

Notice of Request for Quotations

RFQ # YH16-0023

Consultation for Specialty Medical Services

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LOCATION: ARIZONA HEALTH CARE COST CONTAINMENT SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION (AHCCCS)

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DESCRIPTION:	Consultation for Specialized Medical Services		
QUOTE DUE DATE:	March 7, 2016	AT 3:00 P.M. ARIZONA TIME	

QUESTIONS CONCERNING THIS SOLICITATION SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE PROCUREMENT OFFICER NAMED ABOVE, IN WRITING, VIA E-MAIL BY **February 17, 5:00 PM** ARIZONA TIME ON THE QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS FORM PROVIDED WITH THIS RFP. ANSWERS TO ALL QUESTIONS WILL BE POSTED IN THE AHCCCS WEBSITE IN THE FORM OF A SOLICITATION AMENDMENT FOR THE BENEFIT OF ALL POTENTIAL OFFERORS.

Quotes/Bids must be in the actual possession of AHCCCS on or prior to the time and date and at the location indicated above.

Late quotes/bids shall not be considered.

OFFER AND ACCEPTANCE

OFFER

The undersigned Offeror hereby agrees to provide all services in accordance with the terms and requirements stated herein.

Arizona Transaction (Sales) Privilege Tax License No.:		For clarification of this offer, contact:	
		Name:	
Federal Employer Identification No.:			
		Title:	
E-Mail Address:		Phone:	
Company Name		Signature of Person Authorized to Sign Offer	
Address		Printed Name	
City State	Zip	Title	
	CERTIFICATION		
loan, gratuity, special discount, trip, favor, or servic signature affirming the stipulations required by this shall void the offer, any resulting contract and may	nds to give at any time her ce to a public servant in co s clause shall result in reje be subject to legal remed	reafter any economic opportunity, future employment, gift, innection with the submitted offer. Failure to provide a valid ction of the offer. Signing the offer with a false statement lies provided by law. is not a small business with less than 100 employees	
ACCEPTANCE	T OF OFFER /to be some	mlated by ALICCCC)	
Your offer, including all exhibits, amendments and find now bound to provide all services listed by the attachments, etc., and the Contractor	iched contract and base or's Offer as accepted b billable work or to prov	f any), contained herein, is accepted. The Contractor is ed upon the solicitation, including all terms, conditions, by AHCCCS.	
This contract shall henceforth be referred to as	Contract No.		
	CONTRACT SERVICE	START DATE:	
	AWARD DATE:		
	MEGGAN HARLEY	, MSW, CPPO, AHCCCS Procurement Manager	

SCOPE OF WORK

1. AHCCCS OVERVIEW

AHCCCS is the single state Medicaid agency for the State of Arizona. In that capacity it is responsible for operating the Title XIX and Title XXI programs through the State's 1115 Research and Demonstration Waiver, which was granted by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. As of December 1, 2015, AHCCCS provides coverage to approximately 1.8 million members in Arizona.

AHCCCS uses federal, state, county, and provider assessed funds to provide health care coverage to the state's acute and long-term care Medicaid populations. Since 1982, AHCCCS has operated under a federal Research and Demonstration 1115 Waiver which allows for the operation of a total managed care model. AHCCCS also manages the Medicaid Fee for Service (FFS) program in Arizona which includes the American Indian Health Program (AIHP). American Indians and Alaska Natives enrolled in AHCCCS or Children's Health Insurance Program may choose to receive their coverage through the AIHP or one of the AHCCCS-contracted managed health plans. As of December 1, 2015 there were 117,623 members enrolled in the AIHP.

Additional information may be found on the AHCCCS website reporting page: http://www.azahcccs.gov/reporting.

2. PROJECT OR SERVICE OVERVIEW/BACKGROUND

The purpose of this Request for Quotation (RFQ) is to solicit quotes from multiple experienced vendors who provide consultation to assist AHCCCS with the management of transplants and other specialty medical services. It is the intent of AHCCCS to make multiple awards to qualified vendors to meet the needs of the agency.

3. LEGAL AUTHORITY

This solicitation and any resultant contract is being entered into pursuant to A.R.S. § 36-2906, and any rules adopted thereunder.

4. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

The Contractor shall be responsible for:

- 4.1 Assisting AHCCCS with periodically revising medical policies that outline coverage criteria for specialty medical services for AHCCCS managed care plans and AIHP in order to be current based on the current body of medical literature, including United Network for Organ Sharing (UNOS) clinical standards for solid organ transplant procedures, the Foundation for the Accreditation of Cellular Therapy (FACT) as well as peer-reviewed articles in medical journals published in the United States. Examples of medical policies that would be reviewed and updated include 310-DD Covered Transplants And Related Immunosuppressant Medications.
- 4.2 Consultation as it relates to transplant coverage criteria requirements shall consist of, but not be limited to, the following:
 - 4.2.1 Indications for transplant type including the diagnoses for which each type of transplant is considered non-experimental/non-investigative; and
 - 4.2.2 Absolute and/or relative contraindications for transplant type.

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- 4.3 Providing specialty medical service consultation, and serving as subject matter expert for peer review, grievance, appeals, and state fair hearings for the AHCCCS Division of Fee-for-Service Management (DFSM). Physicians providing these services should be board certified in the applicable field. These consultations may include, but are not limited to the following:
 - 4.3.1 Appropriateness for referral of member for transplant evaluation
 - 4.3.2 Requests for transplants which are not presently covered, or which are not covered for the particular condition or disease for which it is requested
 - 4.3.3 Requests for transplants where relative contraindications are present
 - 4.3.4 Requests for radiation oncology
 - 4.3.5 Requests for interventional radiology
 - 4.3.6 Genetic testing and interventions
 - 4.3.7 Hepatology
 - 4.3.8 Infectious disease
 - 4.3.9 Other specialized medical services as needed
 - 4.3.10 Possible ethical issues
- 4.4 <u>Providing the Following Deliverables as Requested by AHCCCS</u>
 - 4.4.1 Verbal consultation; and/or
 - 4.4.2 Written report; and/or
 - 4.4.3 Policy review and written recommendations.

5. CONSULTANT CREDENTIALS

The Consultant shall be a physician who holds a medical license in good standing and be board certified or board eligible in his/her area of specialty.

6. PAYMENT AND PRICING

The Contractor shall be paid in accordance with Exhibit A: Pricing Schedule.

DEFINITION OF TERMS

As used in this Solicitation and any resulting Contract, the terms listed below are defined as follows:

- AHCCCS: The Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System a managed health care program which
 pertains to health care services provided pursuant to A.R.S. 36-2903 et seq., and is also the name of
 the State agency.
- 2. **ATTACHMENT**: Any item the Solicitation requires an Offeror to submit as part of the Offer.
- 3. **BEST AND FINAL OFFER:** A revision to an Offer submitted after negotiations are completed that contains the Offeror's most favorable terms for price, service and products to be delivered. Sometimes referred to as a Final Proposal Revision.
- 4. **CONTRACT**: The combination of the Solicitation, including the Instructions to Offerors, Contract Terms and Conditions, and Scope of Work; the Offer; any Best and Final Offers; any Solicitation Amendments or Contract Amendments; and any terms applied by law.
- 5. **CONTRACT AMENDMENT:** A written document signed by the Procurement officer that is issued for the purpose of making changes in the contract.
- 6. **CONTRACTOR**: A person who has a contract with AHCCCS.
- 7. **DAYS**: Calendar days unless otherwise specified.
- 8. **EXHIBIT**: Any item labeled as an Exhibit in the Solicitation or placed in the Exhibits section of the Solicitation.
- GRATUITY: A payment, loan, subscription, advance, deposit of money, services or anything of more than nominal value, present or promised, unless consideration of substantially equal or greater value is received.
- 10. **HEALTH PLAN**: An organization which contracts with the AHCCCS Administration to administer the provision of a comprehensive package of AHCCCS covered acute and behavioral health care services to AHCCCS members enrolled with the health plan. Also called a Managed Care Organization or MCO.
- 11. OFFER: A response to a solicitation.
- 12. **OFFEROR:** A person who responds to a Solicitation.
- 13. **PERSON:** Any corporation, business, individual, union, committee, club or other organization or group of individuals.
- 14. MAY: Indicates something that is not mandatory but permissible.
- 15. **MATERIALS**: All property, including equipment, supplies, printing, insurance and leases of property but does not include land, a permanent interest in land or real property or leasing space.

