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Revision to a Request for a Standing Offer

Révision à une demande d'offre à commandes

Regional Individual Standing Offer (RISO)

Offre à commandes individuelle régionale (OCIR)

The referenced document is hereby revised; unless otherwise indicated, all other terms and conditions of the Offer remain the same.

Ce document est par la présente révisé; sauf indication contraire, les modalités de l'offre demeurent les mêmes.

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Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation 5A090-192272/A	Date 2019-09-25
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Date de la demande de l'offre à commandes originale	
Solicitation Closes - L'invitation prend fin at - à 02:00 PM on - le 2019-10-08	
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Instructions: See Herein

Instructions: Voir aux présentes

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The Offeror hereby acknowledges this revision to its Offer. Le proposant constate, par la présente, cette révision à son offre.		
Signature	Date	
Name and title of person authorized to sign on behalf of offeror. (type or print) Nom et titre de la personne autorisée à signer au nom du proposant. (taper ou écrire en caractères d'imprimerie)		
For the Minister - Pour le Ministre		

INDIGENOUS SERVICES CANADA (ISC)
**BACKUP NURSING SERVICES TO REMOTE, ISOLATED, AND SEMI ISOLATED
FIRST NATIONS (FN) COMMUNITIES**
SOLICITATION NO. 5A090-192272/A
AMENDMENT 004

This amendment contains the following section:

Section 1: Questions and Answers

Note: Questions are numerically sequenced upon arrival at PSPC. A question and its answer will be provided via BuyandSell as the response becomes available. Potential Offerors are therefore advised that questions and answers may be issued via BuyandSell out of sequence. The following questions have been received. In accordance with Article 13 of the 2006 Standard Instructions – Request for Standing Offers – Goods or Services - Competitive Requirements (2019-03-04), which has been incorporated into the RFSO, the questions and corresponding answers are provided to all potential Offerors as set out below:

Question 25:

If our company received a Designated Organization Screening (DOS) security clearance in 2018 from the last Standing Offer, do we have to request sponsorship to obtain another security clearance or can we include information on the previous clearance in our offer?

Answer 25:

If a company previously obtained a security clearance that meets the RFSO requirements, and that clearance remains valid, then there is no need to request an additional security sponsorship for the RFSO. Please refer to amendment 001, question and answer 3 for clarification as to how to present information from an existing security clearance in an offer.

However, if a company has previously obtained a security clearance, and that clearance has since expired, then the company should renew their clearance through the Contract Security Program. The following link can be used to obtain information on how to renew an organization security clearance: <https://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/esc-src/organisation-organization/renouveler-renew-eng.html#s3a>

Question 26:

With reference to Amendment #2 Section 2: Modifications to the Solicitation.

Mandatory Requirement #2 (M2) of the RFSO has been amended to allow services delivered in one of the Isolated Posts listed in Appendix B to Attachment 1 to Part 4. Can we assume that the addition of Isolated Posts listed in Appendix B to Attachment 1 to Part 4 also applies to the services delivered in Rated Requirement #1 (P1), to include the services delivered in any Isolated Posts and the Remote, Isolated, or Semi Isolated First Nations Communities (including those in different provinces)?

Answer 26:

No. Point rated criteria A-P1, A-P(NP)1, M-P1, M-P(NP)1, O-P1, O-P(NP)1 and Q-P1 measure the Offeror's specific experience working in Remote, Isolated, or Semi-Isolated First Nations communities (as listed in Appendix A to Attachment 1 to Part 4) in the Region for which the Offeror is submitting an offer and for which Work will be delivered should the Offeror be successful under the RFSO and resulting TA Group

Invitation process.

Question 27:

With reference to Mandatory Requirement #2 (M2) for all Regions and Categories, the second paragraph that states:

The Offeror must demonstrate that they have a minimum of XXX calendar months of cumulative experience, obtained within the period of September 1, 2016 to August 31, 2019, in the provision and management of a roster of no less than XXX Contract Nurses or NPs within each of the twelve calendar months submitted by the Offeror to substantiate this criterion. For each of the twelve calendar months used to demonstrate this criterion, the Offeror must demonstrate that the services delivered by each of the XXX Contract Nurses or NPs was obtained in one of the Remote, Isolated, or Semi-Isolated First Nations communities listed in Appendix A to Attachment 1 to Part 4 or in one of the Isolated Posts listed in Appendix B to Attachment 1 to Part 4.

Would ICS please confirm that the “twelve calendar months used to demonstrate this criterion” does not have to be obtained simultaneously by the Contract Nurses or NPs as long as they were individually obtained during the required timeframe and locations? In essence, if submitting only 5 nurses, please confirm that the timelines used do not need to be identical for each nurse.

Answer 27:

The Offeror must demonstrate that for each month submitted in their offer to demonstrate these criteria, that there were no less than the minimum number of Registered Nurses or Nurse Practitioners on their roster (as required by the specific criterion) who were delivering services in Remote, Isolated, or Semi-Isolated First Nations communities as listed in Appendix A to Attachment 1 to Part 4 or in Isolated Posts as listed in Appendix B to Attachment 1 to Part 4 throughout that calendar month.

The twelve calendar months submitted (out of the possible 36 months within September 1, 2016 to August 31, 2019) do not need to be sequential.

Each Registered Nurse or Nurse Practitioner used to demonstrate these criteria (as determined by the specific criterion) must each have the minimum number of Regular Working Hours of billed service delivery per calendar month (as required by the specific criterion), or the minimum Regular Working Hours of billed service delivery within the period of September 1, 2016 to August 31, 2019 (as required by the specific criterion).

In the example where an Offeror only submits 5 nurses (either Registered Nurses or Nurse Practitioners, as required depending on the specific criterion) that have delivered services in Remote, Isolated, or Semi-Isolated First Nations communities as listed in Appendix A to Attachment 1 to Part 4 or in Isolated Posts as listed in Appendix B to Attachment 1 to Part 4, the 5 nurses would each have to have worked during each of the 12 calendar months submitted by the Offeror and would each need to meet the minimum number of Regular Working Hours of billed service delivery per calendar month (as required by the specific criterion) or the minimum Regular Working Hours of billed service delivery within the period of September 1, 2016 to August 31, 2019 (as required by the specific criterion).