



TO: Matthew L. Blomstedt, Ph.D.
Commissioner of Education

FROM: Melody Hobson

SUBJECT: Purchase IT services through Nebraska Office of the Chief Information Officer

Proposed Board Action:

Grant the Commissioner the authority to purchase IT services from the Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO) in support of the Early Childhood Professional Record System and IT work through the state approved Covendis IT procurement system.

Background Information:

The state of Nebraska operates a Time and Materials Procurement system, entitled Covendis, that provide access to pre approved quality IT services suppliers. The process of requisition, interview, and contracting occurs through the system. The rates for different individuals hired for tasks and services through the system are based on market rates and provide a more efficient engagement of IT services.

The services would provide temporary staff augmentation for the creation of the Early Childhood Professional Record System in support of the "Step up to Quality" Act that includes the Quality Rating and Improvement System.

Estimated Cost:

The estimated maximum costs would not exceed \$250,000.

Supporting Documentation Included:

Project charter with OCIO

For Additional Information on this item:

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