



STATE OF TENNESSEE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS # 34347-65223
AMENDMENT # 3
FOR TOBACCO CESSATION FOR PREGNANT USERS**

DATE: September 21, 2022

RFP # 34347-65223 IS AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

1. This RFP Schedule of Events updates and confirms scheduled RFP dates. Any event, time, or date containing revised or new text is highlighted.

EVENT	TIME (central time zone)	DATE
1. RFP Issued		August 5, 2022
2. Disability Accommodation Request Deadline	2:00 p.m.	August 10, 2022
3. Pre-response Conference	10:00 a.m.	August 11, 2022
4. Notice of Intent to Respond Deadline	2:00 p.m.	August 12, 2022
5. Written "Questions & Comments" Deadline	2:00 p.m.	August 17, 2022
6. State Response to Written "Questions & Comments"		September 8, 2022
7. Second Round Written "Questions & Comments" Deadline	2:00 p.m.	September 12, 2022
8. Second Round State Response to Written "Questions & Comments"		September 21, 2022
9. Response Deadline	2:00 p.m.	October 3, 2022
10. State Completion of Technical Response Evaluations		October 12, 2022
11. State Opening & Scoring of Cost Proposals	8:00 a.m.	October 13, 2022
12. Negotiations		October 13-20, 2022
13. State Notice of Intent to Award Released and RFP Files Opened for Public Inspection	2:00 p.m.	October 21, 2022

14. End of Open File Period		October 28, 2022
15. State sends contract to Contractor for signature		October 31, 2022
16. Contractor Signature Deadline	2:00 p.m.	November 1, 2022

2. State responses to questions and comments in the table below amend and clarify this RFP.

Any restatement of RFP text in the Question/Comment column shall NOT be construed as a change in the actual wording of the RFP document.

RFP Section	#	Question/Comment	State Response
Cost Proposal & Scoring Guide (pg.27)	1	<p>Saliva tests: The details surrounding the saliva tests are unclear. As it stands now, the saliva tests are listed as a per test cost and at an evaluation factor of 600. We understand that the State has commented that not every county will be required to have saliva tests and that they will be purchased on an as needed basis. How would this work? If they are quoted as per test cost, does that mean they also must be ordered and shipped on a per test basis?</p> <p>The Contractor is not able to send individual saliva tests on an as needed basis. Detailed reasoning includes (1). saliva tests cannot be purchased in single test increments from vendors; (2). shipping and handling to send individual tests would be unsustainable and cost prohibited; and (3) sending saliva tests on an as needed basis is not efficient and conducive to program implementation as enrollment sites would not have them available when needed during services.</p> <p>Please provide further details surrounding saliva test use in program implementation, purchasing, and ordering</p>	<p>Not all locations will require the saliva tests. Those that do need the saliva tests will request those from the vendor awarded from the RFP. The vendor awarded from the RFP and the State can determine the ordering and shipping minimum for each location. However, the costs for the RFP must be submitted as per test. This is the only way the State can calculate costs given that vendors may work with suppliers who provide tests packaged in varying quantities.</p> <p>The State will request saliva tests after session 1 with a qualified participant, if necessary for availability by session 2.</p>
Cost Proposal & Scoring Guide (pg.27) and A.10 (pg. 3)	2	<p>A.10.b. One-Time Program Setup Materials Package: What this is, is still unclear. In the written answers, it states that: "For new contractors there is a onetime setup fee which will provide essential items to start the program. The essential items will likely</p>	<p>The one-time program setup materials package is a one-time setup fee for the contractor to provide essential items to the locations to start the program. The items will vary based upon the program proposed by the respondent.</p> <p>The one-time charge detailed in A.4. is a one-time setup fee related to the incentives and merchants.</p>

	<p>vary based upon the program proposed by the respondent. “</p> <p>Isn't this materials package supposed to be regarding the enrollment sites? Is this being confused with the one-time charge for Contractors upon written approval of the state which is detailed in Scope A.4. and is the first cost item listed in the cost proposal? Please clarify.</p> <p>A.10.c. Annual Equipment Maintenance Package: This cost item as written does not reflect program implementation. The only item listed in this description that is needed annually is the D-pieces and they would need a higher evaluation factor than 3, as every single county would need D-pieces once a year (D-pieces come in boxes of 12 and MUST be changed every 30 days). The other items (calibration kit and replacement calibration tank) should only be purchased on an as needed basis.</p>	<p>The unit of measure has been updated to reflect that this is an annual fee that will be paid once per year of the contract. This package is to provide all necessary maintenance on the equipment with each annual period.</p>
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3. **Delete RFP # 34347-65223 Release # 2, in its entirety, and replace it with RFP # 34347-65223, Release # 3, attached to this amendment.** Revisions of the original RFP document are emphasized within the new release. **Any sentence or paragraph containing revised or new text is highlighted.**

4. **RFP Amendment Effective Date.** The revisions set forth herein shall be effective upon release. All other terms and conditions of this RFP not expressly amended herein shall remain in full force and effect.