Questions and Answers to the FY 2026 RFPs

Question: For solicitation 0418-26-POLY, how many days per month this solicitation requires as well as the probation office locations that will be required to test for polygraph?

<u>Answer</u>: Based on information within the RFP, the estimated quantities that are provided represent how many polygraph examinations we anticipate each month. As it is stated within Section B, these are only estimates and the government is not bound to meet these estimates. A list of our office locations is provided below where it is expected for these polygraph examinations to be completed based on client needs.

Durham Office

2330 Broad Street Durham, NC 27704

Greensboro Office

101 South Edgeworth Street, Suite 312 Greensboro, NC 27401-2219

Pinehurst Office

285 Olmsted Blvd, Suite 9 Pinehurst, NC 28374

Salisbury Office

350 Jake Alexander Boulevard West, Suite 101 Salisbury, NC 28147-1364

Winston-Salem Office

251 North Main Street, Suite 840 Winston-Salem, NC 27101

Question: Regarding solicitation 0418-26-POLY, will Charlotte and Morganton be included in this solicitation, given that they are typically part of the Western District?

<u>Answer:</u> Typically, the only clients that you will perform polygraph examinations for will be clients of the Middle District unless there is a piggy-back agreement established with Western District. This usually is only established when there is a significant client need but is not typical.

Question: Regarding solicitation 0418-26-POLY, will polygraph examinations be conducted at the US Probation Office or will examiners be required to provide their own office space for testing purposes.

<u>Answer:</u> Examinations will be expected to be performed in one of our office locations to help meet the clients needs. A list of these office locations is listed above.

Question: How were the Estimated Monthly Quantities (EMQs) determined, and are these service minimums?

<u>Answer:</u> As it is stated within Section B, Estimated Monthly Quantities are only estimates and the government is not bound to meet these estimates. EMQs are established based on historical service utilization and are intended to provide a projection for planning and budgeting purposes. They cannot be modified or negotiated by vendors as part of the proposal. However, once the contract is in place,

the actual number of services rendered under each project code may be more or less than the EMQ, depending on the needs of the district.

Question: Is there flexibility to adjust EMQs to reflect our care model if we submit an alternate structure?

<u>Answer:</u> EMQs are established based on historical service utilization and are intended to provide a projection for planning and budgeting purposes. They cannot be modified or negotiated by vendors as part of the proposal. However, once the contract is in place, the actual number of services rendered under each project code may be more or less than the EMQ, depending on the needs of the district.

Question: Would a hybrid model that includes Telehealth be considered?

<u>Answer:</u> Please refer to the Section C Description/Statement of Work under 5(d) Telehealth where it describes what is permissible as it pertains to the use of telehealth.

Question: Are there funds allocated to support transitions of care after the grant period ends, particularly for individuals who are not insurance-eligible?

<u>Answer:</u> No additional funds are allocated beyond the contract period. However, the United States Probation Office and contracted treatment provider are expected to collaborate in planning for seamless, client-centered transitions of care, including linkage to community resources when appropriate.

Question: If granted, what are the criteria for extending the agreement beyond Year One?

<u>Answer:</u> The option to extend the term of the contract is based on the vendor following all of the criteria outlined within Section C Statement of Work, including the successful completion of monitoring visits and timely submission of invoicing, etc.

Question: Does the proposal need to be in one pdf file?

Answer: Yes, it does.

Question: Can you clarify what this means...DISCOUNT FOR PROMPT PAYMENT 10 CALENDAR DAYS 20 CALENDAR DAYS 30 CALENDAR DAYS?

Answer: Clause 7-140, Discounts for Prompt Payment

Include the following clause as prescribed in § 740.30.50(b) (Clauses).

Discounts for Prompt Payment (JAN 2003)

- (a)Discounts for prompt payment will not be considered in the evaluation of offers. However, any offered discount will form a part of the award, and will be taken if payment is made within the discount period indicated in the offer by the offeror. As an alternative to offering a discount for prompt payment in conjunction with the offer, offerors awarded contracts may include discounts for prompt payment on individual invoices.
- 2. (b)In connection with any discount offered for prompt payment, time will be computed from the date of the invoice. If the contractor has not placed a date on the invoice, the due date will be calculated from the date the designated billing office receives a proper invoice, provided the judiciary annotates such invoice with the date of receipt at the time of receipt. For the purpose

of computing the discount earned, payment will be considered to have been made on the date that appears on the payment check or, for an electronic funds transfer, the specified payment date. When the discount date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday when judiciary offices are closed and judiciary business is not expected to be conducted, payment may be made on the following business day.