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- 16. **MANAGED CARE ORGANIZATION (MCO):** see Health Plan.
- 17. **PROCUREMENT OFFICER**: The person, or his or her designee, duly authorized by the State and AHCCCS to enter into and administer Contracts and made written determinations with respect to the Contract.
- 18. **PROGRAM CONTRACTOR:** An organization which contracts with the AHCCCS Administration to execute the provision of a comprehensive package of ALTCS covered acute care, behavioral health services and long term care services to ALTCS members enrolled with the program Contractor.
- 19. **SHALL, MUST:** Indicates a mandatory requirement. Failure to meet these mandatory requirements may result in the rejection of a proposal as non-responsive.
- 20. **SHOULD:** Indicates something that is recommended but not mandatory. If the Offeror fails to provide recommended information, the State may, at its sole option, ask the Offeror to provide the information or evaluate the proposal without the information.
- 21. **SCOPE OF WORK:** Those provisions of this solicitation which specify the work and/or results to be achieved by the Contractor.
- 22. **SOLICITATION:** An Invitation for Bids ("IFB"), a Request for Proposals ("RFP"), or a Request for Quotations ("RFQ").
- 23. **SOLICITATION AMENDMENT:** A written document that is authorized by the Procurement officer and issued for the purpose of making changes to the Solicitation.
- 24. **SUBCONTRACT:** Any Contract, express or implied, between the Contractor and another party or between a subcontractor and another party delegating or assigning, in whole or in part, the making or furnishing of any material or any service required for the performance of the Contract.
- 25. **STATE:** The State of Arizona and Department or Agency of the State that executes the Contract.
- 26. STATE FISCAL YEAR: The period beginning with July 1 and ending June 30.

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- 1. **Questions:** All questions concerning this solicitation shall be directed **via email** to the Procurement Officer identified on the first page of this solicitation document.
- 2. <u>Evaluation Criteria</u>: Quotes received will be evaluated based upon valuation criteria are listed in the relative order of importance. The evaluation will be conducted in accordance with an established evaluation plan. Award(s) will be made to the responsible Offeror(s) whose proposal is determined to be the most advantageous to AHCCCS, based on the following criteria:
 - 2.1 Method of Approach
 - 2.2 Cost
 - 2.3 Experience and Expertise of the Firm
- 3. <u>Information to be contained in response</u>: Offeror shall submit their quoted response as **one (1) original** and **one (1) copy (total of 2 sets)** as well as **one (1) CD** with the same information. The proposals should be clearly labeled "ORIGINAL" or "COPY."

The response shall include the following:

- 3.1 **Proposed Method of Approach:** Shall include the vendor's distinctive plan for providing these specialized services. Specifically, the following shall be addressed:
 - 3.1.1 Provide a description of your experience in developing/updating medical specialty services coverage policy. At a minimum, please describe the following:
 - 3.1.1.1 The timeframe for completion of reviews and/or policy recommendations;
 - 3.1.1.2 Resources utilized to make coverage decisions including but not limited to literature review, national guidelines, and state and federal requirements.
 - 3.1.1.3 A description of the clinical experts and the committee, or format, the vendor uses to establish coverage criteria, including the process of determining which transplants are non-experimental and/or non-investigative.
- 3.2 <u>Cost</u>: Submit a completed Exhibit A: PRICING SCHEDULE
- 3.3 Experience and Expertise of the Firm:

Submit information documenting successful and reliable experience in past performances as related to the services in this solicitation. In addition, provide a description of your experience in specialty medical review for Medicaid. At a minimum, please describe the following:

- 1. Your organizational structure;
- 2. The experience and credentials of the physicians involved in these reviews, including experience serving as a subject matter expert for grievances and appeals.
- 3.4 <u>Intent to Provide Certificate of Insurance</u>: Provide a brief statement that, if notified of contract award, the Offeror will submit to AHCCCS for review and acceptance, the

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applicable certificate/s of insurance as required within this solicitation document, within five (5) business days of such notification.

4. Request for Confidential/Proprietary Determination:

- 10.1 If an Offeror believes that a specific portion of its bid, proposal, offer, specification, or protest contains information that should be withheld from public inspection due to confidentiality, the Offeror shall submit to the Procurement officer a detailed legal analysis, prepared by legal counsel, which sets forth the bases for the requested non-disclosure and the specific harm or prejudice which may arise if disclosed. The analysis shall be presented to the Procurement Officer at the same time as the bid, proposal, offer, specification or protest.
- 10.2 An entire bid, proposal, offer, specification, or protest shall <u>not</u> be identified as confidential; only those very limited and distinct portions which are considered by the Offeror as confidential may be identified as such. **Pricing shall not be considered as confidential.**
- 10.3 In the event that AHCCCS receives a request for disclosure of the information, AHCCCS shall disclose the information in accordance with law. Prior to disclosure, AHCCCS will inform the Offeror of such request and provide the Offeror a period of time to take action it deems appropriate to support non-disclosure. The Offeror shall be responsible for any and all costs associated with the nondisclosure of the information.
- 10.4 In addition to the required detailed legal analysis, the Offeror shall summarize in their Submittal Letter the distinct portions, including exact page numbers, of their document is requested to be kept confidential.

1. DEFINITIONS - All definitions listed in the definition of terms.

2. Contract Interpretation

- 2.1 <u>Arizona Law</u>. The Arizona law applies to this Contract including, A.R.S. § 36-2906 and its implementing rules.
- 2.2 <u>Implied Contract Terms</u>. Each provision of law and any terms required by law to be in this Contract are a part of this Contract as if fully stated in it.
- 2.3 <u>Contract Order of Precedence</u>. In the event of a conflict in the provisions of the Contract, as accepted by the State and as they may be amended, the following shall prevail in the order set forth below:
 - 2.3.1 Special Terms and Conditions;
 - 2.3.2 Uniform Terms and Conditions;
 - 2.3.3 Statement or Scope of Work;
 - 2.3.4 Specifications;
 - 2.3.5 Attachments;
 - 2.3.6 Exhibits:
 - 2.3.7 Documents referenced or included in the Solicitation.
- 2.4 <u>Relationship of Parties</u>. The Contractor under this Contract is an independent Contractor. Neither party to this Contract shall be deemed to be the employee or agent of the other party to the Contract.
- 2.5 <u>Severability</u>. The provisions of this Contract are severable. Any term or condition deemed illegal or invalid shall not affect any other term or condition of the Contract.
- 2.6 <u>No Parole Evidence</u>. This Contract is intended by the parties as a final and complete expression of their agreement. No course of prior dealings between the parties and no usage of the trade shall supplement or explain any terms used in this document and no other understanding either oral or in writing shall be binding.
- 2.7 <u>No Waiver</u>. Either party's failure to insist on strict performance of any term or condition of the Contract shall not be deemed a waiver of that term or condition even if the party accepting or acquiescing in the nonconforming performance knows of the nature of the performance and fails to object to it.
- 3. Contract Administration and Operation

