



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2020-2021

LFIR # 2017

1. **Project Title** DNA Comprehensive Therapy Care Model2. **Senate Sponsor** Lizbeth Benacquisto3. **Date of Request** 12/11/20194. **Project/Program Description**

The goal of the Comprehensive Care Model ('CCM') is to provide an interdisciplinary team of professionals who can provide a comprehensive treatment approach to children with Autism Spectrum Disorder. The specific combination of therapies will depend on the specific child's deficits. Likewise, the specific areas of impairment will inform the clinical approach and most appropriate team to provide services.

Some individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorder have difficulties associated with changes in routine or changes in environments, and often have a need for predictability. Regardless of which services a client receives, he/she will be familiar with the staff and environment at DNA Comprehensive Therapy.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds** Agency for Persons with DisabilitiesState Agency contacted? ☒ Yes ☐ No6. **Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2020-2021**

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	1,667,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	000
Total State Funds Requested	1,667,000

7. **Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 (including matching funds available for this project)**

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	1667000	100.0 %
Matching Funds		
Federal	00	0 %
State (excluding the amount of this request)	00	0 %
Local	00	0 %
Other	00	0 %
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2020-2021	1,667,000	100 %

8. **Has this project previously received state funding?** ☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2019-20	00	1,000,000		No

9. **Is future-year funding likely to be requested?** ☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year. 1,667,000



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10. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	Project Lead	75,000
Other Salary and Benefits	Care Coordinator	49,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Occupancy costs, supplies, testing equipment, computers, office equipment	150,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	Therapists, BCBA, BCABA, RBT's, OT, OTA's, SLP, SLPA's, Psychiatrist, Medical Assistant	1,380,500
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Travel, assessments, supplies	12,500
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		1,667,000



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11. Program Performance

- a. What specific purpose or goal will be achieved by the funds requested?

Participants will acquire many necessary and valuable skills that will provide immediate job opportunities that would otherwise be unavailable to them. Eye contact, communication, self regulations.

- b. What activities and services will be provided to meet the intended purpose of these funds?

Counseling, Psychiatry, Occupational Therapy, Speech Therapy, Behavior Analysis

- c. What direct services will be provided to citizens by the appropriation project?

Counseling, Psychiatry, Occupational Therapy, Speech Therapy, Behavior Analysis

- d. Who is the target population served by this project? How many individuals are expected to be served?

Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder. Approximately 85.

- e. What is the expected benefit or outcome of this project? What is the methodology by which this outcome will be measured?

Help children develop necessary skills to establish healthy, age appropriate peer relationships. Learn to engage with other children and experience social acceptance.
Behavior Assessment System for Children, Behavioral and Emotional Rating Scale, Pediatric Symptom Checklist.

- f. What are the suggested penalties that the contracting agency may consider in addition to its standard penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures provided for in the contract?

Financial penalties



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12. The owners of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owners of the facility and the entity.

n/a

13. Requestor Contact Information

- a. First Name Last Name
- b. Organization
- c. E-mail Address
- d. Phone Number Ext.

14. Recipient Contact Information

- a. Organization
- b. Municipality and County
- c. Organization Type
- ☐ For-profit Entity
 - ☐ Non-Profit 501(c) (3)
 - ☐ Non-Profit 501(c) (4)
 - ☐ Local Entity
 - ☐ University or College
 - ☒ Other (please specify)
- d. First Name Last Name
- e. E-mail Address
- f. Phone Number

15. Lobbyist Contact Information

- a. Name
- b. Firm Name
- c. E-mail Address
- d. Phone Number Ext.