

**OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL**

**EMERGENCY PROCUREMENT AUTHORIZATION FORM**

In accordance with 62 Pa.C.S. § 516, the Office of Attorney General may authorize an emergency procurement when there exists a threat to the public health, welfare or safety or circumstances outside the control of the agency create an urgency of need which does not permit the delay involved in using more formal competitive methods. Furthermore, in accordance with 62 Pa.C.S. § 106.1(b)(6), if approved, this authorization form must be posted on the Office of Attorney General's publicly accessible website.

<b>Requesting Office</b>	Child Predator Section		
<b>Vendor Name</b>	Valliere & Counseling Associates, Inc.		
<b>Brief Description of Service</b>	Expert witness		
<b>Estimated Amount</b>	TBD		
<b>Requesting Office</b>		<b>Date</b>	01/03/2020
<b>MSD Director</b>	<i>Shari L. McWhaw</i>	<b>Date</b>	1/10/2020
<b>Legal Review</b>	<i>Alyssa Smith</i>	<b>Date</b>	1/10/2020

**JUSTIFICATION:**

The OAG has the authority to select an expert witness without competitive selection pursuant to 62 Pa.C.S. § 515, but due to change in plea made several days before the trial is to start, the expert needed to begin working immediately and could not wait to negotiate a contract. Therefore, circumstances outside the control of the agency created an urgency of need which required this emergency procurement.