

Questions 070-HH10

Who are the current vendors providing SLP services to the district?

There are 10 vendors currently providing contracted services. They are: Sondra Pierce dba ABC Speech and Language Therapy; Audrey B. Greenwald dba Boca Speech Center; Bilinguals Inc.; Florida International University; Community Rehab Associates, Inc.; EBS Healthcare, Inc.; Progressus Therapy, Inc.; Hearing and Speech Center of Florida, Inc.; InvoHealthCare Associates, Inc.

-How many hours of service were included in the current contract and what was the total dollar value of the current contract?

Hours of service vary and are on an "As Needed Basis." Total dollar value was originally \$200,000 but a supplemental amount of \$200,000 was requested.

-The RFP states that the district will pay invoices monthly. Do you require one monthly invoice for all services, or can we invoice weekly and expect them to be paid once per month?

One monthly invoice to be accompanied by signed (by school administrator or designee) verification logs for all monthly services billed.

-Are you seeking one vendor to provide the entire 10,000 hours of service for the new contract or will multiple vendors be selected?

It is my understanding the RFP Evaluation Review Committee will make this determination upon review of all proposals.

-How many school days during the calendar year require SLP services? Are SLP services provided year round (i.e. during the summer)?

Contracted service delivery may include the full school year or be assigned on an "As Needed Basis." There is no guarantee of the number of contracted hours that will be needed. As staff SLPs are hired, there is less of a need for contracted services.

-How many hours per day constitute a full time SLP caseload (for an individual speech pathologist)? How many days/hours per week?

Services are provided on a daily "Bell-to-Bell Schedule" or on an "As Needed Basis" per the school site where a contract SLP is assigned.

-Are therapists expected to provide services at multiple locations in the same day? If so, how many locations (on average) and how much travel time is involved?

Service delivery may include more than one school site. Travel time between sites is minimal for SLPs providing itinerant services. Assignments are typically given within a regional center.

Do the Speech Pathologists that are hired from agencies work mostly on a full time basis at one school or do they do visits from school to school?

The amount of time given to the SLP are based on the amount of hours that are available and the District can make no guarantees as to whether or not full time hours will be available.

What the current rates are for your contracted therapists?

The range is \$65 - \$125