# AMEND BOARD REPORT 06-0322-PR15 APPROVE EXERCISING THE FIRST OPTION TO RENEW THE AGREEMENTS WITH VARIOUS AGENCIES AND RATIFY AGREEMENTS WITH NEW AGENCIES FOR NURSING CONSULTANT SERVICES

# THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve exercising the first option to renew the agreements with various agencies to provide nursing services to the Department of Specialized Services at a cost for the option period not to exceed the aggregate amount of \$4,500,000. Written documents exercising this option are currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to any agency prior to the execution of that agency's written document. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind as to each agency in the event a written document for such agency is not executed within 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to these options is stated below.

The Office of Specialized Services is not exercising the renewal option for Home Health Network, Inc. and Positive Positions Inc.

This amended Board Report is necessary to ratify agreements with three (3) new agencies to avoid interruption of the critical nursing services provided by the additional agencies being added via Supplemental RFP Specification No. (03-250177A). The new agencies are being added to increase service capacity. Written agreements for the three additional agencies are currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to the three new agencies prior to execution of that agency's written agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind as to each agency in the event a written agreement for such agency is not executed within 90 days of the date of this amended Board Report. Additionally, this Board Report is being amended to delete Omega Health Care Network for failing to execute its agreement for the first renewal option.

#### **AGENCIES:**

Omega Health Care Network

1717 Howard Street Evanston, Illinois 60202

Contact Person: Dr. Eduardo Ladlad or Nelia Laurel, CEO Telephone No. 847-425-9089 Fax No. 773-381-9101-02

Vendor No. 20577

2. Relief Medical Services, Inc.

323 E. Ontario

Chicago, Illinois 60611

Contact Person: Barbara Strongin, Regional Director Telephone No. 847-679-6065 Fax No. 847-679-3183

Vendor No. 39307

3. 24-7 Brightstar Healthcare, LLC f/k/a Healthy Care Solutions, LLC

150 N. Michigan Ave., Suite 2800

Chicago, Illinois 60601

Contact Person: Rebecca Atwood, Executive Director Telephone No. 312-382-8888 Fax No. 312-906-8282

Vendor No. 67640

4. Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc.

1011 Lake Street, Suite 308

Oak Park, IL 60301

Contact Persons: Rick Ferrer and Megan Chapman

708-358-9212

Vendor # 22122

5. ATC Healthcare Services, Inc.
 7250 College Drive, #1 NE
 Palos Heights, IL 60463
 Contact Person: Jerry R. Bishop and Mitch Weiner
 708 361-5874
 Vendor # 91538

6. American Home Health, Inc.

1460 North Farnsworth Ave., Suite #4

Aurora, IL 60505

Contact Person: Jane Fulfs, RN,BSN, President
630-236-3501

Vendor # 31855

# **USER:**

Office of Specialized Services 125 S. Clark Street- 8<sup>th</sup> Floor Chicago, Illinois 60603 Contact Person: Renee Grant-Mitchell, Ed.D. Telephone No. 773-553-1800

**ORIGINAL AGREEMENT:** The original Agreement (authorized by Board Report 04-0324-PR33) in the aggregate amount not to exceed \$1,900,00.00 is for a term commencing April 1, 2004 and ending March 31, 2006, with the Board having 2 option(s) to renew the agreements for 2 year terms. The original agreement was awarded on a competitive basis pursuant to Board Rule 5-4.1.

**OPTION PERIOD:** The term of the agreements is being extended for 2 years commencing April 1, 2006 and ending March 31, 2008. The term of the agreements for the three (3) new agencies being added via the Supplemental RFP Specification No. (03-250177A) will commence on November 1, 2006 and shall end March 31, 2008 and will have one option to renew for a two-year period.

**OPTION PERIODS REMAINING:** There is 1 option period for 2 years remaining.

SCOPE OF SERVICES: Agencies will continue to provide nursing services to students with disabilities as detailed in their Individualized Educational Plans (IEPs) and Section 504 Educational Plans mandated by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). These services supplement those services not available from providers employed by the Chicago Public Schools. These services will be provided on an as needed basis and will include: gastrostromy, tube feedings, tracheostomy care, ventilator care, administration of medication, special care for diabetes, epilepsy, asthma, and other medical care as necessary.

**DELIVERABLES:** The agencies will continue to provide direct nursing/health services to CPS medically fragile students as necessary and they will provide reports as requested by the Office of Specialized Services.

**OUTCOMES:** Agencies services will enable medically fragile students to achieve better school attendance and improved classroom participation.

**COMPENSATION:** Consultants shall be paid during this option period / initial term as follows:

Agency Name:	Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)	Registered Nurse (RN) Hourly
	Hourly Rate:	Rate:
Omega Health Care Network	\$ <del>25.00</del>	<del>\$32.00</del>
Relief Medical Services, Inc.	\$28.00	\$32.00
24-7 Brightstar Healthcare, LLC	\$28.00	\$32.00
Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc.	\$32.00	\$36.00
ATC Healthcare Services, Inc.	\$34.00	\$39.00
American Home Health, Inc.	\$33.00	\$39.00

The total compensation for all agencies in the aggregate shall not exceed the sum of \$4,500,000.

**AUTHORIZATION:** Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written option documents <u>and new agreements</u>. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the option documents <u>and new agreements</u>. Authorize Chief of Specialized Services to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate the option agreements.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** The M/WBE goals for this contract include: 26% MBE and 5% WBE. Pursuant to Section 6.2 of the Revised Remedial Contract Participation (M/WBE Plan), the Per Contract and Category Goals method for M/WBE participation will be utilized. Therefore, all vendors on this contract will be monitored on a monthly basis by the Office of Business Diversity.

**LSC REVIEW:** Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

FINANCIAL: Charge to Office of Specialized Services: \$1,500,000

Budget Classification: 0965-210-000-3650-5410 Charge to Office of Specialized Services: \$1,500,000 Budget Classification: 0965-210-000-3650-5410 Charge to Office of Specialized Services: \$1,500,000 Budget Classification: 0965-210-000-3650-5410 Fiscal Year: 2006 Source of Funds: 210 Fiscal Year: 2007 Source of Funds: 210 Fiscal Year: 2008 Source of Funds: 210

# **GENERAL CONDITIONS:**

Inspector General – Each party to the agreement shall acknowledge that, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-13.1, the Inspector General of the Chicago Board of Education has the authority to conduct certain investigations and that the Inspector General shall have access to all information and personnel necessary to conduct those investigations.

Conflicts – The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board member during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their terms of office.

Indebtedness – The Board's Indebtedness Policy adopted June 26, 1996 (96-0626-PO3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Ethics – The Board's Ethics Code adopted June 23, 2004 (04-0623-PO4), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Contingent Liability – The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

**Approved for Consideration:** 

Heather A. Obora Chief Purchasing Officer

Within Appropriation:

**J**ohn Maiorca

**Chief Financial Officer** 

Approved as to legal form:

Patrick J. Rocks

**General Counsel** 

**Arne Duncan** 

**Chief Executive Officer**