

**Name of Proposed Contractor:** Rochelle Mowinkel

Initial Date of Posting This Public Notice:

6/1/26

NDE Contract Number:

46366

Contract Amount:

\$6,181.25

Contract Dates:

6/15/26 to 7/24/26

Scope of Services:

The Contractor will plan and facilitate the NDE JumpStart Educator Institute, July 13–16, 2026, in Lincoln, Nebraska, designed to support educators teaching Career and Technical Education (CTE) courses under the Career Education Teaching Permit or participating in the Transitional Certification Program. The Institute shall provide foundational professional learning focused on instructional practice, classroom management, curriculum development, and successful implementation of high-quality CTE programming.

Public Employee or Public Official Relationship:

Works for Milford Public Schools, teacher, educator, full-time

NDE Team Responsible for the Contract:

Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education

Email address and phone number for contacting the responsible team:

[Katie.graham@nebraska.gov](mailto:Katie.graham@nebraska.gov) (402)937-2809

**Name of Proposed Contractor:** Michelle Fedon

Initial Date of Posting This Public Notice:

6/2/26

NDE Contract Number:

46361

Contract Amount:

\$20,000.00

Contract Dates:

6/8/26 to 6/30/26

Scope of Services:

Disability Determinations Section (DDS) evaluates Nebraska residents' eligibility for Social Security and Supplemental Security Income disability benefits on behalf of the Social Security Administration. Federal law mandates that each case be reviewed by a physician, psychologist, APRN, physician assistant, optometrist, or speech language pathologist to ensure proper consideration of medical aspects. To meet these requirements, DDS must secure sufficient support from consultants in medicine, psychology, and speech and language pathology. All DDS medical consultants must hold an active license with the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services.

Public Employee or Public Official Relationship:

Works for Nebraska Dept. of Corrections APRN, full-time

NDE Team Responsible for the Contract:

Disability Determination Section

Email address and phone number for contacting the team responsible:

Angela Sjuts [angela.sjuts@ssa.gov](mailto:angela.sjuts@ssa.gov) (531) 310-9785

**Name of Proposed Contractor:** Rebecca (Becky) Dunlap-Morton

Initial Date of Posting This Public Notice:

6/3/26

NDE Contract Number:

47029

Contract Amount:

\$6,800.00

Contract Dates:

7/1/26 to 6/30/27

Scope of Services:

This contractor meets the Step Up to Quality Observer Qualifications, has extensive education and experience in the early childhood field, with many years specific to evaluation of childcare programs and demonstrates reliability to one or more of the observation tools and is able to travel to the assigned providers/programs. They will provide program quality observations and deliver training to early childhood educators.

Public Employee or Public Official Relationship:

Works for ESU 3

NDE Team Responsible for the Contract:

Office of Early Childhood

Email address and phone number for contacting the team responsible:

Melody Hobson, [melody.hobson@nebraska.gov](mailto:melody.hobson@nebraska.gov) (402)860-4055

**Name of Proposed Contractor:** Najeeb Shekalb

Initial Date of Posting This Public Notice:

6/11/26

NDE Contract Number:

47034

Contract Amount:

\$100,000.00

Contract Dates:

7/1/26 to 6/30/27

Scope of Services:

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Public Employee or Public Official Relationship:

Works for Nebraska Dept. of Health and Human Services full-time; spouse Nabila Shekaib and sister Razia Ebrahim employed at NDE.

NDE Team Responsible for the Contract:

Disability Determination Section

Email address and phone number for contacting the team responsible:

Angela Sjuts [angela.sjuts@ssa.gov](mailto:angela.sjuts@ssa.gov) (531) 310-9785

**Name of Proposed Contractor:** Peetz Koerwiz & Lafleur, PC LLO

Initial Date of Posting This Public Notice:

6/22/26

NDE Contract Number:

47042

Contract Amount:

\$ 49,999.00

Contract Dates:

7/1/26 to 6/30/27

Scope of Services:

Jim Titus, from Peetz Koerwiz & Lafleur, PC LLO, will serve as a hearing officer for the following case types assigned to him by the Nebraska Department of Education: (1) Professional Practices Cases, (2) Teacher Certification Appeal Cases, (3) Vocational Rehabilitation Cases, (4) Nutrition Services Cases, and (5) Option Enrollment Cases.

Public Employee or Public Official Relationship:

Wife of one of the law firm's partners is an employee at Crete Public Schools.

