QUESTION 1:

referencing Section 1:  1.3.1(deliverables) #1

Can the contractor coordinate and deliver evidence-based mental health and substance abuse related programming to juveniles in the Hamilton, Humboldt, Wright, Calhoun, Pocahontas and Webster County Decat area by virtual means(e.g. telephonic, video conferencing)?

ANSWER: yes- you may provide services by virtual means, however in-person services with a direct provider present would be preferred.

QUESTION 2:

referencing Section 1:  1.3.1(deliverables) #8

 If virtual services are considered, would virtual community outreach events be considered?- certainly as  a convenience  for both students and parents.

ANSWER: Yes- virtual community outreach events would be acceptable.

QUESTION 3:

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(Duration of Contract) What is the anticipated dollar amount awarded per year for each additional contract year?

ANSWER: The current funding available for this contract is $88,000.00. The ability to renew the contract for each additional year is contingent upon availability of funding. Funds not expended from the contract the previous year would be carried over to the following year. The initial funding for the first year (5 months) would be $85,000.00. The second and third year would be $2,000.00 and $1,000.00. If additional funding becomes available or is identified it could be added to this contract. However, there is no guarantee additional funding would be available.

QUESTION 4:

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What is the anticipated number of students requiring mental health and substance abuse referrals that we can expect to process a day/week/month?

ANSWER: The current anticipated number of students requiring mental health services on average has been around 25 per month in the past in a three-county area. The current anticipated number of students requiring substance abuse services is unknown at this time as this is a new service that has not been offered in the Decat Clusters previously.

QUESTION 5:

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Are the Location or office space to provide confidential services to be provided by schools at no cost to bidder?

ANSWER: It is anticipated that the schools would agree to provide space for confidential services as a courtesy to the students they serve. However, there has been no agreement or understanding established with the schools at this point. We would leave those negotiations up to the contractor to manage and address.

QUESTION 6:

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Does the government intend for invoicing to be based on the number of referrals plus community events, or will another method be used?

ANSWER: The Contractor shall bill services provided to Medicaid, Private Insurance, and other available funding sources first with Decat being funder of last resort. The contractor shall be reimbursed at the current Medicaid rate for services provided. Regarding community outreach events, the Contractor can be reimbursed for those events at an agreed upon rate.

QUESTION 7:

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Can the government provide an estimate of the total number of resources it anticipates requiring for the duration of the contract?

ANSWER: The current resources available for this contract are $88,000.00. There is no guarantee that additional resources will be available.