- 3.1 Records. Under A.R.S. § 35-214 and § 35-215, the Contractor shall retain and shall contractually require each subcontractor to retain all data and other "records" relating to the acquisition and performance of the Contract for a period of five years after the completion of the Contract. All records shall be subject to inspection and audit by the State at reasonable times. Upon request, the Contractor shall produce a legible copy of any or all such records.
- 3.2 <u>Non-Discrimination</u>. The Contractor shall comply with State Executive Order No. 2009-09 and all other applicable Federal and State laws, rules and regulations, including the Americans with Disabilities Act.
- 3.3 <u>Audit</u>. Pursuant to ARS § 35-214, at any time during the term of this Contract and five (5) years thereafter, the Contractor's or any subcontractor's books and records shall be subject to audit by the State and, where applicable, the Federal Government, to the extent that the books and records relate to the performance of the Contract or Subcontract.
- 3.4 <u>Facilities Inspection and Materials Testing</u>. The Contractor agrees to permit access to its facilities, subcontractor facilities and the Contractor's processes or services, at reasonable times for inspection of the facilities or materials covered under this Contract.
 - The State shall also have the right to test, at its own cost, the materials to be supplied under this Contract. Neither inspection of the Contractor's facilities nor materials testing shall constitute final acceptance of the materials or services. If the State determines non-compliance of the materials, the Contractor shall be responsible for the payment of all costs incurred by the State for testing and inspection.
- 3.5 <u>Notices</u>. Notices to the Contractor required by this Contract shall be made by the State to the person indicated on the Offer and Acceptance form submitted by the Contractor unless otherwise stated in the Contract. Notices to the State required by the Contract shall be made by the Contractor to the Solicitation Contact Person indicated on the Solicitation cover sheet, unless otherwise stated in the Contract. An authorized Procurement Officer and an authorized Contractor representative may change their respective person to whom notice shall be given by written notice to the other and an amendment to the Contract shall not be necessary.
- 3.6 <u>Advertising, Publishing and Promotion of Contract</u>. The Contractor shall not use, advertise or promote information for commercial benefit concerning this Contract without the prior written approval of the Procurement Officer.
- 3.7 <u>Property of the State</u>. Any materials, including reports, computer programs and other deliverables, created under this Contract are the sole property of the State. The Contractor is not entitled to a patent or copyright on those materials and may not transfer the patent or copyright to anyone else. The Contractor shall not use or release these materials without the prior written consent of the State.
- 3.8 Ownership of Intellectual Property. Any and all intellectual property, including but not limited to copyright, invention, trademark, trade name, service mark, and/or trade secrets created or

conceived pursuant to or as a result of this contract and any related subcontract ("Intellectual Property"), shall be work made for hire and the State shall be considered the creator of such Intellectual Property. The agency, department, division, board or commission of the State of Arizona requesting the issuance of this contract shall own (for and on behalf of the State) the entire right, title and interest to the Intellectual Property throughout the world. Contractor shall notify the State, within thirty (30) days, of the creation of any Intellectual Property by it or its subcontractor(s). Contractor, on behalf of itself and any subcontractor(s), agrees to execute any and all document(s) necessary to assure ownership of the Intellectual Property vests in the State and shall take no affirmative actions that might have the effect of vesting all or part of the Intellectual Property in any entity other than the State. The Intellectual Property shall not be disclosed by Contractor or its subcontractor(s) to any entity not the State without the express written authorization of the agency, department, division, board or commission of the State of Arizona requesting the issuance of this contract.

- 3.9 <u>Federal Immigration and Nationality Act</u>. The Contractor shall comply with all federal, state and local immigration laws and regulations relating to the immigration status of their employees during the term of the contract. Further, the Contractor shall flow down this requirement to all subcontractors utilized during the term of the contract. The State shall retain the right to perform random audits of Contractor and subcontractor records or to inspect papers of any employee thereof to ensure compliance. Should the State determine that the Contractor and/or any subcontractors be found noncompliant, the State may pursue all remedies allowed by law, including, but not limited to; suspension of work, termination of the contract for default and suspension and/or debarment of the Contractor.
- 3.10 <u>E-Verify Requirements</u>. In accordance with A.R.S. § 41-4401, Contractor warrants compliance with all Federal immigration laws and regulations relating to employees and warrants its compliance with A.R.S. § 23-214, Subsection A.
- 3.11 Offshore Performance of Work Prohibited. Any services that are described in the specifications or scope of work that directly serve the State of Arizona or its clients and involve access to secure or sensitive data or personal client data shall be performed within the defined territories of the United States. Unless specifically stated otherwise in the specifications, this paragraph does not apply to indirect or 'overhead' services, redundant back-up services or services that are incidental to the performance of the contract. This provision applies to work performed by subcontractors at all tiers.

4. Costs and Payments

- 4.1 <u>Payments</u>. Payments shall comply with the requirements of A.R.S. Titles 35 and 41, Net 30 days. Upon receipt and acceptance of goods or services, the Contractor shall submit a complete and accurate invoice for payment from the State within thirty (30) days.
- 4.2 <u>Delivery</u>. Unless stated otherwise in the Contract, all prices shall be F.O.B. Destination and shall include all freight delivery and unloading at the destination.

4.3 Applicable Taxes.

- 4.3.1 Payment of Taxes. The Contractor shall be responsible for paying all applicable taxes.
- 4.3.2 <u>State and Local Transaction Privilege Taxes</u>. The State of Arizona is subject to all applicable state and local transaction privilege taxes. Transaction privilege taxes apply to the sale and are the responsibility of the seller to remit. Failure to collect such taxes from the buyer does not relieve the seller from its obligation to remit taxes.
- 4.3.3 <u>Tax Indemnification</u>. Contractor and all subcontractors shall pay all Federal, state and local taxes applicable to its operation and any persons employed by the Contractor. Contractor shall, and require all subcontractors to hold the State harmless from any responsibility for taxes, damages and interest, if applicable, contributions required under Federal, and/or state and local laws and regulations and any other costs including transaction privilege taxes, unemployment compensation insurance, Social Security and Worker's Compensation.
- 4.3.4 IRS W9 Form. In order to receive payment the Contractor shall have a current I.R.S. W9 Form on file with the State of Arizona, unless not required by law.
- 4.4 <u>Availability of Funds for the Next State fiscal year</u>. Funds may not presently be available for performance under this Contract beyond the current state fiscal year. No legal liability on the part of the State for any payment may arise under this Contract beyond the current state fiscal year until funds are made available for performance of this Contract.
- 4.5 <u>Availability of Funds for the current State fiscal year</u>. Should the State Legislature enter back into session and reduce the appropriations or for any reason and these goods or services are not funded, the State may take any of the following actions:
 - 4.5.1 Accept a decrease in price offered by the Contractor;
 - 4.5.2 Cancel the Contract; or
 - 4.5.3 Cancel the contract and re-solicit the requirements.

5. Contract Changes

5.1 Amendments. This Contract is issued under the authority of the Procurement Officer who signed this Contract. The Contract may be modified only through a Contract Amendment within the scope of the Contract. Changes to the Contract, including the addition of work or materials, the revision of payment terms, or the substitution of work or materials, directed by a person who is not specifically authorized by the procurement officer in writing or made unilaterally by the Contractor are violations of the Contract and of applicable law. Such changes, including unauthorized written Contract Amendments shall be void and without effect, and the Contractor shall not be entitled to any claim under this Contract based on those changes.

