

**DETERMINATION AND FINDINGS
FOR A SOLE SOURCE EXTENSION OF CONTRACT**

CONTRACT NO: DCHT-2014-C-0006/CW34656

CAPTION: Comprehensive Oral Health Services

PROPOSED CONTRACTOR: Quality Plan Administrators (QPA)

PROGRAM AGENCY: Department of Health Care Finance (DHCF)

FINDINGS

1. AUTHORIZATION:

D.C. Official Code §2-354.04, 27 DCMR §§1304, 1700 and 1701.

2. MINIMUM NEED:

Department of Health Care Finance (DHCF) has a continuing need for a dental administrator in order to provide access to a dental provider network for the Districts' Medicaid Eligible Fee for Service (FFS) beneficiaries. The dental administrator's requirements shall include developing and maintaining an adequate network of dental providers and providing the related administrative and support services.

The Period of Performance shall commence from January 01, 2016 through March 31, 2016.

3. ESTIMATED REASONABLE PRICE:

The estimated fair and reasonable price to provide the required services for the Period of Performance for January 01, 2016 through March 31, 2016 shall be in the amount of \$65,906.96. The fair and reasonable price has been estimated based upon historical performance costs.

4. FACTS WHICH JUSTIFY SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT:

The following facts justify the Sole Source Procurement:

- The current contractor, QPA, has provided the FFS population access to dental provider network, beneficiary services, and related administrative services since April 1, 2008.
- The contractor's network provides the FFS population access to QPA dental providers not enrolled as dental providers in the FFS program.

- Currently, a significant number of FFS beneficiaries are in active dental treatment with QPA dental providers that are not enrolled in the FFS program. If the District were to award the contract to a contractor other than QPA, the FFS beneficiaries would lose access to those QPA dental providers not enrolled in the FFS program as a new provider needs to build a network, notify participants, and perform other enrollment functions. Therefore, a sole source procurement is necessary to continue the FFS beneficiaries access to their QPA dental providers and maintain the continuity of dental care for the FFS recipients.
- The three month extension supports the District's efforts to maintain current and active human and health care services in support of District residents and will allow a Human Care Agreement to be awarded in its place during this time.
- A market survey was completed for this procurement. A Request for Information (RFI), was opened to the public and posted for 21 days through E-Sourcing, Solicitation Doc. No. 211363 with a closing date of August 13, 2015. The only response received was from the incumbent, Quality Plan Administrators. To ensure that the Human Care Agreement is attractive to a mass audience of Offerors and to promote full and open competition, adjustments to the language and qualification factors have been implemented with the assistance of the Office of the Attorney General (OAG), the Office of Contracting and Procurement (OCP) and the Department of Health Care Finance program staff.
- Currently, QPA is the only contractor available to meet the District's immediate requirement for access to QPA dental providers in order to avoid an interruption in critical health services for District residents. QPA has performed responsibly, has been responsive to the FFS population and is most suitable to provide services on an extended term.

5. CERTIFICATION BY AGENCY HEAD:

I hereby certify that the above findings are true, correct and complete.

Date

Wayne Turnage
Director, DHCF

6. CERTIFICATION BY CONTRACTING OFFICER:

I have reviewed the above findings and certify that they are sufficient to justify the use of the sole source method of procurement under the cited authority. I certify that the notice of intent to award a sole source contract was published in accordance with 27 DCMR 1304. I recommend that the Chief Procurement Officer approve the use of the sole source procurement method for this proposed contract.

Date

Helena Barbour
Contracting Officer

DETERMINATION

Based on the above findings and in accordance with the cited authority, I hereby determine that it is not feasible or practical to invoke the competitive solicitation process under either Section 402 or 403 of the District of Columbia Procurement Practices Reform Act of 2010 (D.C. Law 18-371; D.C. Official Code § 2-354.04). Accordingly, I determine that the District is justified in using the sole source method of procurement.

Date

George A. Schutter
Chief Procurement Officer