STATE OF ALASKA

Department of Administration Division of Retirement and Benefits



Medical Claims Administrator and Managed Network, Dental Claims Administrator and Network

RFP 19000025

Amendment #14

December 18, 2018

RFP Announcements:

<u>The State intends to provide bidders with new medical repricing files separated for active</u> <u>employees, non-Medicare retiree members, and Medicare-eligible retiree members.</u> The State intends to release these files by Friday, December 21, 2019 or as soon as is administratively possible. Bidders will be notified of the release of the updated files via written amendment to the RFP.

In anticipation of the release of the new files, the deadline for the receipt of proposals for the Medical/Audio/Vision Services lot will be extended to January 7th, 2019.

Please note: the deadline for the receipt of proposals for the Dental Services lot remains Thursday December 27, 2018.

This amendment is being issued to answer questions submitted by potential offerors and to provide additional important information. In addition to adhering to any changes made to the RFP by this amendment, offerors must use Submittal Form 1 - Offeror Information to acknowledge this amendment.

Questions submitted by potential offerors and answers from the State:

- Question 186: For bidder's planning on submitting the Dental and Medical RFPs as early as tomorrow, what are the options? While we understand that new files for Medical will be released, we'd like to submit both our bids and only re-submit if the new files actually change our responses. If ProposalTech has not been set up for two bids by then, is there potential that our responses will be lost?
- **Answer:** ProposalTech has now been configured to allow bidders to submit their proposal for the Medical/Vision/Audio Services lot and their proposal for the Dental Services lot in accordance with the separate due dates for each lot (outlined in RFP section 1.03 *RFP Schedule*). The Dental Services lot submission is due 12/27/18, and the Medical/Audio/Vision Services lot submission is due 1/7/19. If you wish to submit your bid early, please be aware of 2 AAC 12.140:

2 AAC 12.140. PRE-OPENING CORRECTION OR WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS.

(a) A bid may be corrected or withdrawn by written request received by the office designated in the invitation for bids before the time and date set for opening.

(b) A request under (a) of this section must provide authorization for the person making the correction or withdrawal to do so.

(c) If a bid is withdrawn, the bid security, if any, shall be returned to the bidder.

(d) All documents relating to the correction or withdrawal of a bid shall be included in the appropriate procurement file. (Eff. 1/1/88, Register 104)

Authority: AS 36.30.040 AS 36.30.160

If you submit a proposal in ProposalTech and then wish to resubmit your entire proposal or specified portions of your proposal, you must notify the Contracting Officer in writing as specified above. The Contracting Officer will then have the necessary portions of the proposal unlocked in ProposalTech for you to edit and resubmit. Please be aware that any resubmissions will replace any previous submissions. For offerors interested in submitting their bids early, please note that all solicitation amendments must be acknowledged in the addenda acknowledgement section of submittal form 1.

Question 187: In Medical Submittal Form 11, Section 2.13.6.1: What data are bidders to enter into the "Primary Location" column? What is meant by "Primary Location?" <u>Answer:</u> "Primary Location" refers to the location offerors are providing information for. Because this information is provided in the previous column, titled "3-Digit Zip Code", the "Primary Location" column has been deleted in its entirety.

Changes to ProposalTech:

+ 4 Confidential Information and Contract Provisions Upload

The following section has been separated and moved into both submittal form packets. To submit your confidential and proprietary information and contract provisions document for medical/audio/vision lot please use section 2.16. To submit confidential and proprietary information and contract provisions document for the dental lot please use section 3.15.

Section 2.13.6.1

The "Primary Location" column has been deleted in its entirety.

End of Amendment #14