- 5.2 <u>Subcontracts</u>. The Contractor shall not enter into any Subcontract under this Contract for the performance of this contract without the advance written approval of the Procurement Officer. The Contractor shall clearly list any proposed subcontractors and the subcontractor's proposed responsibilities. The Subcontract shall incorporate by reference the terms and conditions of this Contract.
- 5.3 <u>Assignment and Delegation</u>. The Contractor shall not assign any right nor delegate any duty under this Contract without the prior written approval of the Procurement Officer. The State shall not unreasonably withhold approval.

6. Risk and Liability

6.1 <u>Risk of Loss</u>. The Contractor shall bear all loss of conforming material covered under this Contract until received by authorized personnel at the location designated in the purchase order or Contract. Mere receipt does not constitute final acceptance. The risk of loss for nonconforming materials shall remain with the Contractor regardless of receipt.

6.2 Indemnification.

- 6.2.1 <u>Contractor/Vendor Indemnification</u> The parties to this contract agree that the State of Arizona, its departments, agencies, boards and commissions shall be indemnified and held harmless by the Contractor for the vicarious liability of the State as a result of entering into this contract. However, the parties further agree that the State of Arizona, its departments, agencies, boards and commissions shall be responsible for its own negligence. Each party to this contract is responsible for its own negligence.
- 6.3 Indemnification Patent and Copyright. The Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the State against any liability, including costs and expenses, for infringement of any patent, trademark or copyright arising out of Contract performance or use by the State of materials furnished or work performed under this Contract. The State shall reasonably notify the Contractor of any claim for which it may be liable under this paragraph. If the Contractor is insured pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-621 and § 35-154, this section shall not apply.

6.4 <u>Force Majeure</u>.

6.4.1 Except for payment of sums due, neither party shall be liable to the other nor deemed in default under this Contract if and to the extent that such party's performance of this Contract is prevented by reason of force majeure. The term "force majeure" means an occurrence that is beyond the control of the party affected and occurs without its fault or negligence. Without limiting the foregoing, force majeure includes acts of God; acts of the public enemy; war; riots; strikes; mobilization; labor disputes; civil disorders; fire; flood; lockouts; injunctions-intervention-acts; or failures or refusals to act by government authority; and other similar occurrences beyond the control of the party declaring force majeure which such party is unable to prevent by exercising reasonable diligence.

- 6.4.2 Force Majeure shall <u>not</u> include the following occurrences:
 - 6.4.2.1 Late delivery of equipment or materials caused by congestion at a manufacturer's plant or elsewhere, or an oversold condition of the market;
 - 6.4.2.2 Late performance by a subcontractor unless the delay arises out of a force majeure occurrence in accordance with this force majeure term and condition; or
 - 6.4.2.3 Inability of either the Contractor or any subcontractor to acquire or maintain any required insurance, bonds, licenses or permits.
- 6.4.3 If either party is delayed at any time in the progress of the work by force majeure, the delayed party shall notify the other party in writing of such delay, as soon as is practicable and no later than the following working day, of the commencement thereof and shall specify the causes of such delay in such notice. Such notice shall be delivered or mailed certified-return receipt and shall make a specific reference to this article, thereby invoking its provisions. The delayed party shall cause such delay to cease as soon as practicable and shall notify the other party in writing when it has done so. The time of completion shall be extended by Contract Amendment for a period of time equal to the time that results or effects of such delay prevent the delayed party from performing in accordance with this Contract.
- 6.4.4 Any delay or failure in performance by either party hereto shall not constitute default hereunder or give rise to any claim for damages or loss of anticipated profits if, and to the extent that such delay or failure is caused by force majeure.
- 6.5 <u>Third Party Antitrust Violations</u>. The Contractor assigns to the State any claim for overcharges resulting from antitrust violations to the extent that those violations concern materials or services supplied by third parties to the Contractor, toward fulfillment of this Contract.

7. Warranties

- 7.1 <u>Liens</u>. The Contractor warrants that the materials supplied under this Contract are free of liens and shall remain free of liens.
- 7.2 <u>Quality</u>. Unless otherwise modified elsewhere in these terms and conditions, the Contractor warrants that, for one year after acceptance by the State of the materials, they shall be:
 - 7.2.1 Of a quality to pass without objection in the trade under the Contract description;
 - 7.2.2 Fit for the intended purposes for which the materials are used;
 - 7.2.3 Within the variations permitted by the Contract and are of even kind, quantity, and quality within each unit and among all units;
 - 7.2.4 Adequately contained, packaged and marked as the Contract may require; and
 - 7.2.5 Conform to the written promises or affirmations of fact made by the Contractor.

- 7.3 <u>Fitness</u>. The Contractor warrants that any material supplied to the State shall fully conform to all requirements of the Contract and all representations of the Contractor, and shall be fit for all purposes and uses required by the Contract.
- 7.4 <u>Inspection/Testing</u>. The warranties set forth in subparagraphs 7.1 through 7.3 of this paragraph are not affected by inspection or testing of or payment for the materials by the State.
- 7.5 <u>Compliance With Applicable Laws</u>. The materials and services supplied under this Contract shall comply with all applicable Federal, state and local laws, and the Contractor shall maintain all applicable license and permit requirements.
- 7.6 <u>Survival of Rights and Obligations after Contract Expiration or Termination</u>.
 - 7.6.1 Contractor's Representations and Warranties. All representations and warranties made by the Contractor under this Contract shall survive the expiration or termination hereof. In addition, the parties hereto acknowledge that pursuant to A.R.S. § 12-510, except as provided in A.R.S. § 12-529, the State is not subject to or barred by any limitations of actions prescribed in A.R.S., Title 12, Chapter 5.
 - 7.6.2 <u>Purchase Orders</u>. The Contractor shall, in accordance with all terms and conditions of the Contract, fully perform and shall be obligated to comply with all purchase orders received by the Contractor prior to the expiration or termination hereof, unless otherwise directed in writing by the Procurement Officer, including, without limitation, all purchase orders received prior to but not fully performed and satisfied at the expiration or termination of this Contract.

8. State's Contractual Remedies

8.1 Right to Assurance. If the State in good faith has reason to believe that the Contractor does not intend to, or is unable to perform or continue performing under this Contract, the Procurement Officer may demand in writing that the Contractor give a written assurance of intent to perform. Failure by the Contractor to provide written assurance within the number of Days specified in the demand may, at the State's option, be the basis for terminating the Contract under the Uniform Terms and Conditions or other rights and remedies available by law or provided by the contract.

8.2 Stop Work Order.

8.2.1 The State may, at any time, by written order to the Contractor, require the Contractor to stop all or any part, of the work called for by this Contract for period(s) of days indicated by the State after the order is delivered to the Contractor. The order shall be specifically identified as a stop work order issued under this clause. Upon receipt of the order, the Contractor shall immediately comply with its terms and take all reasonable steps to minimize the incurrence of costs allocable to the work covered by the order during the period of work stoppage.

- 8.2.2 If a stop work order issued under this clause is canceled or the period of the order or any extension expires, the Contractor shall resume work. The Procurement Officer shall make an equitable adjustment in the delivery schedule or Contract price, or both, and the Contract shall be amended in writing accordingly.
- 8.3 <u>Non-exclusive Remedies</u>. The rights and the remedies of the State under this Contract are not exclusive.
- 8.4 <u>Nonconforming Tender</u>. Materials or services supplied under this Contract shall fully comply with the Contract. The delivery of materials or services or a portion of the materials or services that do not fully comply constitutes a breach of contract. On delivery of nonconforming materials or services, the State may terminate the Contract for default under applicable termination clauses in the Contract, exercise any of its rights and remedies under the Uniform Commercial Code, or pursue any other right or remedy available to it.
- 8.5 <u>Right of Offset</u>. The State shall be entitled to offset against any sums due the Contractor, any expenses or costs incurred by the State, or damages assessed by the State concerning the Contractor's non-conforming performance or failure to perform the Contract, including expenses, costs and damages described in the Uniform Terms and Conditions.

