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Proposal To: **Public Health Agency of Canada** We hereby offer to sell to Her Majesty the King in right of Canada, in accordance with the terms and conditions set out herein, referred to herein or attached hereto, the goods, services, and construction listed herein and on any attached sheets at the price(s) set out thereof.

Proposition à:

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Nous offrons par la présente de vendre à Sa Majesté le Roi du chef du Canada, aux conditions énoncées ou incluses par référence dans la présente et aux annexes ci-jointes, les biens, services et construction énumérés ici sur toute feuille ci-annexées, au(x) prix indiqué(s).

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Title - Sujet Canadian Acute-Care Point Prevalence Survey (CAPPS) Solicitation No. – N° de l'invitation Amendment No.-1000252004 N° de Modification 001 Date: 31 August 2023 Time Zone Solicitation Closes at -Fuseau horaire L'invitation prend fin à 12:00 PM 2:00 PM Eastern Daylight on / le - September 7, 2023 Time (EDT) F.O.B. - F.A.B. Plant-Usine: Destination: Other-Autre: Address Enquiries to: - Adresser toutes questions à : Name: Lana Ibrahim Email: contracts.east-est.contrats@hc-sc.gc.ca **Destination – of Goods, Services, and Construction:** Destination - des biens, services et construction : See Herein - Voir ici Delivery required - Livraison exigée See Herein - Voir ici Vendor/firm Name and address Raison sociale et adresse du fournisseur/de l'entrepreneur Facsimile No. - N° de télécopieur : Telephone No. – N° de téléphone : Name and title of person authorized to sign on behalf of Vendor/firm Nom et titre de la personne autorisée à signer au nom du fournisseur/de l'entrepreneur (Type or print)/ (taper ou écrire en caractères d'imprimerie) Signature Date

Amendment 001 to solicitation #1000252004 - is issued in order to:

Respond to questions received.

1. QUESTIONS

Question# 1. On page 12, the solicitation states: "The bidder must be a national association as demonstrated on their publicly available website that represents registered hospital-based medical microbiologists and/or infectious disease physicians specializing in the fields of medical microbiology and infectious diseases." Can you please clarify what this requirement means? More specifically:

- a. Can you please define "national"?
- b. Please confirm that an organization headquartered in the United States but able to do business internationally can bid on this opportunity.
- c. Regarding the requirement that the "association. . .represents registered hospital-based medical microbiologists and/or infectious disease physicians," can you please define what "represents" means?
 - i. Additionally, does the applicant to this opportunity have to be the association representing registered hospital-based medical microbiologists and/or infectious disease physicians?

Answer #1:

- a. With membership from multiple provinces/territories
- b. As long as the US organization has national representation from Canada e.g. membership from multiple provinces/territories
- c. Represents = includes membership from "registered hospital-based medical microbiologists and/or infectious disease physicians" AND provides professional development opportunities/advocates on behalf of the membership. This association represents these individuals through a formalized governance structure including terms of reference and membership.
 - i. Yes.

Question #2: On page 13, the solicitation states: "The bidder must represent physicians and medical microbiologists with privileges at a minimum of 140 hospitals in Canada. The bidder must identify and provide a list of hospitals that they partner with." Can you please clarify what this requirement means? More specifically:

- a. Regarding the requirement that the bidder represent physicians and medical microbiologists with privileges at a minimum of 140 hospitals in Canada, can you please define what "privileges" means?
- b. Regarding the bidder identifying a list of hospitals that they partner with, can you please define what "partner" means?

Answer #2:

- a. We are referring to privileges associated with employment status and that they are accredited in their specialty (e.g. MD).
- b. Partnership is defined as the member affiliations to the hospitals they have employment status with.

Question# 3: We noticed that the <u>Canadian Nosocomial Infection Surveillance Program (CNISP)</u> and <u>Infection Prevention and Control Canada (IPAC)</u> do related work to this project. Can you please expand on how this project's work would integrate with CNISP and IPAC?

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Answer# 3:

This survey will build upon three-point prevalence surveys conducted in 2002, 2009 and 2017 by CNISP. For Canadian hospitals, these repeated surveys are widely utilized to benchmark hospital-acquired infection, ARO and AMU rates, measure changes in prevalence over time, provide information on AMR control programs and identify new targets for surveillance. This aligns with existing CNISP work to help fulfill the program's mandate.

IPAC has representation within CNISP and they routinely collaborate with CNISP.

Question#4: Would an extension past the original deadline of September 7, 2023 at 2:00 PM Eastern time be at all possible?

Answer# 4: No. An extension is not possible with the timelines for our project.

All other terms and conditions remain the same