NDE Team Responsible for the Contract:

Office of Legal Services

Email address and phone number for contacting the team responsible:

Ami Huff, [ami.m.huff@nebraska.gov](mailto:ami.m.huff@nebraska.gov) (402) 219-3541

**Name of Proposed Contractor:** Michelle Fedon

Initial Date of Posting This Public Notice:

6/25/26

NDE Contract Number:

47048

Contract Amount:

\$100,000.00

Contract Dates:

7/1/26 to 6/30/27

Scope of Services:

Disability Determinations Section (DDS) evaluates Nebraska residents' eligibility for Social Security and Supplemental Security Income disability benefits on behalf of the Social Security Administration. Federal law mandates that each case be reviewed by a physician, psychologist, APRN, physician assistant, optometrist, or speech language pathologist to ensure proper consideration of medical aspects. To meet these requirements, DDS must secure sufficient support from consultants in medicine, psychology, and speech and language pathology. All DDS medical consultants must hold an active license with the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services.

Public Employee or Public Official Relationship:

Works for Nebraska Dept. of Corrections APRN, full-time

NDE Team Responsible for the Contract:

Disability Determination Section

Email address and phone number for contacting the team responsible:

Angela Sjuts [angela.sjuts@ssa.gov](mailto:angela.sjuts@ssa.gov) (531) 310-9785

**Name of Proposed Contractor:** Cline Williams Wright Johnson & Oldfather LLP

Initial Date of Posting This Public Notice:

6/25/26

NDE Contract Number:

47054

Contract Amount:

\$49,999.99

Contract Dates:

7/1/26 to 6/30/27

Scope of Services:

Susan K. Sapp, from Cline Williams Wright Johnson & Oldfather, L.L.P., will serve as a hearing officer for the following case types assigned to her by the Nebraska Department of Education: (1) Professional Practices Cases, (2) Teacher Certification Appeal Cases, (3) Vocational Rehabilitation Cases, (4) Nutrition Services Cases, and (5) Option Enrollment Cases.

Public Employee or Public Official Relationship:

Wife of one of the law firm's partner is an employee of the State of Nebraska.

NDE Team Responsible for the Contract:

Office of Legal Services

Email address and phone number for contacting the team responsible:

Ami Huff, [ami.m.huff@nebraska.gov](mailto:ami.m.huff@nebraska.gov) , (402)219-3541

**Name of Proposed Contractor:** Baylor Evnen Wolfe & Tannehill, LLP

Initial Date of Posting This Public Notice:

6/25/26

NDE Contract Number:

47055

Contract Amount:

\$49,999.99

Contract Dates:

7/1/26 to 6/30/27

Scope of Services:

Melanie J. Whittamore-Mantzios, from Baylor Evnen Wolfe & Tannehill, L.L.P., will serve as a hearing officer for the following case types assigned to her by the Nebraska Department of Education: (1) Professional Practices Cases, (2) Teacher Certification Appeal Cases, (3) Vocational Rehabilitation Cases, (4) Nutrition Services Cases, and (5) Option Enrollment Cases.

Public Employee or Public Official Relationship:

Partner at law firm serves as a Commissioner on the Commission of Industrial Relations.

NDE Team Responsible for the Contract:

Office of Legal Services

Email address and phone number for contacting the team responsible:

Ami Huff, [ami.m.huff@nebraska.gov](mailto:ami.m.huff@nebraska.gov) , (402)219-3541

**Name of Proposed Contractor:** Koukol Johnson

Initial Date of Posting This Public Notice:

6/25/26

NDE Contract Number:

47056

Contract Amount:

\$49,999.99

Contract Dates:

7/1/26 to 6/30/27

Scope of Services:

Wenday A. Wussow, from Koukol Johnson, will serve as a hearing officer for the following case types assigned to her by the Nebraska Department of Education: (1) Professional Practices Cases, (2) Teacher Certification Appeal Cases, (3) Vocational Rehabilitation Cases, (4) Nutrition Services Cases, and (5) Option Enrollment Cases.

or Public Official Relationship:

Partner at the law firm serves as a Mental Health Board Hearing Officer with Douglas County, Nebraska.

NDE Team Responsible for the Contract:

Office of Legal Services

Email address and phone number for contacting the team responsible:

Ami Huff, [ami.m.huff@nebraska.gov](mailto:ami.m.huff@nebraska.gov) , (402)219-3541