9. Contract Termination

- 9.1 <u>Cancellation for Conflict of Interest</u>. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-511, the State may cancel this Contract within three (3) years after Contract execution without penalty or further obligation if any person significantly involved in initiating, negotiating, securing, drafting or creating the Contract on behalf of the State is or becomes at any time while the Contract or an extension of the Contract is in effect an employee of or a consultant to any other party to this Contract with respect to the subject matter of the Contract. The cancellation shall be effective when the Contractor receives written notice of the cancellation unless the notice specifies a later time. If the Contractor is a political subdivision of the State, it may also cancel this Contract as provided in A.R.S. § 38-511.
- 9.2 <u>Gratuities</u>. The State may, by written notice, terminate this Contract, in whole or in part, if the State determines that employment or a Gratuity was offered or made by the Contractor or a representative of the Contractor to any officer or employee of the State for the purpose of influencing the outcome of the procurement or securing the Contract, an amendment to the Contract, or favorable treatment concerning the Contract, including the making of any determination or decision about contract performance. The State, in addition to any other rights or remedies, shall be entitled to recover exemplary damages in the amount of three times the value of the Gratuity offered by the Contractor.
- 9.3 <u>Suspension or Debarment</u>. The State may, by written notice to the Contractor, immediately terminate this Contract if the State determines that the Contractor has been debarred, suspended or otherwise lawfully prohibited from participating in any public procurement

activity, including but not limited to, being disapproved as a subcontractor of any public procurement unit or other governmental body. Submittal of an offer or execution of a contract shall attest that the Contractor is not currently suspended or debarred. If the Contractor becomes suspended or debarred, the Contractor shall immediately notify the State.

9.4 <u>Termination for Convenience</u>. The State reserves the right to terminate the Contract, in whole or in part at any time when in the best interest of the State, without penalty or recourse. Upon receipt of the written notice, the Contractor shall stop all work, as directed in the notice, notify all subcontractors of the effective date of the termination and minimize all further costs to the State. In the event of termination under this paragraph, all documents, data and reports prepared by the Contractor under the Contract shall become the property of and be delivered to the State upon demand. The Contractor shall be entitled to receive just and equitable compensation for work in progress, work completed and materials accepted before the effective date of the termination. The cost principles and procedures provided in A.A.C. R2-7-701 shall apply.

9.5 Termination for Default.

- 9.5.1 In addition to the rights reserved in the contract, the State may terminate the Contract in whole or in part due to the failure of the Contractor to comply with any term or condition of the Contract, to acquire and maintain all required insurance policies, bonds, licenses and permits, or to make satisfactory progress in performing the Contract. The Procurement Officer shall provide written notice of the termination and the reasons for it to the Contractor.
- 9.5.2 Upon termination under this paragraph, all goods, materials, documents, data and reports prepared by the Contractor under the Contract shall become the property of and be delivered to the State on demand.
- 9.5.3 The State may, upon termination of this Contract, procure, on terms and in the manner that it deems appropriate, materials or services to replace those under this Contract. The Contractor shall be liable to the State for any excess costs incurred by the State in procuring materials or services in substitution for those due from the Contractor.
- 9.6 <u>Continuation of Performance Through Termination</u>. The Contractor shall continue to perform, in accordance with the requirements of the Contract, up to the date of termination, as directed in the termination notice.

10. Arbitration

The parties to this Contract agree to resolve all disputes arising out of or relating to this contract through arbitration, after exhausting applicable administrative review, to the extent required by A.R.S. § 12-1518, except as may be required by other applicable statutes (Title 41).

- 1. <u>Choice of Forum</u>: The parties agree that jurisdiction over any action arising out of or relating to this contract shall be brought or filed in a court of competent jurisdiction located in the State of Arizona.
- 2. <u>Contract Cancellation (Immediate)</u>: This contract is critical to AHCCCS and the agency reserves the right to immediately cancel the whole or any part of this contract due to failure of the Contractor to carry out any material obligation, term or condition of the contract. The Procurement officer shall issue a written notice of default effective at once and not deferred by any interval of time. Default shall be for acting or failing to act an in any of the following:
 - 2.1 The Contractor provides material that does not meet the specifications of the contract;
 - 2.2 The Contractor fails to adequately perform the services set forth in the specifications of the contract;
 - 2.3 The Contractor fails to complete the work required or furnish the materials required within the time stipulated in the contract;
 - 2.4 The Contractor fails to make progress in the performance of the contract and/or gives the Procurement officer reason to believe that the Contractor will not or cannot perform to the requirements of the contract.
 - 2.5 The Procurement officer may resort to any single or combination of the following remedies:
 - 2.5.1 Cancel any contract;
 - 2.5.2 Reserve all rights or claims to damage for breach of any covenants of the contract;
 - 2.5.3 Perform any test or analysis on materials for compliance with the specifications of the contract. If the result of any test confirms a material non-compliance with the specifications, any reasonable expense of testing shall be borne by the Contractor.
 - 2.5.4 In case of default, the Procurement officer reserves the right to purchase materials or to complete the required work in accordance with the Arizona Procurement Code. The Procurement officer may recover reasonable excess costs from the Contractor by:
 - 2.5.4.1 Deduction from an unpaid balance;
 - 2.5.4.2 Collection against the bid and/or performance bond; or
 - 2.5.4.3 Any combinations of the above or any other remedies as provided by law.
- **3.** <u>Contract Disputes</u>: Contract disputes arising under A.R.S. § Title 36, Chapter 29 shall be adjudicated in accordance with AHCCCS Rules.
- 4. Confidentiality of Records and Disclosure of Confidential Information:
 - 4.1 The Contractor shall not, without prior written approval from AHCCCS, either during or after the performance of the services required by this contract, use, other than for such performance, or disclose to any person other than AHCCCS personnel with a need to know, any information, data, material, or exhibits created, developed, produced, or otherwise obtained during the course of the work required by this contract. This nondisclosure requirement shall also pertain to any information contained in reports, documents, or other records furnished to the Contractor by AHCCCS.

- 4.2 The Contractor shall establish and maintain written policies procedures and controls, approved by AHCCCS, governing access to, duplication of, and dissemination of all such information for the purpose of assuring that no information contained in its records or obtained from AHCCCS or others carrying out its functions under the contract, is used or disclosed by it, its agents, officers or employees, except as required to efficiently perform duties under the contract. Persons requesting such information shall be referred to AHCCCS. The Contractor's data safeguard program shall further conform to the data confidentiality and security requirements of AHCCCS policy and procedures, and all-relevant state and federal requirements, including HIPAA standards.
- 4.3 The disclosure of information in summary, statistical, or other form that does not identify particular individuals is permitted only with prior AHCCCS approval. The use or disclosure of information concerning Members will be limited to purposes directly connected with the scope of this contract.
- 4.4 The Contractor shall advise its employees, agents and subcontractors, if any, that they are subject to these confidentiality requirements. A signed confidentiality statement containing language approved by AHCCCS will be obtained from all employees, agents and subcontractors, if any, and maintained in the individual's personnel file with a copy sent to AHCCCS upon request.

