



# Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street  
Chicago, IL

## Legislation Text

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### **PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT**

**Department(s):** Office of the Chief Judge, Circuit Court of Cook County

**Vendor:** Center for Divorce Education, Athens, Ohio

**Request:** Authorization for the Chief Procurement Officer to extend contract

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Online Parenting Education

**Original Contract Period:** 11/1/2012 - 10/31/2015 with two (2), one (1) year renewal options

**Proposed Contract Period Extension:** 11/1/2016 - 10/31/2017

**Total Current Contract Amount Authority:** \$0; no cost contract to Cook County

**Original Approval (Board or Procurement):** 10/30/2012, no cost contract to Cook County

**Previous Board Increase(s) or Extension(s):** 10/07/2015, 11/1/2015 - 10/31/2016, no cost contract to Cook County

**Previous Chief Procurement Officer Increase(s) or Extension(s):** N/A

**This Increase Requested:** \$0

**Potential Fiscal Impact:** FY 2016: \$0 cost, \$0 revenue; FY 2017: \$0 cost, \$12,900 estimated program cost reimbursements revenue to County

**Accounts:** 300-186

**Contract Number(s):** 12-23-288

#### **Concurrences:**

The vendor has met the Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise Ordinance.

The Chief Procurement concurs.

**Summary:** The Center for Divorce Education (CDE) operates an online parenting education course for parents with children appearing in the Circuit Court's Domestic Relations Division, pursuant to section 404.1 of the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act and Illinois Supreme Court Rule 924. Participants are ordered by the court to complete either this online course or the court's Focus On Children classroom course.

Either option generally requires four to five hours to complete. In calendar year 2015, more than 4,000 parents completed the online course.

This proposed amendment exercises the second of the two (2) no-cost, one-year renewal options available in contract #12-23-288 with CDE. Terms of service and pricing during the renewal period are unchanged from the original contract period. There is no cost to Cook County for the contract. The online course is paid by the participants at a rate of \$39.95 each. Cook County receives a portion of those fees, estimated at \$12,900 per year, to offset program costs.

This contract was awarded through the Request for Proposal (RFP) procedures in accordance with the Cook County Procurement Code. Center for Divorce Education was selected based on established evaluation criteria.