

TO: SCOTT SWISHER, Ed.D.
FROM: RUSS INBODY, DENISE THEGE
DATE: AUGUST 28, 2013
SUBJECT: NOTICE OF CONTRACTS WITH PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

RATIONALE: The Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Commission has interpreted Nebraska Statute Sec. 49-14,102 to require the Department to disclose, prior to the starting date of the contract, the contracting of services which exceed \$2,000 and which are with an employee of any public agency or a public official, a member of that individual's immediate family, or a business with which that individual is associated. The contractors noted below fall under the definition of 49-14,102 and has a contract which exceeds this dollar limit.

1. Contractor(s): Nebraska Association for the Education of Young Children, Inc
Contract Amount: \$808,000
Scope of Services: Administer the TEACH Early Childhood Nebraska program.
Date of Contract: 10/1/13-9/30/15
Public Employee Relationship: Board members are employed by school districts, universities/colleges and ESUs as listed below.

Michelle Rupiper, University of Nebraska at Lincoln
Crystal Kozak, Southeast Community College
Pat Enevoldsen, Southeast Community College
JoAnna Cordova, UNK Child Care Center Director
Shelley Kahrs, Franklin Elementary Schools Principal
Kim Madsen, Chadron State College Professor
Cheryl Roche, Early Learning Connections Coordinator, ESU #16

2. Contractor(s): Nebraska Mediation Association
Contract Amount: \$5,000
Scope of Services: Provide mediation and outreach/training services.
Date of Contract: 10/1/13-9/30/14
Public Employee Relationship: Board members are employed by the university as listed below.

Kristen Blankley, Assistant Professor of Law at the University of Nebraska College of Law

3. Contractor(s): The Resolution Center (Beatrice)
Contract Amount: \$3,000
Scope of Services: Provide mediation and outreach/training services.
Date of Contract: 10/1/13-9/30/14
Public Employee Relationship: Board members are employed by the Attorney General's office and Nebraska Resource Division as listed below.

Jody Gittins, Deputy, Office of Nebraska Attorney General
Ann Bleed, Board of Directors, Nebraska Resource District

4. Contractor(s): Central Mediation Center (Kearney)
Contract Amount: \$3,000
Scope of Services: Provide mediation and outreach/training services.
Date of Contract: 10/1/13-9/30/14
Public Employee Relationship: Board members are employed by the County Attorney's office as listed below.

Paul Wood, County Attorney, Red Willow County, McCook, NE

5. Contractor(s): Concord Center (Omaha)
Contract Amount: \$3,000
Scope of Services: Provide mediation and outreach/training services.
Date of Contract: 10/1/13-9/30/14
Public Employee Relationship: Board members are employed by UNMC as listed below.

Cindy Ellis, M.D., Nebraska Medical Center

6. Contractor(s): Nebraska Mediation Center (Fremont)
Contract Amount: \$3,000
Scope of Services: Provide mediation and outreach/training services.
Date of Contract: 10/1/13-9/30/14
Public Employee Relationship: Board members are employed by the Courts as listed below.

Honorable Matthew Samuelson, District 6
Robert Denton, Regional Probation Chief

7. Contractor(s): Mediation West (Scottsbluff)
Contract Amount: \$3,000
Scope of Services: Provide mediation and outreach/training services.
Date of Contract: 10/1/13-9/30/14
Public Employee Relationship: Board members are employed by the City of Gering as listed below.

George Holthus, Captain, Gering Police Department

8. Contractor(s): The Mediation Center (Lincoln)
Contract Amount: \$3,000
Scope of Services: Provide mediation and outreach/training services.
Date of Contract: 10/1/13-9/30/14
Public Employee Relationship: Board members are employed by school districts and county/city as listed below.