5. Fraud and Abuse:

- 5.1 It shall be the responsibility of the Contractor to report all cases of suspected fraud and abuse by subcontractors, members or employees. The Contractor shall provide written notification of all such incidents to the Procurement officer.
- 5.2 As stated in A.R.S. § 13-2310, incorporated herein by reference, any person who knowingly obtains any benefit by means of false or fraudulent pretenses, representations, promises or material omissions is guilty of a class 2 felony.
- 5.3 Contractors are required to research potential overpayments identified by a fraud and abuse investigation or audit conducted by AHCCCS. After conducting a cost benefit analysis to determine if such action is warranted, the Contractor should attempt to recover any overpayments identified due to erroneous, false or fraudulent billings.
- 6. Independent Contractor and Employees of Contractor: The Contractor represents himself/herself to be an independent contractor offering such services to the general public and shall not represent himself/herself or his/her employees to be an employee of the State of Arizona and/or AHCCCS. Therefore, the Contractor shall assume all legal and financial responsibility for taxes, FICA, employee fringe benefits, workers compensation, employee insurance, etc. All employees of the Contractor employed or in performance of work under this Contract shall be employees of the Contractor at all times and not of AHCCCS. The Contractor shall comply with the Social Security Act, Workers' Compensation laws and unemployment laws of the State of Arizona as well as federal, state and local legislation relevant to the Contractor's business.

- **7.** <u>Licenses</u>: Contractor shall maintain in current status all federal, state and local licenses and permits required for the operation of the business conducted by the Contractor.
- **8. No Guaranteed Quantities:** AHCCCS does not guarantee the Contractor any minimum or maximum quantity of services or goods to be provided under this contract.
- **9.** <u>Non-exclusive Contract</u>: Any contract resulting form this solicitation shall be awarded with the understanding and agreement that it is for the sole convenience of AHCCCS. The state reserves the right to obtain like goods or services from another source when necessary.

10. Records:

- 10.1 In addition to the requirements set forth in this contract under the Uniform Terms and Conditions, all books and records shall be maintained to the extent and in such detail as required by AHCCCS Rules and Policies. The AHCCCS records management guidelines are located at: http://www.azahcccs.gov. Records shall include, but not be limited to, financial statements, case files (both hard copy and stored data), and other records specified by AHCCCS.
- 10.2 The Contractor shall make available at its office at all reasonable times during the term of this contract and the period set forth in this section, any of its records for inspection, audit or reproduction by any authorized representative of AHCCCS, State or Federal government.
- 10.3 The Contractor shall preserve and make available all records for a period of five (5) years from the date of final payment under this contract except as provided below:
 - 10.3.1 If this contract is completely or partially terminated, the records relating to the work terminated shall be preserved and made available for a period of five years from the date of any such termination.
 - 10.3.2 Records that relate to grievances, disputes, litigation or the settlement of claims arising out of the performance of this contract, or costs and expenses of this contract to which exception has been taken by AHCCCS, shall be retained by the Contractor for a period of five years after the date of final disposition or resolution thereof.
 - 10.3.3 Completed case files shall be scheduled for archive shipment to AHCCCS, as defined by AHCCCS Policy and Procedures.

11. Term of Contract and Option to Renew:

11.1 The initial term of this contract shall be for three (3) years with two (2) two-year options to extend, not to exceed a total contracting period of seven (7) years. The terms and conditions of any such contract extension shall remain the same as the original contract, as amended. All contract extensions shall be through contract amendment, and shall be at the sole option of AHCCCS.

- 11.2 When the Procurement officer issues an amendment to extend the contract, the provisions of such extension will be deemed to have been accepted 60 days after the date of mailing by the Procurement officer, even if the extension amendment has not been signed by the Contractor, unless within that time the Contractor notifies the Procurement officer in writing that it refuses to sign the extension amendment. If the Contractor provides such notification, the Procurement officer will initiate contract termination proceedings.
- 11.3 If the Contractor chooses not to renew this contract, the Contractor may be liable for certain costs associated with the transition of its members to a different Contractor. If the Contractor provides the Procurement officer written notice of its intent not to renew this contract at least 180 days before its expiration, this liability for transition costs may be waived by the Procurement officer.

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INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE TERMS

Indemnification Clause

To the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the State of Arizona, and its departments, agencies, boards, commissions, universities, officers, officials, agents, and employees (hereinafter referred to as "Indemnitee") from and against any and all claims, actions, liabilities, damages, losses, or expenses (including court costs, attorneys' fees, and costs of claim processing, investigation and litigation) (hereinafter referred to as "Claims") for bodily injury or personal injury (including death), or loss or damage to tangible or intangible property caused, or alleged to be caused, in whole or in part, by the negligent or willful acts or omissions of Contractor or any of its owners, officers, directors, agents, employees or subcontractors. This indemnity includes any claim or amount arising out of, or recovered under, the Workers' Compensation Law or arising out of the failure of such Contractor to conform to any federal, state, or local law, statute, ordinance, rule, regulation, or court decree. It is the specific intention of the parties that the Indemnitee shall, in all instances, except for Claims arising solely from the negligent or willful acts or omissions of the Indemnitee, be indemnified by Contractor from and against any and all claims. It is agreed that Contractor will be responsible for primary loss investigation, defense, and judgment costs where this indemnification is applicable. In consideration of the award of this contract, the Contractor agrees to waive all rights of subrogation against the State of Arizona, its officers, officials, agents, and employees for losses arising from the work performed by the Contractor for the State of Arizona.

This indemnity shall not apply if the contractor or sub-contractor(s) is/are an agency, board, commission or university of the State of Arizona.

A. Insurance Requirements

- Contractor and subcontractors shall procure and maintain, until all of their obligations have been discharged, including any warranty periods under this Contract, insurance against claims for injury to persons or damage to property arising from, or in connection with, the performance of the work hereunder by the Contractor, its agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors.
- 2. The Insurance Requirements herein are minimum requirements for this Contract and in no way limit the indemnity covenants contained in this Contract. The State of Arizona in no way warrants that the minimum limits contained herein are sufficient to protect the Contractor from liabilities that arise out of the performance of the work under this Contract by the Contractor, its agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors, and the Contractor is free to purchase additional insurance.

B. Minimum Scope and Limits of Insurance

Contractor shall provide coverage with limits of liability not less than those stated below.

1. Commercial General Liability (CGL) – Occurrence Form

Policy shall include bodily injury, property damage, and broad form contractual liability coverage.

General Aggregate\$2,000,000Products – Completed Operations Aggregate\$1,000,000Personal and Advertising Injury\$1,000,000Damage to Rented Premises\$50,000Each Occurrence\$1,000,000

- a. The policy shall be endorsed, as required by this written agreement, to include the State of Arizona, and its departments, agencies, boards, commissions, universities, officers, officials, agents, and employees as additional insureds with respect to liability arising out of the activities performed by or on behalf of the Contractor.
- b. Policy shall contain a waiver of subrogation endorsement, as required by this written agreement, in favor of the State of Arizona, and its departments, agencies, boards, commissions, universities, officers, officials, agents, and employees for losses arising from work performed by or on behalf of the Contractor.

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2. Business Automobile Liability

Bodily Injury and Property Damage for any owned, hired, and/or non-owned automobiles used in the performance of this Contract.

Combined Single Limit (CSL)

\$1,000,000

- a. Policy shall be endorsed, as required by this written agreement, to include the State of Arizona, and its departments, agencies, boards, commissions, universities, officers, officials, agents, and employees as additional insureds with respect to liability arising out of the activities performed by, or on behalf of, the Contractor involving automobiles owned, hired and/or non-owned by the Contractor.
- b. Policy shall contain a waiver of subrogation endorsement as required by this written agreement in favor of the State of Arizona, and its departments, agencies, boards, commissions, universities, officers, officials, agents, and employees for losses arising from work performed by or on behalf of the Contractor.

3. Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability

Workers' Compensation	Statutory
Employers' Liability	
Each Accident	\$1,000,000
Disease – Each Employee	\$1,000,000
Disease – Policy Limit	\$1,000,000

- a. Policy shall contain a waiver of subrogation endorsement, as required by this written agreement, in favor of the State of Arizona, and its departments, agencies, boards, commissions, universities, officers, officials, agents, and employees for losses arising from work performed by or on behalf of the Contractor.
- b. This requirement shall not apply to each Contractor or subcontractor that is exempt under A.R.S. § 23-901, and when such Contractor or subcontractor executes the appropriate waiver form (Sole Proprietor or Independent Contractor).

4. Professional Liability (Errors and Omissions Liability)

Each Claim \$1,000,000 Annual Aggregate \$2,000,000

- a. In the event that the professional liability insurance required by this Contract is written on a claims-made basis, Contractor warrants that any retroactive date under the policy shall precede the effective date of this Contract; and that either continuous coverage will be maintained or an extended discovery period will be exercised for a period of two (2) years beginning at the time work under this Contract is completed.
- **b.** The policy shall cover professional misconduct or negligent acts for those positions defined in the Scope of Work of this contract.

C. Additional Insurance Requirements

The policies shall include, or be endorsed to include, as required by this written agreement, the following provisions:

- 1. The Contractor's policies, as applicable, shall stipulate that the insurance afforded the Contractor shall be primary and that any insurance carried by the Department, its agents, officials, employees or the State of Arizona shall be excess and not contributory insurance, as provided by A.R.S. § 41-621 (E).
- 2. Insurance provided by the Contractor shall not limit the Contractor's liability assumed under the indemnification provisions of this Contract.

D. Notice of Cancellation

Applicable to all insurance policies required within the Insurance Requirements of this Contract, Contractor's insurance shall not be permitted to expire, be suspended, be canceled, or be materially changed for any reason without thirty (30) days prior written notice to the State of Arizona. Within two (2) business days of receipt, Contractor must provide notice to the State of Arizona if they receive notice of a policy that has been or will be

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suspended, canceled, materially changed for any reason, has expired, or will be expiring. Such notice shall be sent directly to the Department and shall be mailed, emailed, hand delivered or sent by facsimile transmission to (State Representative's Name, Address & Fax Number).

E. Acceptability of Insurers

Contractor's insurance shall be placed with companies licensed in the State of Arizona or hold approved non-admitted status on the Arizona Department of Insurance List of Qualified Unauthorized Insurers. Insurers shall have an "A.M. Best" rating of not less than A- VII. The State of Arizona in no way warrants that the above-required minimum insurer rating is sufficient to protect the Contractor from potential insurer insolvency.

F. <u>Verification of Coverage</u>

Contractor shall furnish the State of Arizona with certificates of insurance (valid ACORD form or equivalent approved by the State of Arizona) evidencing that Contractor has the insurance as required by this Contract. An authorized representative of the insurer shall sign the certificates.

- All such certificates of insurance and policy endorsements must be received by the State before
 work commences. The State's receipt of any certificates of insurance or policy endorsements that
 do not comply with this written agreement shall not waive or otherwise affect the requirements of
 this agreement.
- Each insurance policy required by this Contract must be in effect at, or prior to, commencement of work under this Contract. Failure to maintain the insurance policies as required by this Contract, or to provide evidence of renewal, is a material breach of contract.
- 3. All certificates required by this Contract shall be sent directly to the Department. The State of Arizona project/contract number and project description shall be noted on the certificate of insurance. The State of Arizona reserves the right to require complete copies of all insurance policies required by this Contract at any time.

G. Subcontractors

Contractor's certificate(s) shall include all subcontractors as insureds under its policies or Contractor shall be responsible for ensuring and/or verifying that all subcontractors have valid and collectable insurance as evidenced by the certificates of insurance and endorsements for each subcontractor. All coverages for subcontractors shall be subject to the minimum Insurance Requirements identified above. The Department reserves the right to require, at any time throughout the life of the Contract, proof from the Contractor that its subcontractors have the required coverage.

H. Approval and Modifications

The Contracting Agency, in consultation with State Risk, reserves the right to review or make modifications to the insurance limits, required coverages, or endorsements throughout the life of this contract, as deemed necessary. Such action will not require a formal Contract amendment but may be made by administrative action.

I. Exceptions

In the event the Contractor or subcontractor(s) is/are a public entity, then the Insurance Requirements shall not apply. Such public entity shall provide a certificate of self-insurance. If the Contractor or subcontractor(s) is/are a State of Arizona agency, board, commission, or university, none of the above shall apply.

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This Addendum is made part of this Contract between the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System ("AHCCCS") and the Contractor, referred to as "Business Associate" in this Addendum.

AHCCCS and Business Associate agree that the underlying Contract shall comply with the Administrative Simplification requirements of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA"), as set forth in Title 45, Parts 160 and 164 of the Code of Federal Regulations (the "CFR"), as amended. In the event of conflicting terms or conditions, this Addendum shall supersede the underlying Contract.

1. **DEFINITIONS**

The following terms used in this Addendum shall have the same meaning as those terms in the HIPAA rules set forth in Title 45, Parts 160 and 164 of the CFR: Breach, Data Aggregation, Designated Record Set, Disclosure, Health Care Operations, Individual, Minimum Necessary, Notice of Privacy Practices, Protected Health Information, Required by Law, Secretary, Security Incident, Subcontractor, Unsecured Protected Health Information, and Use.

2. OBLIGATIONS AND ACTIVITIES OF BUSINESS ASSOCIATE

Business Associate agrees to:

- 2.1. Not use or disclose protected health information, hereafter referred to as "PHI", other than as permitted or required by this Addendum or as required by law;
- 2.2. Use appropriate safeguards, and comply with Subpart C of 45 CFR Part 164 with respect to electronic PHI, to prevent use or disclosure of PHI other than as provided for by this Addendum;
- 2.3. Report to AHCCCS any use or disclosure of PHI not provided for by this Addendum of which it becomes aware, including breaches of unsecured PHI as required at 45 CFR §164.410, and any security incident of which it becomes aware in the following manner;
 - 2.3.1. Reporting. Business Associate shall report to AHCCCS any use or disclosure of PHI not authorized by the Contract, by law, or in writing by AHCCCS. Business Associate shall make the report to AHCCCS's Privacy Official not less than twenty-four (24) hours after Business Associate learns of such unauthorized use or disclosure. Business Associate's report shall at least:
 - A. Identify the nature of the unauthorized use or disclosure;
 - B. Identify the PHI used or disclosed;
 - C. Identify who made the unauthorized use or received the unauthorized disclosure;
 - D. Identify what Business Associate has done or shall do to mitigate any deleterious effect of the unauthorized use or disclosure;
 - E. Identify what corrective action Business Associate has taken or shall take to prevent future similar unauthorized use or disclosure; and
 - F. Provide such other information, including a written report, as reasonably requested by AHCCCS's Privacy Official.

