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September 25, 2012

His Excellency, Governor John H. Lynch
And the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, NH 03301

*Retrospective
100% Teacher Certification Fund*

REQUESTED ACTION

1. Authorize the Department of Education to pay the State Consortium on Educator Effectiveness (SCEE) of the Council of Chief State School Officers (CCSSO), Vendor Code 170715, an FY 13 annual service fee in the amount of \$18,500.00. 100% Other Funds

Funds to come from the following account:

010-05600-62040000-026-500251 \$18,500.00 100% Other Funds

EXPLANATION

The Council of Chief State School Officers (CCSSO) has a State Consortium on Educator Effectiveness (SCEE) to address issues of educator effectiveness. CCSSO designed the Consortium with active input from chiefs, deputies, and state agency staff dedicated to teacher and school leader policy.

Listed below are answers to standard questions required for Governor and Council organization dues and membership approval submissions:

1. How long has this organization been in existence and how long has this agency been a member of this organization?

The Council of Chief State School Officers (CCSSO) has a newly formed (three years) State Consortium on Educator Effectiveness (SCEE) to address issues of educator effectiveness.

2. Is there any other organization which provides the same or similar benefits which your agency belongs to?

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No. Since this service is only available through CCSSO, this is a sole source contract.

3. How many other states belong to this organization and is your agency the sole New Hampshire state agency that is a member?

Representatives from forty-five states have voiced their interests and needs in three different design meetings. The New Hampshire Department of Education is the sole state agency eligible for membership.

4. How is the dues structure established? (Standard fee for all states, based on population, based on other criteria, etc.)

Standard fee for all states

5. What benefit does the state receive from participating in this membership?

New Hampshire has the opportunity to collaborate on this coordinated work as it shapes the policies and practices that serve to improve the effectiveness of our educators. Within CCSSO's broader strategy for systemic transformation, the State Consortium on Educator Effectiveness will address a limited number of priority actions that will help New Hampshire increase the effectiveness of teaching and leading in order to improve student achievement and eliminate disparities.

The new Consortium will work to build New Hampshire's capacity within the priority topics described above and articulate and address key state level needs in those areas. Specific deliverables include:

- 1) A new knowledge base and tools responsive to state needs
- a) Model state policy frameworks, guidelines, roadmaps, and legislative language
- b) Case studies of state actions
- c) Policy briefs focused on state interests
- d) Web-based platforms for information sharing, including video images of exemplary practices linked to the student, teaching, and leading standards

6. Are training or educational/ research materials included in the membership? If so, is the cost included? Explain in detail.

1. Monthly topical webinars
2. Consortium webinars that the membership fee includes take place every other month for state members.
3. A new knowledge base and tools responsive to state needs
4. Model state policy frameworks, guidelines, roadmaps, and proposed legislative language
5. Case studies of state actions
6. Policy briefs focused on state interests
7. Web-based platforms for information sharing, including video images of exemplary practices linked to the student, teaching, and leading standards
8. Collective state action including networking, partnerships, and advocacy around state-level needs, contexts, and priorities for reform

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9. Broker state relationships (with governors, legislators, unions, national organizations, etc.)
 10. Facilitate cross-state networking on a highly interactive web-based platform that allows for focused work groups on specific subtopics
7. Is the membership required to receive any federal grants or required in order to receive or participate in licensing or certification exams? Explain.

No

8. Is there any travel included with this membership fee? Explain in detail any travel to include the number of employees involved, the number of trips, destination if known and purposes of membership supported trips.

Yes:

National Summit

- a) An annual conference will be convened to allow for knowledge transfer, cross-state collaborative work sessions, and individual state planning. Participants will hear from experts in the field on the systemic issues raised throughout the year, meet with job-alike colleagues from other states, and work with facilitators on state team planning and review.
 - b) Two Focus meetings will focus on Teacher Preparation (Charlotte, NC) and the role of leadership in Teacher Evaluation (Baltimore).
9. Which state agency employees are directly involved with this organization? (Indicate if they are members, voting members, committee members, and/or officers of the organization.

The Administrator of the Bureau of Credentialing and the Administrator of Bureau of Integrated Programs, under the direction of the Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner, are directly involved with this organization. The SCEE does not have voting members.

10. Explain in detail any negative impact to the State if the Agency did not belong to this organization.

The Department does not have the capacity to provide the research, technical assistance and support to school districts that is available through SCEE.

Respectfully submitted,


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Commissioner of Education



Request for Invoice Form
State Consortium on Educator Effectiveness (SCEE)
FY 2012-2013 State Participation Fee

State Name: N.H. Date of request: 7/27/12
 Primary Contact for Accounting and Invoice: Judith Fillion
 Address: 101 Pleasant St.
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 Name of State Account Used: _____
 Purchase Order Number: _____

Team Lead Contact(s) representing state education agency:

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| Name: <u>Kempson</u> | Name: _____ |
| Title: <u>Administrator Bureau</u> | Title: _____ |
| Address: <u>of Credentialing</u> | Address: _____ |
| <u>N.H. Dept. of Education</u> | _____ |
| <u>101 Pleasant St. Concord, NH 03301</u> | _____ |
| Phone: _____ | Phone: _____ |
| Fax: _____ | Fax: _____ |
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Billing information--Special wording or payment schedule requested:

State payment options:

- \$18,500 Full State Membership
- \$9,500 Virtual State Membership
- \$9,500 State Standards Board

Authorization for payment: Print name: Virginia M. Barry
 Date: 7/27/12 Title: Commissioner of Education

Authorized signature for invoice and payment: Virginia M. Barry

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| Description | Qty | Price | Amount |
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| NH-SCEE FY13 | | | 18,500.00 |

2013 MEMBERSHIP DUES FOR SCEE
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Invoice Total: 18,500.00

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