Richard Becker, Executive Director, Southeast Community College Education Foundation
Kristen Blankley, University of Nebraska College of Law
Gwen Combs, Assoc. Professor, Dept of Management, UNL
Sharilynn Bullock, Special Ed Coordinator, Lincoln North Star High School
Susan Dunn, ADA Specialist, Southeast Community College
Tony Hernandez, Juvenile Division, Douglas County Attorney's Office
Brenda Jones, Deputy Clerk, Clerk of the Lancaster County District Court
Roger Lott, Research Assistant Professor, Center on Children Families and the Law
June Pederson, Director, Lincoln Area Agency on Aging
Linda Sanchez-Masi, Deputy Clerk, Clerk of the Lancaster County District Court
Ron Snyder, Director of Continuing Education, Southeast Community College
Honorable Laurie Yardley, Lancaster County Judge
Terry Werner, Nebraska Chapter, National Association of Social Workers

9. Contractor(s): Sue Bainter
 Contract Amount: \$49,900
 Scope of Services: Assist in planning, developing and implementing statewide initiatives and professional development activities for IDEA Part B 619 (Preschool) and IDEA Part C (Infants/Toddlers) that address young children with disabilities birth to five and their families.
 Date of Contract: 10/1/13-9/30/14
 Public Employee Relationship: Sue is an employee of UNL.
10. Contractor(s): Autism Center
 Contract Amount: \$100,000
 Scope of Services: Provide a Supported Employment Program for individuals with Autism.
 Date of Contract: 10/1/13-9/30/14
 Public Employee Relationship: Board members are employees of UNMC (Bruce Buehler), OPS (Rosemary Cook), Douglas County (Marc Kraft), and Region V Services (Dave Merrill).
11. Contractor(s): Goodwill Industries of Greater NE, Inc
 Contract Amount: \$150,000
 Scope of Services: Provide a supported employment program for individuals with acquired brain injury.
 Date of Contract: 10/1/13-9/30/14
 Public Employee Relationship: Board member (Teresa Luther) is a District Court Judge, Hall County, State of Nebraska.
12. Contractor(s): Ollie Webb Center, Inc
 Contract Amount: \$60,000
 Scope of Services: Provide a supported employment program for individuals with acquired brain injury.
 Date of Contract: 10/1/13-9/30/14
 Public Employee Relationship: Board members are employees of Omaha Public Power and Douglas County.
13. Contractor(s): Mental Health Association of Nebraska, Inc
 Contract Amount: \$130,000
 Scope of Services: Provide a Behavioral Health Supported Employment Program.
 Date of Contract: 10/1/13-6/30/14
 Public Employee Relationship: Board member Brenda Mae Stinson is an employee of DHHS.
14. Contractor(s): Liberty Centre
 Contract Amount: \$85,000
 Scope of Services: Provide a Behavioral Health Supported Employment Program.
 Date of Contract: 10/1/13-6/30/14
 Public Employee Relationship: Board members are employees of Norfolk Regional Center (Kevin Piske) and Nebraska Legislature (Jim Scheer).

15. Contractor(s): Goodwill Industries of Greater NE, Inc
Contract Amount: \$325,000
Scope of Services: Provide a Behavioral Health Supported Employment Program in GI/K/H.
Date of Contract: 10/1/13-6/30/14
Public Employee Relationship: Board member (Teresa Luther) is a District Court Judge, Hall County, State of Nebraska.
16. Contractor(s): Goodwill Industries of Greater NE, Inc
Contract Amount: \$85,000
Scope of Services: Provide a Behavioral Health Supported Employment Program in NP.
Date of Contract: 10/1/13-6/30/14
Public Employee Relationship: Board member (Teresa Luther) is a District Court Judge, Hall County, State of Nebraska.
17. Contractor(s): Community Alliance
Contract Amount: \$235,000
Scope of Services: Provide a Behavioral Health Supported Employment Program.
Date of Contract: 10/1/13-6/30/14
Public Employee Relationship: Board members (Linda Cunningham and Stephanie Samson) are employees of UNMC.
18. Contractor(s): Don Crouch
Contract Amount: \$25,836
Scope of Services: Serve as interim Office Director for VR Lincoln Office.
Date of Contract: 9/9/13-11/30/13
Public Employee Relationship: Spouse is an employee of NDE.