- 2.3.2. Mitigation. Business Associate agrees to mitigate, to the extent practicable, any harmful effect that is known to Business Associate of a use or disclosure of PHI by Business Associate in violation of the requirements of the Contract.
- 2.3.3. Sanctions. Business Associate shall have and apply appropriate sanctions against any employee, subcontractor or agent who uses or discloses AHCCCS PHI in violation of this Addendum or applicable law.
- 2.4. In accordance with 45 CFR §164.502(e)(1)(ii) and §164.308(b)(2), if applicable, ensure that any subcontractors that create, receive, maintain or transmit PHI on behalf of the Business Associate agree to the same restrictions, conditions and requirements that apply to the Business Associate with respect to such information;
- 2.5. Make available PHI in a designated record set to AHCCCS as necessary to satisfy AHCCCS' obligations under 45 CFR §164.524;
- 2.6. Make any amendment(s) to PHI in a designated record set as directed or agreed to by AHCCCS pursuant to 45 CFR §164.526, or take other measures as necessary to satisfy AHCCCS' obligations under 45 CFR §164.526;
- 2.7. Maintain and make available the information required to provide an Accounting of Disclosures to AHCCCS as necessary to satisfy AHCCCS' obligations under 45 CFR §164.528;
- 2.8. To the extent Business Associate is to carry out one of more of AHCCCS' obligations under Subpart E of 45 CFR Part 164, comply with the requirements of Subpart E that apply to AHCCCS in the performance of such obligation(s); and
- 2.9. Make its internal practices, books and records available to AHCCCS and the Secretary for purposes of determining compliance with the HIPAA rules.

3. PERMITTED USES AND DISLOSURES BY BUSINESS ASSOCIATE

- 3.1. Business Associate may only use or disclosure PHI as necessary to perform the services and obligations set forth in the underlying Contract;
- 3.2. Business Associate may use or disclose PHI as required by law;
- 3.3. Business Associate agrees to make uses and disclosures and requests for PHI consistent with AHCCCS' Minimum Necessary Policy, located at www.azahcccs.gov;
- 3.4. Business Associate may not use or disclose PHI in a manner that would violate Subpart E of 45 CFR Part 164 if done by AHCCCS, except for the specific uses and disclosures set forth below in (e) and (f);
- 3.5. Business Associate may use PHI for the proper management and administration of the Business Associate or to carry out the legal responsibilities of the Business Associate; and

3.6. Business Associate may provide data aggregation services relating to the health care operations of AHCCCS.

4. PROVISIONS FOR AHCCCS TO INFORM BUSINESS ASSOCIATE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES AND RESTRICTIONS

- 4.1. AHCCCS shall notify Business Associate of any limitation(s) in the AHCCCS Notice of Privacy Practices (found at www.azahcccs.gov) under 45 CFR §164.520, to the extent that such limitation may affect Business Associate's use or disclosure of PHI;
- 4.2. AHCCCS shall notify Business Associate of any changes in, or revocation of, the permission by an individual to use or disclose his or her PHI, to the extent that such changes may affect Business Associate's use or disclosure of PHI; and
- 4.3. AHCCCS shall notify Business Associate of any restriction on the use or disclosure of PHI that AHCCCS has agreed to or is required to abide by under 45 CFR 164.522, to the extent that such restriction may affect Business Associate's use or disclosure of PHI.

5. TERM AND TERMINATION

- 5.1. Term: This Addendum is effective upon the effective date of the underlying Contract and shall terminate on the date AHCCCS terminates the contract for cause as authorized in paragraph 5.2 of this Section, or for any other reason permitted under the contract, whichever is sooner.
- 5.2. Termination for Cause: Business Associate authorizes termination of the Contract by AHCCCS if AHCCCS determines that Business Associate has breached a material term of this Addendum and Business Associate has not cured the breach or ended the violation within the time specified by AHCCCS.
- 5.3. Obligations of Business Associate Upon Termination: Upon termination, cancellation, expiration or other conclusion of the Contract, Business Associate, with respect to PHI received from AHCCCS, or created, maintained, or received by Business Associate on behalf of AHCCCS, shall:
 - 5.3.1. Retain only that PHI which is necessary for Business Associate to continue its proper management and administration or to carry out its legal and/or contractual responsibilities;
 - 5.3.2. Destroy or return to AHCCCS all remaining PHI that the Business Associate still maintains in any form;
 - 5.3.3. Continue to use appropriate safeguards and comply with Subpart C of 45 CFR Part 164 with respect to electronic PHI to prevent use or disclosure of the PHI, other than as provided for in this Section, for as long as Business Associate retains the PHI;
 - 5.3.4. Not use or disclose the PHI retained by Business Associate other than for the purposes for which such PHI was retained and subject to the same conditions set out in this Addendum that applied prior to termination; and
 - 5.3.5. Destroy or return to AHCCCS the PHI retained by Business Associate when it is no longer needed by Business Associate for its proper management and administration or to carry out its legal and/or contractual responsibilities.

5.4. Survival: The obligations of Business Associate under this Section shall survive the termination of the underlying Contract.

6. INDEMNIFICATION AND MISCELLANEOUS

- 6.1. Indemnification: Business Associate shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend AHCCCS from and against any and all claims, losses, liabilities, costs, civil and criminal penalties, and other expenses resulting from, or relating to, the acts or omissions of Business Associate, its employees, agents, and sub-contractors in connection with the representations, duties and obligations of Business Associate under this Addendum. The parties' respective rights and obligations under this Section shall survive termination of the underlying Contract.
- 6.2. Regulatory References: A reference in this Addendum to a section in the HIPAA rules means the section as in effect or as amended.
- 6.3. Amendment: The parties agree to take such action as is necessary to amend this Addendum from time to time as is necessary for compliance with the requirements of the HIPAA rules or any other applicable law.
- 6.4. Interpretation: Any ambiguity in this Addendum shall be interpreted to permit compliance with the HIPAA rules.

EXHIBIT A: PRICING SCHEDULE

1.	RATES:	
	Position Title:	Quoted Hourly Rate \$
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2. RATE/FEE ADJUSTMENT:

- 2.1 Rate/Fee Increase: The original rate shall remain the same for the initial contract period. In the event AHCCCS exercises its sole option to renew the contract for additional periods, the AHCCCS procurement office may consider a request for rate increase. Rate increase requests shall be submitted to the procurement officer in writing no later than sixty (60) days prior to renewal or extension date. Any requested increase shall be based upon a documented cost increase to the Contractor. Failure to submit a request for rate increase within the stated timeframe and or failure to supply adequate information with the request may result in AHCCCS denying the request. Any approval of a rate increase will be at the sole option of AHCCCS and is contingent upon funding availability. Upon approval, rate increase amount will be negotiated between AHCCCS and the Contractor. Any approval of a rate increase will be effective upon the effective date of the contract renewal or extension, and shall only be considered complete upon written contract amendment signed by both parties.
- 2.2 <u>Rate/Fee Reduction:</u> Rate/Fee reductions may be submitted to the AHCCCS procurement officer for consideration at any time during the contract period.

3. INVOICES

- 3.1 Each invoice shall provide the following information, as applicable:
 - AHCCCS' assigned contract number
 - Description of services performed for each fee
 - Name of AHCCCS contact person (or program person) for this contract
 - Date(s) services were performed
 - Signature and title of authorized representative
- 3.2 Each invoice shall have adequate supporting documentation attached.
- 3.3 Unless otherwise described in this contract, all invoices shall be submitted to:

AHCCCS Accounts Payable, MD 5400 701 E. Jefferson Street Phoenix, AZ 85034

EXHIBIT B: RFQ CHECKLIST

Please provide the page number where this item is located within your proposal, in the right hand column. All items must be included and in this order.

Requirement #	Description	Offeror's Page #
1	One (1) ORIGINAL response, One (1) COPY, One (1) CD	na
2	Submittal Cover Letter	
3	RFQ Checklist (this page)	
4	Completed and Signed Offer and Acceptance page	
5	Signed Solicitation Amendments, if any (signature page only)	
6	Method of Approach	
7	Detailed narrative of experience and expertise	
8	Pricing Schedule (see Exhibit A)	
9	Statement of Intent to provide Certificate of Insurance	
10	Detailed Legal Analysis (If any portions are requested to be kept confidential or proprietary)	

END OF SOLICITATION

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