

ADDENDUM TWO QUESTIONS and ANSWERS

Date: August 24, 2020

To: All Bidders

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AS Materiel State Purchasing Bureau

RE: Addendum for Request for Proposal 6325 Z1 to be opened on September 15, 2020, 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.

<u>Question Number</u>	<u>RFP Section Reference</u>	<u>RFP Page Number</u>	<u>Question</u>	<u>State Response</u>
1.	Addendum One	Q&A 18, Page 3	<p>The answer states "Yes, the EAPG updates will include the hospital's EAPG base rates. The State anticipates to rebase the hospital EAPG base rates no earlier than 2023 and no later than 2025." Where should the price for performing the rebase of the hospital EAPG base rates be included on the Option 6 Cost Proposal?</p> <p>Should the bidder's response to 6.5 include a draft work plan for performing the rebase of the hospital EAPG base rates?</p>	<p>Please see revised posted RFP, Attachment A Option 6 and 7, Cost proposal Option 6 and 7.</p> <p>The bidder's response to 6.5 should include a draft work plan that meets all elements of the scope of work, as identified in RFP section V. F. 6.</p>
2.	Cost Proposal	Option 6	<p>The estimated quantity for Rebasing for the initial five year contract term is two. The estimated quantity for Rebasing for the six option years is one. The RFP states that rebasing will be completed every 3-5 years. For consistency between bidders, which optional period and renewal year should the cost for rebasing be included?</p>	<p>The cost for rebasing shall be provided at a yearly rate. If the State elects rebasing during one of the optional renewal terms, the State shall be invoiced at the rate submitted in the cost proposal for that period.</p>
3.	V.A. Option 1: Long Term Care	Pages 29 and 30	<p>Is there an incumbent for this work? If so, who is that incumbent and what is the total</p>	<p>DHHS does not have a current contract for Long Term Care Reimbursement.</p>

	Reimbursement		contract value? We note that in “Addendum One, Questions and Answers,” dated August 10, 2020, the Department’s responses to questions 21 and 22 indicated that there was an incumbent for this work, but the links provided reference only the contracts for incumbents related to (1) DSH reporting and auditing (Myers & Stauffer), (2) UPL demonstrations and DSH payment calculations (Navigant/Guidehouse), and (3) the quarterly supplemental/state directed payments to the University of Nebraska Medical Center (Myers & Stauffer). If there is an incumbent for the Long Term Care Reimbursement work, or for any elements such as provider rate-setting, desk audits and field audits, can similar information related to the Option 1 scope of work be made available as well?	
4.	V.A.4.b. and c.	Pages 29 and 30	This section specifies that the contractor shall perform desk audits and field audits per 471 NAC 12 and 471 NAC 31. The language in 471 NAC 12 and 471 NAC 31 does not appear to reference either the desk audit or field audit processes or requirements. Can the Department share more information on the audit scope and procedures expected under this contract for desk audits and field audits? Alternatively, can the Department share more information on the audit procedures that have been applied under desk and field audit requirements in past years?	471 NAC 12 has recently been revised and the language pertaining to rate setting and reimbursement methodology was removed from Chapter 12. However, Nebraska Legislative Bill LB 1053 was passed in July 2020, requiring the Department to adopt and promulgate rules and regulations regarding the rate methodology for nursing facility services. (rate and reimbursement language will be added back to Chapter 12). See the attached Legislative Bill, Attachment E. The Department requires the contractor to apply the Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), Nebraska Medicaid Regulations, Statutes, Laws, and the Nursing facility services industry best practices to determine allowable costs and reimbursement.

This addendum will become part of the RFP and should be acknowledged with the Request for Proposal response.