

ADDENDUM ONE QUESTIONS and ANSWERS 116390 O3 Coroner's Autopsy Services

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To: All Bidders

From: Carrie DeFreece, Procurement Contracts Officer
Department of Health and Human Services

RE: Addendum for Request for Proposals Number 116390-O3, Coroner's Autopsy Services, to be opened October 24, 2023, at 2:00 p.m. Central Time

Questions and Answers

Following are the questions submitted and answers provided for the above mentioned Request for Proposal. The questions and answers are to be considered as part of the Request for Proposal. It is the Bidder's responsibility to check the State Purchasing Bureau website for all addenda or amendments.

Question #	Page #	Section	Question	Answer
1.	22	Required Insurance Coverage	<p>Contractor's Pollution Liability & Cyber Liability - Can this requirement be removed? This is not applicable to autopsy services and would place an unnecessary financial burden on the contractor in order to secure such coverage.</p> <p>Due to the fact that this contract pertains to the deceased, the cyber liability requirement seems excessive. Could this be decreased to \$1,000,000 in coverage?</p> <p>Could the Commercial Crime be decreased to \$600,000?</p>	<p>The following revisions are made to Section (III)(G) Insurance Requirements:</p> <p>Contractor's Pollution Liability & Cyber Liability is removed from the requirement.</p> <p>Cyber Liability is decreased to \$1,000,000 in coverage.</p> <p>Commercial Crime is decreased to \$600,000.</p>
2.	28	Section (V)A – Items 4 and 5	Expecting a 30 day turnaround time on autopsy cases is not reasonable. Prior to completing a report, our	The language of Section(V)(A)(4-5) is revised to read:

			<p>pathologists must conduct the autopsy, wait on toxicology results (which takes weeks), and request and receive police reports and medical record reports from various facilities. While our goal is to provide reports as quickly as possible, our pathologists need time to obtain all pertinent records and perform a thorough analysis prior to signing out a case.</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>is inspected and governed by CAP (College of American Pathologists). Their requirements state the following:</p> <p>“ANP.33120 The final autopsy report is produced within 60 working days in 90% of the cases. Note: The 90% threshold is used in recognition of the fact that occasional unusual cases may require more than 60 days for completion, particularly when external consultation is required.”</p> <p>I believe a similar requirement would be pertinent for this contract. Could we change the language to state that 90% of cases must meet the 60 business day requirement so that it is in line with the pertinent governing agencies?</p>	<p>4. The Contractor shall provide any drug-related autopsy results to the County Coroner according to the schedule governed by the College of American Pathologists (CAP). “ANP.33120 - The final autopsy report is produced within 60 working days in 90% of the cases. Note: The 90% threshold is used in recognition of the fact that occasional unusual cases may require more than 60 days for completion, particularly when external consultation is required.”</p> <p>5. The Contractor shall provide any drug-related autopsy results according to Section V(E)(1)(c) to DHHS within sixty (60) business days from receipt of the subject to be autopsied.</p>
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This addendum will become part of the proposal and should be acknowledged with the Request for Proposal.