STATE OF ALASKA

Department of Health and Social Services
Division of Finance and Management
Services



COVID-19 STATEWIDE FACILITIES SCREENING, TESTING, AND VACCINATION

RFP 2021-0600-4767

Amendment #2

March 17, 2021

This amendment is being issued to answer questions submitted by potential offerors and to provide additional important information. Offerors must use Submittal Form A – Offeror Information to acknowledge this amendment.

Please note that to ensure the project schedule remains on track, the questions period is closed and the deadline for receipt of proposals remains March 24, 2021, at 2:00 p.m. Alaska Time.

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Questions submitted by potential offerors and answers from the state:
(Note: the question numbering reflects a continuation from RFP Amendment #1)

Question 59: Will the state require the contractor to bill the contractor's insurance for vaccine administration? Is billing of insurance in lieu of the pass-through cost for each individual vaccinated?

Answer:

The contractor is responsible for billing their insurance to recoup vaccine administration costs in accordance with CDC/federal guidelines.

Question 60: Who is responsible for shipping tests after packaging to the state or commercial lab? Will the state provide or pay for shipping from the collection site to the commercial or state lab or will the responsibility be on the contractor to deliver to the lab? If the state will pay for shipping, is this a pass-through cost or does it need to be factored into each test?

Answer:

The contractor is responsible for packaging, shipping, and delivery of tests to the appropriate lab. Offerors should incorporate shipping costs into their cost proposal under pass-through costs for each individual tested.

Question 61: Who is responsible for decontamination of the site? Will that be added to this scope of work? Will the state provide a separate contractor similar to UAA operations? For instance, jury duty, positive or symptomatic patient identified, area will need to be decontaminated.

Answer:

The contractor will be responsible for handling test specimens and decontamination in accordance with CDC/federal guidelines:

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/lab/guidelines-clinical-specimens.html#handlingspecimens-safely

https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-registration/list-n-disinfectants-coronavirus-covid-19

Question 62: Is the firm fixed price per the RFP the "cost" column or the "total" column?

Answer:

The cost column. The total column is based on the proposed rates x the estimates in column E and is for cost evaluation purposes.

Question 63: If an individual gets tested multiple times, will the state pay for both tests? (some individuals demand multiple tests on multiple days)

Answer:

The State will pay for all tests, however, the State will decide how many times and individual will be tested. The offeror should use the estimates provided on Submittal Form G to incorporate test costs into their cost proposal under pass-through costs for each individual tested.

Question 64: There are 2 different answers to the same question; does the state pay for either test? Rapid or molecular? Question 48 and 51 conflict.

Answer:

The State will pay for either test.

End of Amendment #2