

Questions and Responses Document No. 1
Support and Maintenance for EDITPS MMIS II Request for Proposals
DHMH OPASS# 15-14260
November 21, 2014

This list of questions and responses is being issued to clarify certain information contained in the above referenced RFP. Nothing in the State's response to these questions, unless otherwise notes, is to be construed as agreement to or acceptance of any statement or interpretation on the part of the vendor.

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1	Would DHMH consider adding a VSBE requirement to the Support and Maintenance EDITPS and MMIS II solicitation?	No. All goals for this solicitation have been established.
2	Is there an incumbent on this RFP?	Yes. - The incumbent is Computer Sciences Corporation. (CSC)
3	In Section 4.4.1.4, regarding the Executive Summary, it states: "The Summary should identify the Service Category(ies) and Region(s) for which the Offeror is proposing to provide services (if applicable)." Service Categories and regions are not mentioned anywhere else in the RFP. Question: Are the Service Categor(ies) and Region(s) applicable to this procurement?	N/A
4	"... if a subcontractor cannot meet all of these requirements but can meet the requirements of a labor category, can that subcontractor be bid as a subcontractor in a prime contractor's proposal?"	The minimum qualifications ultimately need to be met by the prime contractor. These requirements do not need to be specifically met by a subcontractor performing on the contract.
5	Will the State kindly identify the specific contract term(s) in Attachment A that are mandatory, since this has not been defined in the RFP?	The State has indicated that an Offeror is deemed to have accepted Attachment A in its entirety unless specific exceptions are clearly identified. The State has also indicated that a Proposal that takes any exception to Attachment A may be rejected.

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6	Since the State has made it perfectly clear that taking exception to its mandatory contract terms puts a vendor's proposal at risk of being rejected, will the State kindly provide the specific COMAR reference for each contract term that its classifying as mandatory	COMAR 21.07.01 identifies mandatory contract provisions. Certainly, Offerors may not take exception to terms mandated in COMAR. In addition, as noted above, exception to any term may result in rejection. The State has developed a comprehensive template document for its procurements that puts all Offerors on equal footing. The State does not anticipate material revisions to the document that could necessitate reprocurement. Nevertheless, Offerors have the option to take exceptions and the State will consider whether the exceptions are in its best interest on a case by case basis.
7	For those contract terms in Attachment A that are not classified as mandatory and supported by COMAR, can vendors assume that these terms are negotiable as part of the solicitation process? If not, please explain why?	As indicated above, Offerors may not assume that any term and condition is negotiable, without regard to whether the term is listed as mandatory in COMAR. The State reserves the right to retain any and all terms in its best interest.