DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES/SOCIAL SERVICES ADMINSTRATION (SSA)

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST RESPONSES (EOI) FOR LICENSED CHILD PLACEMENT AGENCY PER DIEM PROVIDERS

QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES #1

Question 1:

If the contracts are for one year and I have placed children during that year, will I continue to get paid for them and keep them in care the following year?

Response:

If you are under a contract with the Department, your agency will receive payment for all youth in care during the period of the contract. If a provider is subsequently not awarded a contract, any youth in care will be transferred to another provider under contract with the Department.

Question 2:

I'm just double checking on this letter of interest. Does this mean current foster care providers under contract need to submit this letter of interest and all the documentation if we want to continue providing foster care?

Response:

Yes, any provider, including current providers must respond to the Expression of Interest if they wish tobe considered for a Child Placement Agency contract to provide services to youth in the care of the Department of Human Resources/Social Services Administration

Question 3

The format for last year's TFC EOI was completed based on DHR's Question and Answer series #3. Will that format be allowable this year or will DHR provide additional guidance? Will we be required to acknowledge this EOI on Maryland's emarketplace?

Response 3:

Yes, the response to the EOI has to be in writing and contain at minimum the elements requested in the EOI which include the licensing documents, program description, staffing plan, organizational chart, etc. Acknowledgement on EMaryland Marketplace is not acceptable.