



*Delaware Health
And Social Services*

DIVISION OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES

PROCUREMENT

DATE: January 7th 2014

HSS 13 078

Genetic Testing Laboratory Services

FOR

Division of Child Support Enforcement

Date Due: January 17th, 2014
11:00AM

ADDENDUM # 2

Please Note:

THE ATTACHED SHEETS HEREBY BECOME A PART
OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED BID. Q&A

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	Questions	Vendor/ Pre-Bid
1	Request for clarification of the availability of funds and length of contract. Funds are available for this fiscal year for the requested service. If funding becomes unavailable in the future, the DCSE reserves the right to cancel the contract. The planned contract term is for three (3) years with an option for a one (1) year extension.	LabCorp
2	Request for clarification of the relevant details for the <i>Usage Report Submission</i> and when to submit the report. Details about the report and submission guidelines will be discussed between the selected vendor and DHSS.	LabCorp
3	How many years of line item budgets are to be prepared and submitted with the proposals? Budget preparation and submission should be completed for a three (3) year period.	LabCorp
4	Who is the contact to confirm delivery of the RFP? DHSS/Procurement – Kieran Mohammed, 302/255.9291 or email: Kieran.Mohammed @state.de.us	LabCorp
5	Section II (2) Scope of Services, CONTRACTOR Professional Licensing and Certification Requirements on page 11 states, “the Division requires that the successful bidder’s laboratory has to be currently certified or accredited by either the Parentage Testing Committee of the American Association of Blood Banks (AABB), the American Society of Histocompatibility and Immunogenetics (ASHI), or the Combined DNA Index System (CODIS). Please note that the Combined DNA Index System (CODIS) is not an accrediting body and as such, we ask that they be removed from the above listing. The contractor needs to be accredited by one (1) of the three (3) accrediting bodies. The contractor has the option to document whether or not they are CODIS certified.	LabCorp/ Bode Technolog Chromosomal La
6	Is it acceptable to omit the Social Security Number from billing invoices due to privacy issues? The last 4 digits should be included.	LabCorp
7	If the Vendor is a publicly-held corporation whose financial information is public knowledge, does the Division still require the above items be submitted in a separate section of the proposal and marked as confidential? Yes if that information is included with the vendors cost proposal. Otherwise the vendors pricing scheme will be FOIA eligible.	LabCorp
8	Can the Division please identify the “audience” of the proposed outreach education program and clarify the overall expected role of the vendor laboratory in this program?	LabCorp

	The evaluation criteria will be revised and an amendment posted to the GSS site that will eliminate the outreach education requirement.	
9	<p>Since prospective Contractors are to stipulate in their bid the price per case (a party of three) for DNA testing (per the Cost and Terms on page 19), can the Division please advise where on Appendix A and Appendix B the cost is to be written in?</p> <p>Identify the price per case as an addendum to the budget detail in Appendix B.</p>	LabCorp
10	<p>Please identify the current service provider and their fee schedule.</p> <p>The current service provider is Lap Corp and their fee schedule is proprietary.</p>	DNA Diagnostic Center, Inc. / Bode Technology Chromosomal Lab
11	<p>Is the end date for the 15 working day turnaround time based on the date the report is sent or the date it is received?</p> <p>Received.</p>	DNA Diagnostic Center, Inc.
12	<p>How many times during the last year were the services of an expert witness required? During the last three years? Zero (0)</p>	DNA Diagnostic Center, Inc./ Bode Technology Chromosomal Lab
13	<p>Can the vendor charge for partials, samples that have been collected but not yet tested, and if so, after how many days receipt and at the full price or a reduced price to be negotiated.</p> <p>Pricing terms will be discussed with the awarded vendor.</p>	DNA Diagnostic Center, Inc.
14	<p>How likely is the [contract] to be awarded no later than January 27 and is the start date of the new contract flexible given the new contract start date of February 10, 2014 and deliverable requirement A?</p> <p>The timetable is tentative.</p>	DNA Diagnostic Center, Inc.
15	<p>Please confirm the State of Delaware policy for coordinating genetic testing and billing of genetic test costs for 'Responding State' intergovernmental cases.</p> <p>Delaware pays the costs of and coordinates genetic testing when Delaware is the responding jurisdiction for an intergovernmental case.</p>	DNA Diagnostic Center, Inc.
16	<p>The RFP states "When buccal swabs are used, a label must be placed around the swabs." If the swabs are placed into an envelope and on the envelope it is verified by the person who tested (or their guardian) prior to the sample being removed from their presence, would this be considered "a label around the swabs", or does it physically need to be a sticker attached to each swab?</p> <p>a. If a guardian needs to initial/sign a sticker attached to a swab, it increases the likelihood of that swab becoming contaminated by the guardian.</p> <p>The vendor must conform to industry standards for identification and labeling of specimen collections and documentation of the chain of custody for the specimens collected.</p>	Bode Technology Chromosomal Lab