**IFP 2021-HCS-3000**

**Addressing the Behavior Therapist Shortage Work Plan Template**

**(Must be submitted with proposals)**

***Timeline, Person Responsible, Offeror’s Response to Planned Scope of Work and Services to be populated by offeror.***

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| **Scope of Work Prescribed Tasks** | **Timeline** | **Person Responsible** | **Offeror’s Response to Planned Scope of Work and Services** |
| Identify and convene a collaborative task force that includes representation from one or more universities and applied behavior analysis (ABA) therapists, the Florida Association for Behavior Analysis, and the Agency for Health Care Administration, along with membership of university representatives of behavior analysis academic training programs, agencies providing Registered Behavior Technician training and behavior analytic services, practicing behavior analysts, Medicaid, private insurance, agencies, and families to serve in an advisory capacity for a study designed to address the lack of access to ABA therapists. |  |  |  |
| Conduct a research study to minimally address the following:   1. Investigate legislative rule, policy briefs, and certification requirements for the practice of behavior analysis 2. Identify at what level of practitioner the shortages of personnel are occurring, the barriers to the supply, and ways to increase the number of available personnel (e.g., increase training sites, reimbursement rates). |  |  |  |
| Develop recommendations to increase the number of behavior analysts at all levels, certified by the Behavior Analysis Certification Board or other appropriate credentialing body. |  |  |  |