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**AMENDMENT #2  
  
to the Request for Application for**

**Provider Technology Grant**

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**BID# BD-24-1039-EHS01-ASHWA-91596**

**RFA Issue Date: August 3, 2023**

**Amendment #1 Issue Date: September 7, 2023**

**Amendment #2 Issue Date: September 22, 2023**

The **Request for Applications for Provider Technology Grants** issued by the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS) on August 3, 2023, is hereby amended as follows:

1. **Section 1** of the RFA is hereby amended
   1. in the third paragraph by adding the phrase “Section 9817 of,” after the word “from” and before the phrase “the American Rescue Plan Act;” and
   2. by deleting the existing list of objectives and inserting in place thereof:
2. Improve the delivery of HCBS services for MassHealth members.
3. Support providers of HCBS with much needed hardware and software advancements to improve their service delivery and track quality of compliance with HCBS person-centered planning.
4. Improve interaction with members through enhanced communication and information sharing between providers, patients, and state and local agencies.
5. Streamline operations and allow for the improvement of processes by ensuring technologies are up to date.
6. Improve clinical care and care coordination by leveraging hardware and software to support the delivery of care.
7. Create opportunities for innovation by removing barriers created by a lack of technology or outdated technology.
8. Support providers to focus on advancing health equity and improving outcome of their service delivery.
9. **Section 3** of the RFA is hereby amended by inserting the following in the first paragraph:

“or has experience serving individuals receiving HCBS.”

1. **Section 4.A** of the RFA is hereby amended by
   1. Deleting the first paragraph in its entirety; and
   2. Deleting the word “provider’s” as it appears in the sentence before the table and replacing it with the word “Applicant’s.”
2. **Section 4.B** of the RFA is hereby amended by
   1. Deleting the word “impermissible” as it appears and replacing it with the word “ineligible;”
   2. Deleting the word “Audio-books” as it appears and replacing it with the word “Audiobooks;” and
   3. Deleting the word “provider’s” as it appears and replacing it with the word “Applicant’s.”
3. **Section 5.1** of the RFA is hereby amended by deleting the word “organization” as it appears and replacing it with the word “Applicant.”
4. **Section 5.2A** of the RFA is hereby amended by deleting “required at the end of the grant period” as it appears and replacing it with “required within 60 days of the end of the grant period.”
5. **Section 5.3** of the RFA is hereby amended by inserting the following below the existing table:

“If there are more qualified Applicants than available funds, Applicants that serve a high ratio of Medicaid-eligible individuals or have not previously received ARPA funds will be prioritized.”

1. **Section 6** of the RFA is hereby amended by deleting the title in its entirety and inserting in place thereof:

“SECTION 6: GRANT PROGRAM INFORMATION”

**Section 8.5** of the RFA is hereby amended by deleting paragraphs 4, 5, and 6 in their entirety.

1. **Section 9.1.2** of the RFA is hereby amended by deleting the paragraph in its entirety and inserting in place thereof:
2. “The Committee will then review the materials from the third-party vendor and complete final evaluations and recommendations for awardees and award amounts. In addition to the information provided in an Applicant’s application, the Committee may consider any relevant information about the Applicant known to EOHHS, including identifying applicants who serve primarily Medicaid-eligible individuals in alignment with Section 9817 of the ARPA to enhance, expand, or strengthen Medicaid HCBS. The Committee will also take into account the preferences as set forth in Section 5.3. The third-party vendor may provide the Committee with technical assistance, as the Committee deems necessary, during its review.”
3. **Section 10** of the RFA is hereby amended by deleting the table in its entirety and inserting in place thereof:

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| **Provider Technology** |  | |
| **RFA released** | | **August 3, 2023** | |
| **Deadline for receipt of written questions on the RFA** | | **August 11, 2023** | |
| **Bid Opening Date (Deadline for Applications)** | | **September 29, 2023 by 5:00 P.M.** | |
| **Awardees and award amounts determined (anticipated)** | | **December 1, 2023** | |
| **Executed Contracts due from Awardees to EOHHS (anticipated)** | | **December 22, 2023** | |
| **Projected Contract start date (anticipated)** | | **January 2, 2023** | |