlled substance law of the United States or any state violation occurring in the workplace, no later than five (5) days after such conviction.
- 5. Impose a sanction on or require the satisfactory participation in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program, if such is available in the employee's community, by an employee who is so convicted.
- 6. Make a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug free workplace through implementation of this section

As the person authorized to sign the statement, I certify that this company complies fully with the above requirements.

Respondent's Signature
Date



Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

Give Form to the requester. Do not send to the IRS.

	Name (as shown on your income t	ax return)			-					
ge 2.	Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above									
s on pa	Check appropriate box for federal tax classification (required):									
Print or type See Specific Instructions on page	☐ Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=partnership) ▶						Exempt payee			
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_	List account number(s) here (optio	nal)								
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Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on the "Name" line to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the Part I instructions on page 3. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see <i>How to get a</i>						_				
	page 3.		· ·							
		ne name, see the chart on page 4 for guidelines on wh	ne chart on page 4 for guidelines on whose			Employer identification number				
numbe	r to enter.			-	-					
Part	Certification									
Under	penalties of perjury, I certify th	at:								
1. The	number shown on this form is	my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am wa	aiting for a num	nber to be iss	sued to me), and				
Ser		lding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholdi backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all olding, and								
3. I an	n a U.S. citizen or other U.S. pe	erson (defined below).								
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Sign Here	Signature of U.S. person ▶		Date ►							

General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Purpose of Form

A person who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) to report, for example, income paid to you, real estate transactions, mortgage interest you paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, or contributions you made to an IRA.

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN to the person requesting it (the requester) and, when applicable, to:

- 1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),
 - 2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
- 3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income.

Note. If a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

Definition of a U.S. person. For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

- An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien,
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States,
- An estate (other than a foreign estate), or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

Special rules for partnerships. Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax on any foreign partners' share of income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, a partnership is required to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid withholding on your share of partnership income.

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The person who gives Form W-9 to the partnership for purposes of establishing its U.S. status and avoiding withholding on its allocable share of net income from the partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States is in the following cases:

- The U.S. owner of a disregarded entity and not the entity,
- The U.S. grantor or other owner of a grantor trust and not the trust, and
- The U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust) and not the beneficiaries of the trust.

Foreign person. If you are a foreign person, do not use Form W-9. Instead, use the appropriate Form W-8 (see Publication 515, Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities).

Nonresident alien who becomes a resident alien. Generally, only a nonresident alien individual may use the terms of a tax treaty to reduce or eliminate U.S. tax on certain types of income. However, most tax treaties contain a provision known as a "saving clause." Exceptions specified in the saving clause may permit an exemption from tax to continue for certain types of income even after the payee has otherwise become a U.S. resident alien for tax purposes.

If you are a U.S. resident alien who is relying on an exception contained in the saving clause of a tax treaty to claim an exemption from U.S. tax on certain types of income, you must attach a statement to Form W-9 that specifies the following five items:

- 1. The treaty country. Generally, this must be the same treaty under which you claimed exemption from tax as a nonresident alien.
 - 2. The treaty article addressing the income.
- 3. The article number (or location) in the tax treaty that contains the saving clause and its exceptions.
- 4. The type and amount of income that qualifies for the exemption from tax.
- 5. Sufficient facts to justify the exemption from tax under the terms of the treaty article.

Example. Article 20 of the U.S.-China income tax treaty allows an exemption from tax for scholarship income received by a Chinese student temporarily present in the United States. Under U.S. law, this student will become a resident alien for tax purposes if his or her stay in the United States exceeds 5 calendar years. However, paragraph 2 of the first Protocol to the U.S.-China treaty (dated April 30, 1984) allows the provisions of Article 20 to continue to apply even after the Chinese student becomes a resident alien of the United States. A Chinese student who qualifies for this exception (under paragraph 2 of the first protocol) and is relying on this exception to claim an exemption from tax on his or her scholarship or fellowship income would attach to Form W-9 a statement that includes the information described above to support that exemption.

If you are a nonresident alien or a foreign entity not subject to backup withholding, give the requester the appropriate completed Form W-8.

What is backup withholding? Persons making certain payments to you must under certain conditions withhold and pay to the IRS a percentage of such payments. This is called "backup withholding." Payments that may be subject to backup withholding include interest, tax-exempt interest, dividends, broker and barter exchange transactions, rents, royalties, nonemployee pay, and certain payments from fishing boat operators. Real estate transactions are not subject to backup withholding.

You will not be subject to backup withholding on payments you receive if you give the requester your correct TIN, make the proper certifications, and report all your taxable interest and dividends on your tax return

Payments you receive will be subject to backup withholding if:

- 1. You do not furnish your TIN to the requester,
- 2. You do not certify your TIN when required (see the Part II instructions on page 3 for details),
 - 3. The IRS tells the requester that you furnished an incorrect TIN,
- 4. The IRS tells you that you are subject to backup withholding because you did not report all your interest and dividends on your tax return (for reportable interest and dividends only), or
- 5. You do not certify to the requester that you are not subject to backup withholding under 4 above (for reportable interest and dividend accounts opened after 1983 only).

