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## Request for Quotation

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#### GENERAL TERMS & CONDITIONS REQUEST FOR QUOTATION (RFQ) AND REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)

- 1. Awards will be made in the best interest of the State of West Virginia.
- 2. The State may accept or reject in part, or in whole, any bid.
- 3. All quotations are governed by the West Virginia Code and the Legislative Rules of the Purchasing Division.
- 4. Prior to any award, the apparent successful vendor must be properly registered with the Purchasing Division and have paid the required \$125.00 registration fee.
- 5. All services performed or goods delivered under State Purchase Orders/Contracts are to be continued for the term of the Purchase Order/Contract, contingent upon funds being appropriated by the Legislature or otherwise being made available. In the event funds are not appropriated or otherwise available for these services or goods, this Purchase Order/Contract becomes void and of no effect after June 30.
- 6. Payment may only be made after the delivery and acceptance of goods or services.
- 7. Interest may be paid for late payment in accordance with the West Virginia Code.
- 8. Vendor preference will be granted upon written request in accordance with the West Virginia Code.
- 9. The State of West Virginia is exempt from federal and state taxes and will not pay or reimburse such taxes.
- 10. The Director of Purchasing may cancel any Purchase Order/Contract upon 30 days written notice to the seller.
- 11. The laws of the State of West Virginia and the *Legislative Rules* of the Purchasing Division shall govern all rights and duties under the Contract, including without limitation the validity of this Purchase Order/Contract.
- 12. Any reference to automatic renewal is hereby deleted. The Contract may be renewed only upon mutual written agreement of the parties.
- 13. BANKRUPTCY: In the event the vendor/contractor files for bankruptcy protection, this Contract may be deemed null and void, and terminated without further order.
- 14. HIPAA Business Associate Addendum The West Viginia State Government HIPAA Business Associate Addendum (BAA), approved by the Attorney General, and available online at the Purchasing Division's web site (http://www.state.wv.us/admin/purchase/vrc/hipaa.htm) is hereby made part of the agreement. Provided that, the Agency meets the definition of a Covered Entity (45 CFR §160.103) and will be disclosing Protected Health Information (45 CFR §160.103) to the vendor.

#### **INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS**

- 1. Use the quotation forms provided by the Purchasing Division.
- 2. SPECIFICATIONS: Items offered must be in compliance with the specifications. Any deviation from the specifications must be clearly indicated by the bidder. Alternates offered by the bidder as EQUAL to the specifications must be clearly defined. A bidder offering an alternate should attach complete specifications and literature to the bid. The Purchasing Division may waive minor deviations to specifications.
- 3. Complete all sections of the quotation form.
- Unit prices shall prevail in cases of discrepancy.
- 5. All quotations are considered F.O.B. destination unless alternate shipping terms are clearly identified in the quotation.
- 6. BID SUBMISSION: All quotations must be delivered by the bidder to the office listed below prior to the date and time of the bid opening. Failure of the bidder to deliver the quotations on time will result in bid disqualifications.

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#	RFP Section(s)	Page	Questions & Answers
1.	General		Q: Please define the existing hardware, software and communications
		}	protocols in place so we may understand interfaces and compatibility.  A: The hardware includes: 100 MB LAN, checkpoint firewalls, and CISCO
ľ			routers. Protocol includes support for any IP based transport (sockets, http,
			ftp, msmq, etc). Compatibility includes any .NET remote program initiation
			methodology. The current timeout threshold is 12 seconds for the entire
İ			adjudication cycle.
2.	General		Q: Is the current POS system capable of formatting a message
			transaction between vendors / systems to facilitate the process?
			A: Yes. This could be a software library with a defined API, this could be
		ļ	an interface, or many other possibilities. The MMIS fiscal agent would
		}	require a detailed analysis of the vendor software and network location
			(local system, LAN, WAN) and content of data required.
3.	General		Q: Would an external datastore to support the PA criteria module be
			acceptable to minimize the load on the POS data base?
			A: Yes, if it is shown capable of meeting agreed upon transaction time
			requirements and is kept in synch with the one in the POS.
4.	General		Q: After reading the RFP and attending the pre-bid conference it is
		İ	difficult to envision the system flow as it relates to the proposed system
			interfaces with the Host MMIS, the Web Portal described in
			BMS80645. Is it conceivable that a diagram of the existing system/s and
			the proposed project as described be made available. It is difficult to
		-	understand the interface requirements.
			A: Some of the interfaces may be defined by a vendor's solution; therefore,
			to define in detail a project "solution" may not take into account a feasible
			solution. We will provide a general diagram that displays a possible
			method for connectivity. See appendix A. Note that the diagram in Appendix A only displays how the requirements in this and the two other
			related RFPs (BMS80644 and BMS80645) interact within the MMIS POS
	Ì		work flow. The diagram does not include the work flow for all of the
			requirements represented in the scope of work for this and the other two
			RFPs.
5.	General		Q: Does the BMS have a table of preferred pharmacy list and codes
			that is available that can be added to the specifications?
			A: Yes. This would be provided to the winning vendor. You may also go to
			the BMS website to view current, past and proposed preferred drug lists:
			(http://www.wvdhhr.org/bms/sPharmacy/PDL/bms_PDList_Page.asp).
		***************************************	Prior authorization criteria and step therapy guidelines may also be found
			at: http://www.wvdhhr.org/bms/sPharmacy/drugs/bms_drugs_main.asp.
6.	General		Q: What is the anticipated contract signing date for RFP BMS80643 -
		L	automated prior authorization services?
			<b>A</b> : We estimate this date to be May $31^{st}$ .

