

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 July 25, 2006.

Requisition Number:	HCC0705
Department/Agency:	Health Care Authority
Detailed Description of Project:	Cardiac Catherization Lab Audit Project per the attached specifications.
Proposed Sole Source Vendor:	West Virginia Medical Institute 3001 Chesterfield Place Charleston, WV 25304
Specific Eligibility Criteria:	See Attached Specifications
Specific Qualification Criteria:	See Attached Specifications



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Public Notice for the WV Health Care Authority**

To continue pilot project assessment of clinical quality indicators by a Quality Improvement Organization (QIO).

The West Virginia Health Care Authority is charged with regulation of the Certificate of Need program and with promulgating and updating the State Health Plan WV §16-2D-5.

As part of this effort, in 2003 the Authority authorized a pilot project in the area of cardiac care. The project permitted three health care facilities to offer cardiac therapeutic catheterization services without on-site cardiac surgery capabilities.

As part of the pilot project assessment, the Authority directed providers to collect clinical quality indicators. This data will be monitored and assessed by a Quality Improvement Organization (QIO) for the appropriateness of care, quality of the care and monitoring.

In 2003, the Authority entered an agreement with a vendor to perform the services necessary under the pilot. The services have been performed until May 31, 2006. At this time, it is necessary to continue the services as the pilot is ongoing.

A vendor must be a Medicare authorized QIO operating in the State of WV. A vendor must regularly perform site visits to acute care hospitals in WV. In addition, they must have current data feeds from major third party payors in the state. These profiles assist in the research and development of assessment tools and oversight of the WWHCA pilot project.

The VENDOR services will include:

- **Data Collection and Analysis.** The vendor must have an existing contract with the American College of Cardiology to receive data feeds in addition to a nationwide network of quality improvement consultants to review medical records on- or off- site and electronically transmit information for computerized analysis.
- **Data quality.** The vendor must provide research and study of quality, reliability and validity of the health care data. Studies of data quality encompass the entire data stream, from the data entry operator's work incentives to collection, processing and analysis.
- **Evidence-based Guideline, Criteria and Indicator Development.** The vendor must provide services of abstraction, analysis and feed back performance to health professionals, and also work with interdisciplinary groups of health care professionals to develop guidelines, criteria and indicators.
- **Quality Improvement.** The vendor must work with providers of care to improve administrative and clinical delivery systems.

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- **Utilization Management and Utilization Review.** A vendor must provide appropriateness of care criteria and utilization management.
- **Medical and Peer Review.** The vendor must have available a network of board-certified physician reviewers in all specialties and nurse specialists to support utilization management services and peer review activity.
- **Audit and Validation Studies.** The vendor will provide patient chart and ACC audit activity as directed.