

#### **Replacement MMIS Notification #2**

#### **February 4, 2011**

# 1 Purpose

The purpose of this notification is to provide a strategy update for the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (SCDHHS) Replacement Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS) project.

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This document is not an RFP. The State is not seeking proposals at this time.

## 2 Updated Scope

The State has updated the contracts it intends to consolidate into the Replacement MMIS contract. The list below represents the current plan. This list is subject to change.

- Legacy MMIS
- Third Party Liability Services
- Interactive Voice Response System
- Quality Improvement Organization
- Dental Administrative Services Organization
- Medicaid Operations
- National Correct Coding Initiative
- Prior Authorization Services (for advanced imaging)

## 3 Schedule Update

Although it will extend the procurement timeline, the State believes that publishing a draft Request for Proposals (RFP) will improve the quality of both the solicitation and the proposals. At this time, the State plans to publish this draft in a Request for Information (RFI) in March. The State will allow vendors approximately three weeks to submit suggestions and questions to the State. At approximately the mid-point of this period, the State will host an all-day review session with vendors in Columbia, SC. The purpose of this session is to walk through the RFP in a detailed fashion to permit vendors to ask questions and allow the State to communicate its intent in a fashion that enhances vendor understanding of the RFP.

Because the number of attendees at the vendor review session will drive scheduling a suitable facility, the State requests that vendors interested in attending the review session indicate their interest by sending an e-mail to fbo@scdhhs.gov with the estimated number of attendees from



the vendor's organization. While this is not a binding commitment, the State would appreciate a reasonably accurate count in order to schedule a suitable meeting location with the lead time necessary. Please provide attendance estimates no later than **February 18, 2011**.

The State plans to publish the final RFP in the April/May timeframe. Proposal preparation time is likely to be approximately 90 days, and given the use of a draft RFP, this time is unlikely to be extended.

# 4 Solicitation Strategy

Other than the change to the contracts intended for retirement via the Replacement MMIS, the strategy remains largely unchanged from the October 2010 Notification.

At this point, the State plans to incorporate a Statement of Objectives (SOO) into the RFP. This will allow Offerors significant latitude in proposing solutions. Additionally, the State plans to focus the business operations around the Medicaid Information Technology Architecture (MITA) business processes, and the system functionality around the Medicaid Enterprise Certification Toolkit (MECT) certification checklists, enhanced with State-specific objectives and system review criteria. As stated in the October 2010 Notification, detailed requirements, business rules, etc., will be documented after contract award.

Vendors considering bidding on this contract may wish to consider mapping their solutions to the MITA business processes and the MECT certification checklists in preparation for publication of the RFP.

#### 5 Related Activities

The State is still evaluating its strategies for test management and Independent Verification & Validation (IV&V).

## **6** Procurement Library

The State published the initial increment of the Procurement Library in November 2010. See additional information at:

https://www.fbo.gov/index?s=opportunity&mode=form&tab=core&id=4b446262ce8f76aa8ef8c67b01472478

The second increment is now available. Vendors already having access to the Procurement Library may login and retrieve the second update. Other interested vendors may obtain directions and access to the non-disclosure agreement at the link provided above.

### **6.1 Vendor Questions**

As the State plans to publish a draft RFP in the near future on which vendors will be encouraged to submit questions and recommendations, the State is not accepting questions at this time.