#	RFP Section(s)	Page	Questions & Answers
7.	General	#2 regions received the state	Q: How many prescription claims does BMS anticipate being
			processed each month?
			A: The BMS pharmacy POS processes approximately (680,000) claims per
			month and approves approximately (68%) of these.
8.	General		Q: How many drugs are on the current prior authorization list?
			Can the Agency provide a list of the drugs?
			A: Please refer to question #5.
9.	General		Q: How many prior authorization calls are currently handled by the
			help desk monthly?
			A: The prior authorization help desk averages 7666 calls and faxes per
			month related to prior authorizations and edit overrides. The help desk
			processes requests per month (including prior authorizations and edit
			overrides.
10.	General		Q: What is the estimated cost per prior authorization handled in the
			current environment?
			A: The estimated cost per prior authorization is approximately \$11.00.
11.	1.16	11	Q: Can you define the allowable Design-Development-Implementation
			(DDI) phase for this project?
			A: The preferable DDI phase for this project would be five (5) months. We
			would look to the vendors' proposed solutions to outline details within this
			preference and understand there may be conditions that would lengthen or
			shorten this timeframe. It is our desire to implement this program as soon
			as possible.
12.	2.2	15	Q: Could you define the method expected for messages to
			automatically be sent to the pharmacists: fax transmission, NCPDP
			transmissions, email, etc.?
			A: NCPDP transmissions.
13.	2.2	16	Q: Please define "3.2 Version" of the POS System. Can you give us the
			technical specifications of the 3.2 system so that we can ensure that our Automated PA System will be compatible with the POS?
1			A: Version 3.2 refers to the current commercial off-the-shelf MMIS
			running in West Virginia: QNXT's HealthPAS. Presently the fiscal agent is
			running version 2.4 of their HealthPAS and has plans to upgrade to version
			3.2 sometime in the next year. The HealthPAS system interfaces with their
			HIPAA compliant NCPDP Version 5.1 POS (see question and answer #1
			for more information on the POS).
14.	2.2	16	Q: Describe point of origin for the PA request.
			A: The PA request originates from the POS, which in the current system,
			denies the claim and sends a message to the submitting pharmacy stating
			that a PA is required for the claim. The diagram in Appendix A displays
		:	this work flow.
15.	2.2		Q: Please clarify what the State means by "3.2 version of the system".
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16.	3.2.1.1., 4.1	17, 20	Q: Is it permissible to delete the phrase "integrate directly into" and replace it with "feed directly to" or "send directly to"? (As separate proprietary products, it might be difficult to "integrate directly into" another vendor's POS).  A: Yes. We will change this phrase to state "feed directly into." See the addendum for this change.
17.	3.2.1.7	17	Q: Please clarify and confirm who will be responsible for the costs associated with modifications to the MMIS required in order to interface with the new automated prior authorization system.  A: WV BMS and the fiscal agent (where applicable by contract) will be responsible for the costs associated with modifications to the MMIS required in order to interface with the new automated prior authorization system. However, it should be noted that solutions requiring fewer changes to the MMIS that meet the RFP requirements would be scored higher where applicable.
18.	3.2.2 Reporting Requirem ents	17	Q: Please clarify what the State means by "new medical service codes" in the introductory paragraph to the reporting requirements.  A: Service codes that are opened by the Bureau or codes which are updated or introduced as part of standard coding, when appropriate.
19.	General		Q. Is this a new purchase? If not, what is the name of the incumbent contractor?  A. This is a new contact
20.	General		Q. What is the estimated total value of the contract to be awarded? Will this be a firm-fixed price?  A. Because we use the method of best value purchasing for bid evaluations, an estimated value of a contract is not disclosed to potential bidders. It will be a firm-fixed price contract.
21.	General		Q. What is the contact information for the Program Manager or Technical Lead for the contract?  A. The Program Manager is Peggy King, Director of Pharmacy Services and the Technical Lead for the project is Vicki Cunningham, Drug Utilization Review Coordinator.

