

Hawaii Department of Health
Adult Mental Health Division (AMHD)
Request for Information (RFI) Response Summary
RFI No. AMHD 420-9-21
Cellblock Medical Services Program
Statewide

A Request for Information (RFI) for the Cellblock Medical Services Program was issued on April 1, 2021, to obtain community input in preparation for developing a Request for Proposals for this service. The AMHD received two responses from the community in response to this RFI. Below is a summary of the responses received through this process as they relate to the questions from the RFI.

The AMHD asked if organizations currently provide or have provided in the past, nursing services. If yes, in what geographic location was the service provided, for what length of time, and if services were provided in a police cellblock. One Respondent stated that they currently provide nursing services on the island of Oahu; their organization has approximately 5 years of experience; and none of their nursing services were provided in a police cellblock. The other Respondent stated that they currently provide nursing services on the islands of Oahu, Maui, Big island, Kauai, Lanai, and Molokai; their organization has 15+ years of experience; and none of their nursing services were provided in a police cellblock.

The AMHD asked if organizations currently provide or have provided in the past, forensic program services. If yes, in what geographic location was the service provided and for what length of time. One Respondent provided forensic program services on the island of Oahu, for 5+ years. The other Respondent has not provided forensic program services.

The AMHD asked Respondents to identify any local demographic or geographic concerns, resource issues, or other special conditions that exist in your county. The Respondents identified the following challenges: working throughout the islands, working with Island leaders, and working with a budget for running services safely and legally may have slight variations across the islands due to capacity.

The Respondents did not anticipate any other logistical challenges to provide this service.

Both Respondents had concerns with AMHD's proposed hourly rates for this service. The Respondents included personnel in their proposed staffing structure that conflicted with the proposed staffing that AMHD utilized in the past to perform a similar service.

Both Respondents indicated that they would submit a proposal application if an RFP was released for this service.

The AMHD appreciates the feedback received from the community in response to this RFI. The constructive feedback and recommendations will be reviewed and taken into consideration when developing the scope for this service. The AMHD plans to release an RFP for this service.