

SOLE SOURCE DETERMINATION

The Purchasing Division has been requested to approve a sole source purchase for the commodity or service described below. Pursuant to West Virginia Code 5A-3-10c, the Purchasing Division is attempting to determine whether the commodity or service is a sole source procurement. If you believe your company meets the required experience and qualification criteria stated below, please e-mail the Purchasing Division at team@wvadmin.gov to express your interest in the project. Please forward any and all information that will support your company's compliance with required qualification and eligibility criteria along with any other pertinent information relative to this project to the Purchasing Division no later than 11-03-06.

Requisition Number: EHP70391

Department/Agency: BPH/OEHP (DSDC)

Detailed Description of Project: Expert Health Data Systems, Inc. has developed and maintained from scratch an electronic reporting system to capture all the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) requirements for HIV/AIDS. This is a non-named web-based electronic reporting and collection system. Every state is required to capture and report HIV/AIDS data directly to CDC.

Proposed Sole Source Vendor: Expert Health Data Systems, Inc.

Specific Eligibility Criteria: The West Virginia HIV/AIDS & STD Program in the Bureau for Public Health, WV Department of Health and Human Resources requires the services of a suitable vendor to supply a user friendly, web-based data collection and analysis system (software) for the purpose of evaluating the quality, quantity and progress of the HIV prevention related activities being conducted statewide by funded community based organizations.

This system will enable the HIV/AIDS & STD Program to effectively and efficiently compile and analyze HIV prevention event-related data in standard format and report to the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC) in accordance with the stipulations of the CDC Health Department Evaluation Guidance (<http://www.cdc.gov/hiv/about/perb/hdg.htm>). This system will also enable the HIV/AIDS & STD program to monitor and evaluate the progress made on achieving all HIV Prevention objectives in West Virginia on a monthly, quarterly, semi-annual and annual basis. This will be done to ensure equitable distribution of resources and to address the changing dynamics of the HIV/AIDS epidemic in West Virginia.

Specific Qualification Criteria:

1. The vendor will provide a software package in compliance with all CDC requirements as defined in the CDC Health Department Evaluation Guidance (see <http://www.cdc.gov/hiv/aboutdhap/perb/hdg.htm>)
2. The system should operate under Microsoft product i.e. Windows 2000 or 2003 server, .NET or Active Server Pages (ASP).
3. The database will adopt Microsoft's SQL server.
4. The vendor must be able to host the system on it's own server and provide written documentation to support regular daily backup, encryption and other security measures. Appropriate additional financial compensation in the form of a yearly fee for server hosting will be considered.
5. The system (software package) itself must be user friendly, have the capacity for addition of a graphics interface to generate graphics enhanced reports, have the capacity for addition of modules/reporting forms above and beyond the CDC's minimum reporting requirements.
6. The vendor must possess the following minimum qualifications:
 - a. Relevant work experience in designing and successfully implementing similar web based HIV Prevention Program Evaluation systems for health departments.
 - b. Programming experience in .NET or ASP and SQL database experience.
 - c. Experience in and a demonstrably good understanding of the CDC Health Department Evaluation Guidance.
 - d. Demonstrated ability and willingness to change/modify/tailor the system to meet the specific needs of the West Virginia HIV/AIDS & STD Program.
 - e. Proven experience in working closely with state health departments in training all relevant HIV prevention staff in the use of such systems.
 - f. Proven ability to provide technical assistance on site, by telephone and in interactive electronic format to all relevant HIV prevention staff for troubleshooting or demonstration of new/modified features of the system.
 - g. The vendor must have relevant experience in developing multi-site and multi-site source web projects.
7. The vendor must demonstrate a clear understanding of the CDC' National Electronic Disease Surveillance System and ensure that the system being provided to West Virginia HIV/AIDS & STD Program in NEDSS compliant/compatible.
8. The vendor must certify that the system being provided to the west Virginia HIV/AIDS & STD Program is compatible with the program Evaluation & Monitoring system (PEMS) currently being developed by the CDC. Upon deployment of the PEMS to states and territories, the vendor will work closely with the West Virginia HIV/AIDS & STD Program to ensure compatibility and compliance of the vendor provided system with PEMS with a view to avoiding double entry of data and compliance with all CDC reporting requirements.
9. The vendor must have proven experience in data quality control, data analysis and testing.
10. The vendor must have proven experience in securing data with the highest level of confidentiality and security.
11. The vendor must have statistical data system design and analysis experience and have the ability to develop/modify/edit/change the provision of analytical solutions on-line to all users.
12. The vendor must have experience in training of health department staff.
13. The vendor must have experience in developing reporting documents (inclusive of detailed reports).
14. The vendor must have proven web-hosting experience