

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
Department of Human Services
600 East Boulevard Avenue, Dept. 325
Bismarck ND 58506

RFP AMENDMENT

RFP NUMBER AND TITLE: #325-05-10-016, Medicaid Systems Project DDI

DEADLINE DATE FOR RECEIPT OF PROPOSALS AND TIME: 3:00 P.M. C.T., September 1, 2005

AMENDMENT NUMBER: #1

DATE AMENDMENT ISSUED: August 1, 2005

The above referenced RFP is hereby amended as follows:

1. The Project has been renamed the Medicaid Systems Project replacing the former name of the MMIS Systems Replacement Project.
2. The Project Director, Project Manager and Project Office roles are now renamed Program Director, Program Manager and Program Office. A Program Sponsor role has been added.
3. Section 2.10 – “Bid Proposal Opening” is hereby amended to revise the second paragraph to read as follows:

DHS intends to disclose the identity of bidders who have submitted letters of Intent to Bid and Bid Proposals on the procurement website. The identities of the bidders will be disclosed on the Medicaid Systems Project when the Letter of Intent to Award Contract is released, on or about November 10, 2005.

4. Section 3.12.2 – “Liquidated Damages” is hereby amended as follows:

To be determined and will be documented in a subsequent Amendment.

5. Section 6.2.1, Table 11 – “Key Personnel Qualifications / Requirements” is hereby amended as follows:

For the Pharmacy Point of Sale (POS) and Decision Support Systems/Data Warehouse components only, the vendor’s Project Manager may serve in other capacities. The MMIS vendor’s Project Manager may not serve in any other position within the Project.

6. Section 7.1.1.18 – “System Maintenance” is hereby renamed to “System Warranty / Maintenance”. Further, the second and third bulleted lines in this section are deleted.
7. Section 7.1.1.19 – “Software Upgrade Process” is amended to read as follows:

The vendor must provide a description of how upgrades to its core applications are announced and distributed to the State. This section includes requirements for the vendor’s release management and upgrade process. Further, the vendor must address updates to any third-party component(s) proposed as a part of the vendor’s solution, including whether the vendor will warranty operation of the solution in the event of 3rd-party software upgrades.

Requirements:

The Bidder Must:

1. Provide a high-level description of their Software Upgrade process. This description should include unique or innovative features and describe the advantages/benefits to the Department.
2. Provide a comprehensive software release management and upgrade strategy that encompasses all vendor application software. This must include a description of how the vendor will inform the Department as to the scope of changes made on behalf of the Department to the originally installed version of all affected components in the new release. This description will provide the Department with an indicator of the amount of effort required to implement the original changes to the newly released component.
3. Provide a comprehensive software release management and upgrade strategy that encompasses all required third-party software products.
8. Section 7.2.6.1, requirement #19 is added as follows:
 19. The MMIS system will generate the Medicaid Statistical Information System (MSIS) 2082 electronic file to CMS.
9. Section 7.3.2.1.2 – “Interfaces” is hereby amended to add “POS Claims History File” as a required interface.
10. Section 7.3.2.2.1 – “Retrospective Drug Utilization Review (RetroDUR) - *Functional Requirements*” is amended to delete requirement #10, “As part of the RetroDUR process, the POS System must identify any recipients or providers that need to be referred to SURS.”
11. Section 7.3.3.1.2 – “Inputs” is hereby amended to delete requirement #6 “Other data requests from vendors, as needed, due to open record laws”.
12. Section 7.3.3.1.3 – “Outputs” is hereby amended to delete requirement #6 “Other data requests from vendors, as needed, due to open record laws”.
13. Section 8.4.8 – “Pilot Test” is hereby rephrased to “Pilot Deployment” in all instances within this RFP.
14. Section 8.4.8.2, number 2, second bullet, 5th item in the list is hereby amended to delete the requirement for bilingual materials.

Vendors are instructed to acknowledge the receipt of this amendment by signing below and returning the acknowledgement to the Procurement Officer by no later than 3:00 P.M., Central Time on August 12, 2005.

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

By my signature below, I hereby acknowledge this Amendment to the above referenced solicitation.

NAME OF COMPANY

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

DATE