Proximity/Accessibility
Proximity to higher percentage/number of families
Centrally accessible to all families served by the facility
Technology infrastructure to support multiple methods of communication (e.g. broadband)
Proximity to tribes

Transportation
Availability of public transit
Near major highways
No long distances on rural roads
Commute distance should be shorter in urban than rural settings

Workforce
Near university/technical college
Pool of qualified staff
Diversity and cultural awareness
Strong medical and mental health care systems with workforce
Communities where staff want to live, including reasonable commute times

Community Resources
Treatment/service providers for facilities, community, families, and aftercare
Near universities with research and initiatives
Hospital and other medical services, including pediatric
Proximity to a population base for community involvement (volunteers, etc.)
Build on existing relationships
School district that is willing to partner

Land Considerations
In a mid-size city/region
Consider possibility of building on state land (from either DOA list)
If state land not available, consider land acquisition costs (public or private)
Green space (or ability to make it green)
Adjacencies (approachable/welcoming environment, neighborhood, businesses, etc.)
Consider amount and impact of snowfall
Consider if 5-7 acres is sufficient