LETTER OF INTEREST GUIDELINES SPEECH PATHOLOGIST

Eastern Los Angeles Regional Center (ELARC) is accepting applications for the following Purchase of Service (POS):

Service Code / Type: Service Code 116 - Early Start Specialized Therapeutic Services, Speech Pathologist for Children Ages 0 to 3

Reimbursement: Negotiable up to the Current Median Rate

Preferred Languages: Bilingual Spanish/English, Bilingual Cantonese/English, Bilingual Mandarin/English

Service Description:

Speech Pathologist – The Speech Pathologist is responsible for assessing a child's development in areas such as language comprehension, language expression, interaction-attachment, pragmatics, and oral-motor. Treatment plans are then implemented during therapy sessions in order to improve independence in areas such as communication, articulation and fluency.

Speech Pathologists will be required to submit detailed reports for items such as recommended intervention strategies, measureable goals and status updates on all identified areas of need. Reports must be accurate and complete for each individual served.

General Requirements:

Applicants must be validly licensed as a speech pathologist by the Speech-Language Pathologists, Audiologists & Hearing Aid Dispensers Board.

Applicants must have experience with completion of speech/language assessments using current standardized testing tools (Rossetti, DAYC-2, and PLS-5)

A minimum of two years early intervention experience in working with children at risk for having a developmental disability(ies) in the 0 -3 age range/pediatric group in a clinical and/or hospital based setting is preferred.

Applicants must adhere to all applicable laws and regulations as described in the Title 17 California Code of Regulations and the Business and Professions Code for Speech-Language Pathologists, Audiologists & Hearing Aid Dispensers.

Applicants must be comfortable providing services in the individual's or family's home. All services must be provided in the family home or other natural environment. No center-based services are to be provided under this service code. Trailer Bill AB 136 amended Government Code section 95020(d)(5)(A), specifying that early intervention services may be delivered by remote electronic communications. (Amendment effective 7/29/2021)

<u>In addition to the ELARC Cover Page and ELARC Statement of Experience and Qualifications Letter of Interest, Interested Parties Shall Submit:</u>

- Professional resume
- A copy of current Speech Pathology license
- Current printout from California State Board of Speech-Language Pathology & Hearing Aid Dispensers Board showing that the applicant's license is current and in good standing
- A sample assessment and a sample progress report

• A description of which testing tools and measurements will be used during assessments