

MEMORANDUM

To: Potential Suicide Prevention (SP) RFP Proposers

From: CalMHSA

RE: Superior Region of Counties has considered their needs and presents the following criteria for Suicide Prevention proposals.

The California Counties of the Superior Region have considered Regional needs in developing criteria for reviewing proposals to implement the Statewide PEI Suicide Prevention Initiative.

This information provided by Superior Region Counties does not modify, reduce or change in any manner the requirements identified in the Work Plan and Suicide Prevention RFP. The Superior Region Counties choose this method to communicate with prospective proposers and interested parties about criteria they feel most important regarding current needs in relation the Work Plan and SP RFP.

The Superior Region Counties present the following criteria for the Statewide PEI Suicide Prevention Initiative proposals:

The successful proposer will:

1. Have knowledge of region areas, preferably having provided services in rural/frontier Northern California.
2. Be familiar with customs and cultures of rural/frontier areas.
3. Be familiar with the demographics of Northern California.
4. Be familiar with services, including transportation, in the Region, beyond having a resource list.

5. Be familiar with the challenges of service access and delivery in rural/frontier areas, including weather, geography, and limited resources.
6. Be available to meet in Superior Region counties periodically to work with departments and stakeholders.
7. Hire staff members who reflect the ethnic, racial, and socioeconomic diversity of the region, whenever possible.

We would encourage CalMHSA to extend the time frame for response to the RFP if no received proposal adequately addresses these issues.

