Questions and Answers

1. **Question:** Component 4.6 of the proposal refers to Integration with Education Reform. In prior fiscal years this section was deemed not applicable to this particular work. Please explain how the work proposed in this NOFA is influenced by the Education Reform as well as where additional information can be obtained pertinent to this section.

**Answer:**

The contractor shall:

- Disregard the following language:
  - “School Improvement Team plan”; and
  - “Local school systems’ (LSS) master plan”.
- Replace the above language with:
  - “Pre-K Expansion Plan”; and
  - “Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) Consolidated plan”.

The contractor shall address the following questions:

- How does this project help meet the goals and objectives of the Pre-K Expansion Plan?
- How does this project fit into the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) Consolidated plan?
- How does this project help meet State educational standards (e.g., MD College and Career Readiness Standards, Next Generation Science Standards, etc.)?
- How does this project help meet national education goals or fit into national initiatives?
- Does the project coordinate efforts with other projects currently underway?
- Are there plans for future projects that will coordinate with this one?
- Will resources be shared to increase efficiency and cost effectiveness?