

**DETERMINATION AND FINDINGS
FOR A
SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT**

**CONTRACT NO: TBD
CAPTION: Development of Public Health Case Reporting
PROPOSED CONTRACTOR: SAIC
PROGRAM AGENCY: Department of Health**

FINDINGS

1. AUTHORIZATION:

D.C. Official Code §2-354.04, 27 DCMR 1304 and 1702

2. MINIMUM NEED:

The District of Columbia Department of Health (DC DOH), Health Emergency Preparedness and Response Administration (HEPRA), Division of Epidemiology-Disease Surveillance and Investigation (DE-DSI) requires a contractor to develop Public Health Case Reporting (PHCR) between jurisdictions utilizing the National Electronic Disease Surveillance (NEDSS) Based System (NBS), as developed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Period of Performance is one (1) year from date of award.

3. ESTIMATED REASONABLE PRICE: \$150,000.00

4. FACTS WHICH JUSTIFY SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT:

The District of Columbia Department of Health (DC DOH), Health Emergency Preparedness and Response Administration (HEPRA) has been working with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and SAIC on the development, implementation, and continued support of the NEDSS Based System (NBS). The District requests to support continued development of the NBS via development of Public Health Case Reporting between jurisdictions who are also NBS users.

In July 2011, The District of Columbia Department of Health was awarded \$150,000 from the Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity Grant (ELC) under the Affordable Care Act (ACA) to assist SAIC in the development of Public Health Case Reporting (PHCR) for the NBS.

The grant funding authority, CDC, approved SAIC through a competitive bid as the vendor authorized to provide support to the NBS. DC DOH is required to receive advanced authorization for goods and services paid with CDC funds, including approval of the selected vendor. DC DOH has been working with this vendor on system support system the NBS was implemented in July 2011.

SAIC is a GSA contractor that is responsible for development, implementation, and user support of the NBS. This contractor provides states with the NBS product and services in direct support of the disease surveillance and reporting system. In order to provide support to the District's NBS, the DC DOH and SAIC have a Business Use Agreement in place.

5. CERTIFICATION BY AGENCY HEAD:

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

Date

Dr. Mohammad N. Akhter
Director, DC Department of Health

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 and that [no response was received] [the response received was rejected because _____]. I recommend that the Chief Procurement Officer approve the use of the sole source procurement method for this proposed contract.

Date

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 § 2-354.02 or 2-354.03). Accordingly, I determine that the District is justified in using the sole source method of procurement.

Date

James D. Staton, Jr.
Chief Procurement Officer