

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
OFFICE OF HEALTH STRATEGY**

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)
FOR
HEALTH CARE COST GROWTH AND QUALITY BENCHMARKS AND PRIMARY
CARE SPEND TARGET CONSULTING SERVICES**

FOURTH Addendum

RELEASE DATE 2/20/2020

The OHS's official responses to questions submitted as of noon, February 20, 2020 are as follows:

1. The RFP indicates that "one or more contractors may be awarded contracts under this scope of work." Would OHS consider proposals for only one or more service areas, but not all?

Response: Yes, a Contractor may submit a proposal for Service Area(s), however, any proposals for one or more Service Areas should include a discussion of the Contractor's ability to work with other contractors on a joint project of this complexity, with examples.

2. If #1 above is possible, would OHS consider recommending that more than one firm join proposals in order to complete all service areas?

Response: OHS is accepting competitive proposals from Contractor(s) wishing to bid only on certain Service Areas. Each Proposal will be reviewed, and we will award a contract for each Service Area or combination of Service Areas to the Contractor(s) with the highest score in each Service Area.

3. If the winning bidder does not, after a "good faith effort," have the ability to set aside 25% for a woman or minority owned subcontractor, would OHS consider a separate bid from one such subcontractor for a portion of the service areas?

Response: Small, Minority or Women's Business Enterprise: Section 32-9e of the Connecticut General Statutes, superseded by Section 4a-60g sets forth the requirements of each executive branch agency relative to the Connecticut Small Business Set-Aside program. Pursuant to that statute, twenty-five (25%) of the average total of all contracts let for each of the three previous fiscal years must be set aside. The OHS requires that the resultant Contractor make a "good-faith effort" to set aside a portion of this contract for a small, minority or women's business enterprise as a subcontractor. Such subcontractors may supply goods or services. Prospective Respondents may obtain a list of bidders certified to participate in the Set-Aside program by visiting the Department of Administrative Services website.