DETERMINATION and FINDINGS
FOR A
SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT

Department: Department of Health Care Finance
Caption: Pharmacy Staffing and Pharmacy Management Services
Proposed Contract No.: DCHT-2012-C-9091
Proposed Contractor: Unity Health Care, Inc.

FINDINGS

1. AUTHORIZATION:

D.C. Code, Section 2.303.05 (1) and the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations, Title 27, Chapter 1700, Section 1701.2

2. MINIMUM NEED:

The Department of Health Care Finance (DHCF) has an immediate need for pharmacy staffing and pharmacy management services for five (5) pharmacies located throughout the District of Columbia (Anacostia, Hunt Place, DC General Campus Center; Walker Jones and Upper Cardozo/ replacement facility).

The period of performance shall be from October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2012, with four (4) Option Periods; allowing for the development of a sole source new contract. Due to re-evaluation of the Department’s plan to revisit the current distribution process of drugs for the client population which this contract serves, it is the intent of the District to revise the process. Based on the current need DHCF must continue the services on a Sole Source basis until a decision is made.

3. ESTIMATED FAIR AND REASONABLE PRICE:

The estimated fair and reasonable price to provide the pharmacy staffing and pharmacy management services is $2.4 million dollars. The proposed price has been determined fair and reasonable based on a comparison of the previous year prices to provide the same services.

4. FACTS WHICH JUSTIFY SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT:

DHCF has an urgent and continuing need to maintain the delivery of pharmacy staffing and pharmacy management services at five (5) public health pharmacies located
throughout the District of Columbia (Anacostia, Hunt Place, DC General Campus Center; Walker Jones and Upper Cardozo /replacement facility).

The services to be provided under DHCT-2012-C-9091 has been previously provided under Contract No. DCFRA #00-C-039, which was commonly known as the Alliance Master Agreement.

The decision to allow Contract No. DCFRA#00-C-039 to expire was the result of one of the principle stakeholder’s (Greater Southeast Community Hospital) inability to perform satisfactorily. DCHC-2008-C-9091 was awarded via a competitive solicitation. DCHC-2008-C-9091 expired April 2011 and extended through September 30, 2011.

Unity Health Care, Inc. has provided pharmacy staffing and pharmacy management services to medically underserved in the District of Columbia, including almost 12,000 homeless men and women either in the streets or at shelters throughout the city, through Contract No. DCHC-2008-C-9091 since 2008. Unity has performed satisfactorily under the previous contracts and has vast community base knowledge in delivering theses types of services.

A major factor in utilizing the sole source method of procurement is the District’s minimum need to ensure the uninterrupted continuation of services and the maintenance of continuity in the delivery of services to the existing Alliance population currently receiving care. The Alliance program benefits emphasize primary care and management of chronic diseases such as diabetes and hypertension, and the pharmacy staffing and pharmacy management services are absolutely essential to achieve improved positive health outcomes for this population.

5. Certification of Findings by Agency Director and Contracting Officer

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

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Wayne Turnage       Date
Director, Department of Health Care Finance
6. Certification of Findings 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 statutory authority. I recommend that the Chief Procurement Officer approve the use of the sole source procurement method for this proposed contract.

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Courtney Lattimore     Date
Contracting Officer

DETERMINATION

Based on the above findings and authority above I hereby determine that the subject services may be acquired using the sole source method of procurement.

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James Staton            Date
Chief Procurement Officer