Certain payees and payments are exempt from backup withholding. See the instructions below and the separate Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9.

Also see Special rules for partnerships on page 1.

Updating Your Information

You must provide updated information to any person to whom you claimed to be an exempt payee if you are no longer an exempt payee and anticipate receiving reportable payments in the future from this person. For example, you may need to provide updated information if you are a C corporation that elects to be an S corporation, or if you no longer are tax exempt. In addition, you must furnish a new Form W-9 if the name or TIN changes for the account, for example, if the grantor of a grantor trust dies.

Penalties

Failure to furnish TIN. If you fail to furnish your correct TIN to a requester, you are subject to a penalty of \$50 for each such failure unless your failure is due to reasonable cause and not to willful neglect.

Civil penalty for false information with respect to withholding. If you make a false statement with no reasonable basis that results in no backup withholding, you are subject to a \$500 penalty.

Criminal penalty for falsifying information. Willfully falsifying certifications or affirmations may subject you to criminal penalties including fines and/or imprisonment.

Misuse of TINs. If the requester discloses or uses TINs in violation of federal law, the requester may be subject to civil and criminal penalties.

Specific Instructions

Name

If you are an individual, you must generally enter the name shown on your income tax return. However, if you have changed your last name, for instance, due to marriage without informing the Social Security Administration of the name change, enter your first name, the last name shown on your social security card, and your new last name.

If the account is in joint names, list first, and then circle, the name of the person or entity whose number you entered in Part I of the form.

Sole proprietor. Enter your individual name as shown on your income tax return on the "Name" line. You may enter your business, trade, or "doing business as (DBA)" name on the "Business name/disregarded entity name" line.

Partnership, C Corporation, or S Corporation. Enter the entity's name on the "Name" line and any business, trade, or "doing business as (DBA) name" on the "Business name/disregarded entity name" line.

Disregarded entity. Enter the owner's name on the "Name" line. The name of the entity entered on the "Name" line should never be a disregarded entity. The name on the "Name" line must be the name shown on the income tax return on which the income will be reported. For example, if a foreign LLC that is treated as a disregarded entity for U.S. federal tax purposes has a domestic owner, the domestic owner's name is required to be provided on the "Name" line. If the direct owner of the entity is also a disregarded entity, enter the first owner that is not disregarded for federal tax purposes. Enter the disregarded entity's name on the "Business name/disregarded entity name" line. If the owner of the disregarded entity is a foreign person, you must complete an appropriate Form W-8.

Note. Check the appropriate box for the federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on the "Name" line (Individual/sole proprietor, Partnership, C Corporation, S Corporation, Trust/estate).

Limited Liability Company (LLC). If the person identified on the "Name" line is an LLC, check the "Limited liability company" box only and enter the appropriate code for the tax classification in the space provided. If you are an LLC that is treated as a partnership for federal tax purposes, enter "P" for partnership. If you are an LLC that has filed a Form 8832 or a Form 2553 to be taxed as a corporation, enter "C" for C corporation or "S" for S corporation. If you are an LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner under Regulation section 301.7701-3 (except for employment and excise tax), do not check the LLC box unless the owner of the LLC (required to be identified on the "Name" line) is another LLC that is not disregarded for federal tax purposes. If the LLC is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner, enter the appropriate tax classification of the owner identified on the "Name" line.

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Other entities. Enter your business name as shown on required federal tax documents on the "Name" line. This name should match the name shown on the charter or other legal document creating the entity. You may enter any business, trade, or DBA name on the "Business name/ disregarded entity name" line.

Exempt Payee

If you are exempt from backup withholding, enter your name as described above and check the appropriate box for your status, then check the "Exempt payee" box in the line following the "Business name/disregarded entity name," sign and date the form.

Generally, individuals (including sole proprietors) are not exempt from backup withholding. Corporations are exempt from backup withholding for certain payments, such as interest and dividends.

Note. If you are exempt from backup withholding, you should still complete this form to avoid possible erroneous backup withholding.

The following payees are exempt from backup withholding:

- 1. An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a), any IRA, or a custodial account under section 403(b)(7) if the account satisfies the requirements of section 401(f)(2),
 - 2. The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities,
- 3. A state, the District of Columbia, a possession of the United States, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities,
- 4. A foreign government or any of its political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities, or
- 5. An international organization or any of its agencies or instrumentalities.

