



GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF
COMMUNITY HEALTH

NOTICE OF DIRECT AWARD

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PLANS DIVISION (MEDICAID)

UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA RESEARCH FOUNDATION, INC.

**THE NEUROPSYCHIATRIC EEG-BASED ATTENTION DEFICIT
HYPERACTIVITY DISORDER ASSESSMENT AID (NEBA®) STUDY
MONITORING GRANT**

LEGISLATIVE MANDATE

**POSTING DATE: MONDAY, MAY 8, 2017
INQUIRY CLOSING DATE: FRIDAY, MAY 12, 2017**

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DIRECT AWARD JUSTIFICATION

UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA RESEARCH FOUNDATION, INC.

NEBA STUDY MONITORING GRANT

AGENCY BACKGROUND	<p>The Georgia Department of Community Health (DCH) was created in 1999 by Senate Bill 241 and has the responsibility for insuring over two million people in the State of Georgia, maximizing the State's health care purchasing power, coordinating health planning for State agencies and proposing cost-effective solutions for reducing the number of uninsured. Within DCH, the Medical Assistance Plans Division administers the Medicaid and PeachCare for Kids® programs which provides health care for children, pregnant women, and people who are aging, blind and/or disabled.</p>
PROGRAM OVERVIEW	<p>The Department of Community Health, Medical Assistance Plans Division is a medical assistance program that provides health coverage for children under 19 years of age, pregnant women, and families with dependent children under 19 years of age, and people who are aged, blind and/or disabled and whose income is insufficient to meet the cost of necessary medical services. Medicaid is funded by federal and state governments with Georgia Department of Community Health (DCH) and the Georgia Department of Human Services (DHS) working together to process applications and make Medicaid eligibility determinations.</p> <p>On March 22, 2016, the Georgia Legislature appropriated funds in the FY2017 budget to the Department of Community Health (DCH) to evaluate cost savings measures through accurate diagnoses of attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) through a neuropsychiatric EEG-based attention deficit hyperactivity disorder assessment aid (NEBA®).</p> <p>NEBA® is an FDA cleared and patented medical device that helps clinicians more accurately diagnose ADHD through a brainwave test that complements information from traditional ADHD tests.</p>
AWARD JUSTIFICATION	<p>DCH intend to award University of Georgia Research Foundation, Inc. in the amount of \$25,000.00 as a legislative mandate to include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Ensuring the reliability and validity of the data that is collected;2) Determining whether or not the data may be generalizable to the Georgia Medicaid population;3) Monitoring and informing the department regarding the research design, study protocols, and decisions made to ensure objectivity;4) Providing expert recommendations for decision points as the NEBA study progresses;5) Reviewing the data (subjects, sample size, data integrity, and measurement methods), statistical methods, and the results/conclusions provided by NEBA Health; and6) Providing other assistance as needed and identified by the department. <p>DCH presents this funding as a legislatively mandated direct award in that University of Georgia Research Foundation, Inc. utilize funding to evaluate cost-saving measures through accurate diagnosis of ADHD through NEBA and report back to the Georgia General Assembly by July 1, 2017 .</p>
AWARD(S)	TOTAL DIRECT AWARD FUNDS AVAILABLE: \$25,000.00

TO SUBMIT INQUIRIES TO THIS DIRECT AWARD NOTIFICATION

Joanne Mitchell, Grants Manager at jmitchell@dch.ga.gov no later than 2:00 PM on Wednesday, May 10, 2017.