

**City of Oakland Department of Violence Prevention  
Mental Health Services Request for Qualifications (RFQ)  
Pre-Proposal Conference Questions**

- How many awardees do you anticipate per service category?
  - We anticipate 1 awardee per service category.
- If we do not have a substantial footprint in the City of Oakland and do not meet the L/SLBE program criterion, is our application still eligible for submission under the RFQ?
  - L/SLBE participation is not required to apply but it is required for the contract to be awarded.
- Does the business have to have its principal address in Oakland? Or just serve the residents of Oakland?
  - No, only if acquiring local certification.
- What if your business is not located in Oakland? Is it required that you are certified as a small local business?
  - Yes.
- My trauma therapy center is based in Berkeley and was invited to apply for this RFP by the City of Oakland. The criterion about having a substantial footprint in Oakland is confusing to me. If we are a therapy center located in Berkeley but deliver telehealth services in Oakland, does that rule us out?
  - No, that does not rule you out.
- Even if vendors are not awarded, will the qualification list make the vendors open to other services?
  - No.
- Would the benefits aspect of the living wage requirement also apply to independent contractors?
  - Benefits are not required, but the hourly wage is higher if they are not included.
- Are you able to consider vendors that only meet one service? Versus both service sets?
  - No, an applicant can provide one service or both services. There is no preference.
- Will any reporting be required with services?
  - The dates and times of services will be required. No details notes or descriptions will be required.