Other payees that may be exempt from backup withholding include:

- 6. A corporation,
- 7. A foreign central bank of issue,
- 8. A dealer in securities or commodities required to register in the United States, the District of Columbia, or a possession of the United States
- 9. A futures commission merchant registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission,
 - 10. A real estate investment trust,
- 11. An entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940,
 - 12. A common trust fund operated by a bank under section 584(a),
 - 13. A financial institution.
- 14. A middleman known in the investment community as a nominee or custodian, or
- 15. A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947.

The following chart shows types of payments that may be exempt from backup withholding. The chart applies to the exempt payees listed above, 1 through 15.

IF the payment is for	THEN the payment is exempt for				
Interest and dividend payments	All exempt payees except for 9				
Broker transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 5 and 7 through 13. Also, C corporations.				
Barter exchange transactions and patronage dividends	Exempt payees 1 through 5				
Payments over \$600 required to be reported and direct sales over \$5,000 1	Generally, exempt payees 1 through 7 ²				

¹See Form 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Income, and its instructions.

Part I. Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. If you are a resident alien and you do not have and are not eligible to get an SSN, your TIN is your IRS individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN). Enter it in the social security number box. If you do not have an ITIN, see *How to get a TIN* below.

If you are a sole proprietor and you have an EIN, you may enter either your SSN or EIN. However, the IRS prefers that you use your SSN.

If you are a single-member LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner (see *Limited Liability Company (LLC)* on page 2), enter the owner's SSN (or EIN, if the owner has one). Do not enter the disregarded entity's EIN. If the LLC is classified as a corporation or partnership, enter the entity's EIN.

Note. See the chart on page 4 for further clarification of name and TIN combinations.

How to get a TIN. If you do not have a TIN, apply for one immediately. To apply for an SSN, get Form SS-5, Application for a Social Security Card, from your local Social Security Administration office or get this form online at www.ssa.gov. You may also get this form by calling 1-800-772-1213. Use Form W-7, Application for IRS Individual Taxpayer Identification Number, to apply for an ITIN, or Form SS-4, Application for Employer Identification Number, to apply for an EIN. You can apply for an EIN online by accessing the IRS website at www.irs.gov/businesses and clicking on Employer Identification Number (EIN) under Starting a Business. You can get Forms W-7 and SS-4 from the IRS by visiting IRS.gov or by calling 1-800-TAX-FORM (1-800-829-3676).

If you are asked to complete Form W-9 but do not have a TIN, write "Applied For" in the space for the TIN, sign and date the form, and give it to the requester. For interest and dividend payments, and certain payments made with respect to readily tradable instruments, generally you will have 60 days to get a TIN and give it to the requester before you are subject to backup withholding on payments. The 60-day rule does not apply to other types of payments. You will be subject to backup withholding on all such payments until you provide your TIN to the requester.

Note. Entering "Applied For" means that you have already applied for a TIN or that you intend to apply for one soon.

Caution: A disregarded domestic entity that has a foreign owner must use the appropriate Form W-8.

Part II. Certification

To establish to the withholding agent that you are a U.S. person, or resident alien, sign Form W-9. You may be requested to sign by the withholding agent even if item 1, below, and items 4 and 5 on page 4 indicate otherwise.

For a joint account, only the person whose TIN is shown in Part I should sign (when required). In the case of a disregarded entity, the person identified on the "Name" line must sign. Exempt payees, see Exempt Payee on page 3.

Signature requirements. Complete the certification as indicated in items 1 through 3, below, and items 4 and 5 on page 4.

- 1. Interest, dividend, and barter exchange accounts opened before 1984 and broker accounts considered active during 1983. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.
- 2. Interest, dividend, broker, and barter exchange accounts opened after 1983 and broker accounts considered inactive during 1983. You must sign the certification or backup withholding will apply. If you are subject to backup withholding and you are merely providing your correct TIN to the requester, you must cross out item 2 in the certification before signing the form.
- **3. Real estate transactions.** You must sign the certification. You may cross out item 2 of the certification.

² However, the following payments made to a corporation and reportable on Form 1099-MISC are not exempt from backup withholding: medical and health care payments, attorneys' fees, gross proceeds paid to an attorney, and payments for services paid by a federal executive agency.

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- **4. Other payments.** You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification unless you have been notified that you have previously given an incorrect TIN. "Other payments" include payments made in the course of the requester's trade or business for rents, royalties, goods (other than bills for merchandise), medical and health care services (including payments to corporations), payments to a nonemployee for services, payments to certain fishing boat crew members and fishermen, and gross proceeds paid to attorneys (including payments to corporations).
- 5. Mortgage interest paid by you, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, qualified tuition program payments (under section 529), IRA, Coverdell ESA, Archer MSA or HSA contributions or distributions, and pension distributions. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

