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ADDENDUM NO. 3 Inmate Medical & Pharmacy Services for Muscogee County Prison (Annual Contract) RFP No. 18-0022

Proposals should include acknowledgement of receipt for all Addenda.

Vendors are informed that the above subject RFP is hereby modified, corrected, or supplemented as specified, described and set forth in this Addendum:

A. QUESTIONS/RESPONSES:

1. Please provide the monthly trend in prescriptions and medication costs in total and by medication category, including but not limited to HIV, Hepatitis C, Hemophiliac, cancer, and psychotropic classifications for the current and prior fiscal years.
Response: Offenders with illnesses in these areas are immediately transferred back to a state facility. The Muscogee County Prison (MCP) has only had one county offender with HIV in the past two years.
2. Please provide the monthly trend in medication costs credits (separate from above costs) and administrative fees for the current and prior fiscal years.
Response: N/A
3. Please provide a list of the top 25 medications by cost for the current and prior fiscal years.
Response: This is a list of the most common medication that this facility dispenses:
Clobetasol 0.5 cream, Divalproex 500 mg, Erythro 500mg, Levothyroxin 75mg Aceta-Gesis 325 mg, Amox.Clav 500mg, Calcium Ex Antacid Tab, Domeboro Pwd packet, Geri-Lanta Antacid Susp., Ibuprofen 800mg, Med-Lyte tabs, Mucinex 600MG, Qvar 80 mcg inhalers, Tenvac syringe, Tolnaftate Cream, Trimacin Cr Lb, Ventolin HFA inhaler, Clobetasol cream. These are the most commonly used items.
4. Please provide the trend and current number of inmates under treatment for Hepatitis C.
Response: We do not treat Hepatitis C at this facility. We monitor Hepatitis C status via chronic care clinic every 3 months.
5. Please provide the current protocol including medications currently in use for treatment of inmates

infected with Hepatitis C.

Response: N/A

6. Will the MCP consider a cap on Hepatitis C, hemophiliac, cancer, and other high cost medications, which will allow vendors to avoid including risk premium for these treatments in their proposals?

Response: N/A

7. Are HIV medications currently administered from stock or as patient specific order?

Response: HIV medications are patient-specific.

8. How many prescriptions are dispensed on average per month?

Response: 150 to 200

9. Does MCP require a pharmacy license and what type of license? Who is the license held by, the facility or medical vendor?

Response: The Muscogee County Prison currently does not hold a pharmacy license, and is relying on the expertise of proposing firms to provide the services in accordance with all local, state and federal laws.

10. Please describe where patients are treated when they require infirmary level care.

Response: Patients are transferred to another facility.

11. RFP page 15, at Section 4, paragraph B, requires bidders to provide names and titles of professional staff to be dedicated to the contract. Typically, most existing staff transition to a new healthcare contractor and it is not appropriate for non-incumbent bidders to contact these staff ahead of award. For non-incumbent bidders, is it permissible to provide job descriptions in lieu of resumes where needed?

Response: Non-incumbent offerors may provide job descriptions in lieu of resumes, where needed. However, in the event the contract is awarded to a non-incumbent offeror, the Muscogee County Prison expects the awarded vendor to fill the position strictly in accordance with the provided job descriptions.

12. Please indicate where patients are managed if they require suicide watch monitoring.

Response: The patients are placed in an isolation cell and placed on 15-minute checks.

13. Please indicate how many new inmates are received at the facility each year.

Response: 200

14. Please indicate the average length of stay at the facility.

Response: 1 to 2 years.

15. RFP Addendum 1, Attachment A, suggests that the current healthcare contractor may be providing a proprietary electronic medical record.

- Does the MCP have an agreement with the current healthcare provider for transitioning the EHR in the event the contract is not re-awarded to the incumbent? If so, please describe the transition plan.
- Is the MCP satisfied with the current EHR and does it meet all requirements for reporting and interfacing with other information systems?
- Please identify the electronic interfaces currently in operations for the EHR. Does it interface with pharmacy? Laboratory? Radiology? The Jail Management System?

- Is an EHR *required* under the RFP? If so, is the MCP prepared to increase its healthcare budget to acquire an EHR that is not tied to a particular healthcare contractor?

Response: The current provider is only utilizing an EHR for managed care.

16. Please provide the dates for the most recent and pending NCCHC accreditation surveys. Please also provide the most recent NCCHC survey report.

Response: N/A

17. Does the Muscogee County Prison (MCP) have infirmary beds available at the Prison? If so, how many beds are in the Infirmary?

Response: MCP does not have infirmary beds.

18. Is the Prison responsible for dental equipment maintenance or repair?

Response: Yes

19. Please provide the name of the mobile x-ray vendor.

Response: MobileX

20. Is the current Medical Contractor capturing the Medicare ID at the time of Intake at Muscogee County Prison?

Response: No

21. Is the current Medical Contractor capturing the Medicaid ID at the time of Intake to the Muscogee County Prison?

Response: No

22. Who is the current Lab provider at the Muscogee County Prison?

Response: LabCorp

23. What is the name of the local hospital used for the Muscogee County Prison inmates?

Response: Piedmont Columbus Regional Midtown Campus

24. Who is the current provider of Optometry services?

Response: Dr. Dwight Boyd

25. How many days during the week is Sick Call conducted?

Response: 5

26. What is the monthly cost for the Internet services?

Response: MCP does not provide these services; refer to page 21 of the RFP specifications.

27. What is the monthly cost for the telephone services?

Response: MCP does not provide these services; refer to page 21 of the RFP specifications.

28. Have medical employees been required to report or subpoenaed to local court systems in the past year, and if so, how many times?

Response: No

29. Does the County or the current medical provider have any type of catastrophic medical cost insurance plan in place for this facility?

Response: No

30. Please provide an approximate number of calls received by medical staff to report to intake/booking for medical clearance of an inmate into the facility.

Response: N/A

31. Is a medical copay in place for patients who are seen by medical staff? And if so, what is that policy/practice?

Response: Yes, a \$5.00 copay is charged for all medical visits with the exception of injuries sustained during work detail and chronic care patients.

32. Is there a discharge planning process in place? And if so, can you explain the process?

Response: No

33. Please state any current schedule in place for medical staff to hold sick-call clinics each day.

Response: There are two sick-calls: A.M. before 0600 work call and P.M. after 1700 work call.

34. Does the facility have available Wi-Fi for the medical areas?

Response: No; refer to the RFP specifications, page 21, Section V.

B. FORTHCOMING ADDENDUM:

Muscogee County Prison staff are diligently working to provide responses to all questions. Within the next several business days, the Purchasing Division will release another addendum to answer those questions that have not been addressed.

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