

## Human/Client Services ACS Annual Plan FY' 12

### **Part II: New Program Initiatives/Substantially Restructured Programs For which Contracts Have Been/May Be Competitively Solicited**

#### **Program Title – EarlyLearn**

#### **Description/Purpose of Program -**

NYC, ACS' contracted early care and education system, will serve approximately 42,000 children through center-based care and home-based care settings. In partnership with the City's Department of Education (DOE), the Department of Youth and Community Development (DYCD), and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DOHMH), EarlyLearn NYC will play a critical role in delivering the City's comprehensive community-based early care and education services. This RFP is soliciting early care and education services within center-based services and home-based settings. EarlyLearn NYC will utilize multiple funding sources to provide the highest quality of care.

#### **Target Population –**

Through this RFP, ACS intends to serve approximately 42,000 children. Across EarlyLearn NYC programs, ACS anticipates awarding slots within child age-groups (infant, toddler and pre-schooler) between center-based and family child care settings throughout the City. For the purposes of this RFP and contracts "Infants" are defined as children who are between 6 weeks and 12 months of age; "Toddlers" are defined as children who are between 12 months and 24 months of age; and "Pre-Schoolers" are defined as children who are older than 2 years of age, but under 5 years of age.

#### **Service Levels/Performance Requirements -**

<b>EarlyLearn NYC Slot Distribution Estimates by Setting, and Age Category</b>			
<b>Children to be Served</b>	<b>Center-Based Slots</b>	<b>Family Child Home-Based Care Slots*</b>	<b>Grand Total</b>
Infant (6 weeks - 12 months)	208	2,800	3,008
Toddler (12 months - 24 months)	2,640	2,940	5,580
Pre-schooler (older than 2 years of age, but under 5 years)	28,309	1,260	29,569
CC and HS Dually Eligible Pre-schooler	3,607	N/A	3,607
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>34,764</b>	<b>7,000</b>	<b>41,764</b>

\* Family Child Care slots will be awarded in increments of 200 slots.

#### **Site Requirements (If Applicable) -**

Sites should meet all relevant building, fire, and health codes and should be ready to accommodate the full range of early care and education activities by the contract start date, and no later than 90 days after the start of the contract term.

**Payment Terms (Incl. Per Participant Rates, If Applicable) -**

All EarlyLearn NYC services will be paid a daily rate in connection with a child’s enrollment or attendance.

**Required Funding Match (If Applicable) –**

ACS requires all contractors to contribute to the cost of care. The “Contractor Contribution” must equal, at least, six point seven percent (6.7%) of total annual operating costs.

**Anticipated Contract Term –**

It is anticipated that the term of the contracts awarded from this RFP will be for an initial period of four (4) years from September 1, 2012 through August 31, 2016. The contract may include an option to renew for one additional two (2) year term.

**Anticipated Evaluation Criteria -**

- Demonstrated quantity and quality of successful relevant experience. 20%
- Demonstrated level of organizational capability. 40%
- Quality of proposed approach. 40%

	<b>Total # Contracts</b>	<b>Total \$ Value</b>	<b>Geographical Location(s)</b>	<b>Actual/Anticipated RFP Issuance Date</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	350	\$486,990,000	Citywide	5/23/2011