#### RFP#BMS80643 Addendum

Section 1.9.3 <u>Add the following text</u>: Please provide an electronic copy of the technical proposal in Word format.

**Section 1.16** <u>Add the following text</u>: A demonstration of the Vendor's product may be requested during the bid evaluation process.

- **3.2.1** Specific requirements are (but not limited to) an application that provides:
- 3.2.1.1 <u>Replace all of the text in 3.2.1.1 with the following text</u>: A screening system that will feed directly to the currently existing Point-of-Sale system without significantly affecting performance of the Point-of-Sale system, resulting in increased significant claims adjudication time for claims processing or timeouts of the system.
- 3.2.1.9 <u>Replace all of the text in 3.2.1.9 with the following text:</u> Established preset portfolio of suggested prior authorizations with appropriate diagnosis codes for review and approval by BMS and ongoing suggestions for prior authorizations based on utilization and cost of drugs to BMS.
- 3.2.12 <u>Add the following text:</u> The automated prior authorization system should have the same availability requirements as the claims processing system.
- 3.2.2 Reporting Requirements
- 3.2.2.6 <u>Replace all of the text in 3.2.2.6 with the following text</u>: All authorization requests shall be logged to allow tracking of service requests and reporting of the time required to complete the automated prior authorization cycle.

#### Part 4 Proposal Format

#### Section II Vendor Experience and Qualifications

The Vendor should discuss its experience and capability related to the following tasks:

Add the following bullet point and text:

 Demonstration of proposed or similar software solution to be provided.

#### Section III Qualifications of Project Staff

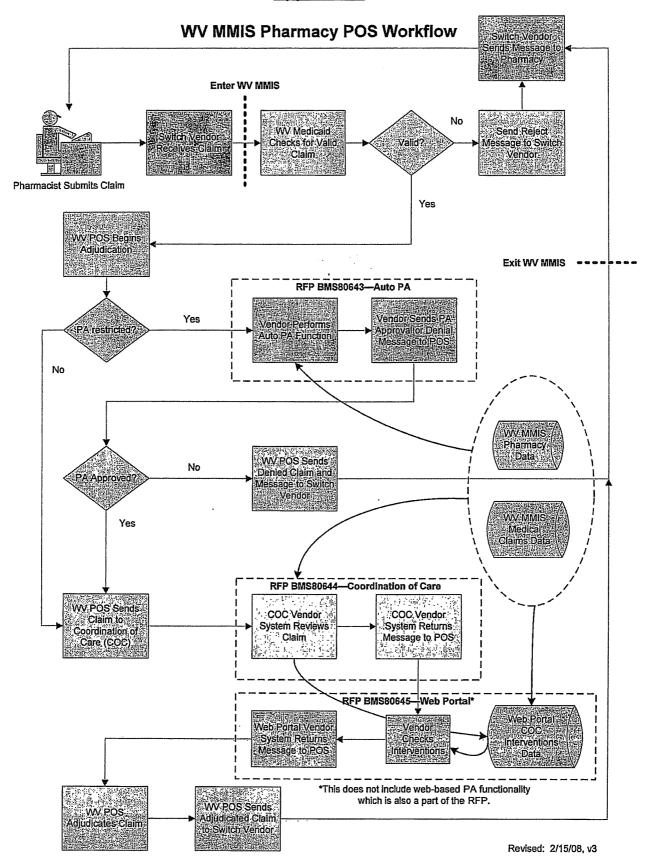
#### Competence

The Vendor should meet the following requirements: (Replace "Coordination of Care System" with "Automated PA System" in the following bullets for this section.)

- Sufficient physical, technological, and financial resources to implement and maintain the operation of an *Automated PA System*.
- Other clinical and non-clinical skills necessary to carry out the implementation and support of an *Automated PA System*.

Purchasing Affidavit—An updated version is provided separately.

#### Appendix A



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