What Name and Number To Give the Requester

For this type of account:	Give name and SSN of:
Individual Two or more individuals (joint account)	The individual The actual owner of the account or, if combined funds, the first individual on the account '
Custodian account of a minor (Uniform Gift to Minors Act)	The minor ²
4. a. The usual revocable savings trust (grantor is also trustee) b. So-called trust account that is not a legal or valid trust under state law	The grantor-trustee ¹ The actual owner ¹
Sole proprietorship or disregarded entity owned by an individual	The owner ³
6. Grantor trust filing under Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 1 (see Regulation section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(A))	The grantor*
For this type of account:	Give name and EIN of:
Disregarded entity not owned by an individual	The owner
8. A valid trust, estate, or pension trust	Legal entity 4
Corporation or LLC electing corporate status on Form 8832 or Form 2553	The corporation
Association, club, religious, charitable, educational, or other tax-exempt organization	The organization
11. Partnership or multi-member LLC	The partnership
12. A broker or registered nominee	The broker or nominee
13. Account with the Department of Agriculture in the name of a public entity (such as a state or local government, school district, or prison) that receives agricultural program payments	The public entity
14. Grantor trust filing under the Form 1041 Filing Method or the Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 2 (see Regulation section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(B))	The trust

¹List first and circle the name of the person whose number you furnish. If only one person on a joint account has an SSN, that person's number must be furnished.

Note. If no name is circled when more than one name is listed, the number will be considered to be that of the first name listed.

Secure Your Tax Records from Identity Theft

Identity theft occurs when someone uses your personal information such as your name, social security number (SSN), or other identifying information, without your permission, to commit fraud or other crimes. An identity thief may use your SSN to get a job or may file a tax return using your SSN to receive a refund.

To reduce your risk:

- · Protect your SSN,
- Ensure your employer is protecting your SSN, and
- Be careful when choosing a tax preparer.

If your tax records are affected by identity theft and you receive a notice from the IRS, respond right away to the name and phone number printed on the IRS notice or letter.

If your tax records are not currently affected by identity theft but you think you are at risk due to a lost or stolen purse or wallet, questionable credit card activity or credit report, contact the IRS Identity Theft Hotline at 1-800-908-4490 or submit Form 14039.

For more information, see Publication 4535, Identity Theft Prevention and Victim Assistance.

Victims of identity theft who are experiencing economic harm or a system problem, or are seeking help in resolving tax problems that have not been resolved through normal channels, may be eligible for Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) assistance. You can reach TAS by calling the TAS toll-free case intake line at 1-877-777-4778 or TTY/TDD 1-800-829-4059.

Protect yourself from suspicious emails or phishing schemes.

Phishing is the creation and use of email and websites designed to mimic legitimate business emails and websites. The most common act is sending an email to a user falsely claiming to be an established legitimate enterprise in an attempt to scam the user into surrendering private information that will be used for identity theft.

The IRS does not initiate contacts with taxpayers via emails. Also, the IRS does not request personal detailed information through email or ask taxpayers for the PIN numbers, passwords, or similar secret access information for their credit card, bank, or other financial accounts.

If you receive an unsolicited email claiming to be from the IRS, forward this message to <code>phishing@irs.gov</code>. You may also report misuse of the IRS name, logo, or other IRS property to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration at 1-800-366-4484. You can forward suspicious emails to the Federal Trade Commission at: <code>spam@uce.gov</code> or contact them at <code>www.ftc.gov/idtheft</code> or 1-877-IDTHEFT (1-877-438-4338).

Visit IRS.gov to learn more about identity theft and how to reduce your risk.

Privacy Act Notice

Section 6109 of the Internal Revenue Code requires you to provide your correct TIN to persons (including federal agencies) who are required to file information returns with the IRS to report interest, dividends, or certain other income paid to you; mortgage interest you paid; the acquisition or abandonment of secured property; the cancellation of debt; or contributions you made to an IRA, Archer MSA, or HSA. The person collecting this form uses the information on the form to file information returns with the IRS, reporting the above information. Routine uses of this information include giving it to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation and to cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. possessions for use in administering their laws. The information also may be disclosed to other countries under a treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce civil and criminal laws, or to federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies to combat terrorism. You must provide your TIN whether or not you are required to file a tax return. Under section 3406, payers must generally withhold a percentage of taxable interest, dividend, and certain other payments to a payee who does not give a TIN to the payer. Certain penalties may also apply for providing false or fraudulent information.

² Circle the minor's name and furnish the minor's SSN.

³ You must show your individual name and you may also enter your business or "DBA" name on the "Business name/disregarded entity" name line. You may use either your SSN or EIN (if you have one), but the IRS encourages you to use your SSN.

List first and circle the name of the trust, estate, or pension trust. (Do not furnish the TIN of the personal representative or trustee unless the legal entity itself is not designated in the account title.) Also see Special rules for partnerships on page 1.

^{*}Note. Grantor also must provide a Form W-9 to trustee of trust.