



PROPOSAL#: P06-003
Enterprise Wide Report Writing System
ADDENDUM NO. 1
December 8, 2005.

The University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey is seeking a contractor to provide an Enterprise Wide Report Writing System, scheduled to open on December 22, 2005 at 2:00 PM.

Question: Re: Section 1.2.5: Will the eMPI be implemented in advance of the Enterprise Report Writer?

Answer: It is unknown when the eMPI product will be implemented in relation to the implementation of the Enterprise Report Writer.

Question: Re: Sections 1.2.7, 3.1.8 Please provide the details of the listed UMDNJ systems

Answer: Details of UMDNJ systems shall be supplied to the selected vendor on an as needed basis, as determined by UMDNJ. These details include, but are not limited to the software versions, data structures, bandwidth connections between UMDNJ and any ASP, and interface file layouts.

Question: Re: Section 2.0 What is the UMDNJ Contract Term Sheet if it is not included in the RFP or does not refer to the Standard Terms and Conditions found on the UMDNJ Purchasing Website?

Answer: The Contract Term Sheet is not included in the RFP it is only provided after award. This is a one page document used to officially begin the contract award period resulting from the procurement and shall consist of the RFP number, description of the service requested, reference the UMDNJ Standard Terms and Conditions, any addendum to the RFP, the Contractor's name, period of the contact with any option years and the estimated cost for the award.

Question: Re: Section 3.1.1 What reporting tools are currently being utilized by UMDNJ?

Answer: Business Objects (Crystal), Crystal Reports, SAS, SPSS, and Microsoft Access.

Question: Re: Section 3.1.3 Is it expected that Download Engine is real time or batch?

Answer: It is expected that the vendor will provide a description of what download engine capabilities (real-time, batch) the proposed system has. At minimum, the system should have the capability to load "near real time" (the previous day's worth of) data.

Question: Please define "abstract" and "abstraction", which appears throughout the proposal.

Answer: Grammatical error. Should read "extract" or "extraction".

Question: Re: Section 3.1.5 What ETL's are currently in use?

Answer: Will be provided to the selected vendor, on an as needed basis.

Question: Re: Section 3.1.5 Open to other ETL's?

Answer: Yes

Question: Re: Section 3.1.6 What is the definition of dynamic source data change?

Answer: Dynamic source data changes refer to the insertion, update or deletion of data values. It does not refer to changes to the source systems data structure. It is expected that the vendor will explain in detail how the vendors system handles insertions, updates and deletes to data. In other words, how the ETL tools work to identify and handle insertions, updates or deletes of source data.

Question: Re: Section 3.1.8 Please expand on what is meant by "in conjunction with". Do you mean interoperability or merely existing side by side?

Answer: Vendors are to indicate in the bid response the systems capability in this regard, including how the system works in conjunction with other third party analysis software.

Question: Please define "Tag".

Answer: A tag is the ability to put a marker on a data element. The vendor should indicate the level of this capability (data element, row level, etc.).

Question: Anticipated volume of 3-5-year data load?

Answer: Unknown.

Question: Has data quality analysis been performed?

Answer: Make baseline assumption that data is clean.

Question: Re: Sections 3.2 – 3.3.2 Does the online help function require business definitions relative to data attributes or how to write reports?

Answer: Both.

Question: Will UMDNJ supply indicators for EMPI?

Answer: To the selected bidder, on an as needed basis.

Question: Re: Section 3.3.4 Explain standalone client.

Answer: In the context of this RFP, there are no client workstations that are not connected to the UMDNJ network.

Question: Please provide the volume, number of users, etc

Answer: Vendors may provide a pricing model in addition to the required fields in the Pricing Sheet in Section 8.0.

Question: What does UMDNJ want at the end of the day in terms of reports etc? In other words, do we want the reports generated as part of this?

Answer: UMDNJ assumes that the software offering includes canned and ad hoc reports as well as a dashboard and other capabilities detailed in the RFP.

Question: What is the measure of success?

Answer: UMDNJ cannot answer this since this is the first endeavor of such a product, but at the very least we would expect the capability of using and creating reports and a dashboard to present those reports to the appropriate staff based upon their need to know. These reports should allow the use of OLAP and other sophisticated analytical tools.

Question: Re: Section 3.6 Have there been subsequent refinements of requirements since the RFP was published?

Answer: No

Question: Re: Section 4.3 What is the purpose of the addendum referenced in Section 4.3 of the RFP? Is this the mechanism for approval of proposed clarifications to the RFP?

Answer: See Section 1.4.1, which states, "In the event that it becomes necessary to clarify or revise this RFP, such clarification or revision will be by addendum."

Question: Re: Section 4.14.1

Answer: Under RFP section 4.14.1, what circumstances would contract award rescission be a remedy exercised by the State? Is this different from contract termination?

Question: Re: Section 4.20.2 Does the uniform requirement in RFP Section 4.20.2 apply to consultants?

Answer: No

Question: Re: Section 4.22.3 If the Ownership Disclosure Form and Form 134 are on file with the State (submitted April 2005), and there are no changes, will UMDNJ accept copies of forms previously submitted?

Answer: No, bidders must submit newly signed forms with current date for this response.

Question: Re: Section 8.0 Is hardware pricing included in phase 1 costs?

Answer: No, the pricing sheet does not request hardware pricing. However, a vendor is required to supply hardware specifications (requirements as well as recommendations) and may include pricing of such if so desired.

Question: Should software costs include any third party licensing fees, etc?

Answer: Pricing should include all costs associated with the software offering required to implement the software offering per the contents of the bid. A vendor should submit a line item detail of the software pricing. In addition where third party software is used to satisfy some requirements in the RFP, the vendor must accept responsibility to trouble shoot any issues that arise with the use of said third party software.

Question: Re: Section 5.6.4.1 Is there a specific timeframe that UMDNJ has identified or is targeting

for the implementation of these services and products? Is there any local, state, or federal mandates that require these products to be in place by a specific date?

Answer: The implementation of the ERW is for "as soon as practical" and there are no known local, state, or federal mandates that require the ERW solution to be in place by a specific date.

Question: Can bidder issues be addressed and subsequent changes to the UMDNJ Business Associate Agreement be made by UMDNJ prior to the submission of a signed agreement by the bidder?

Answer: No.

BIDDERS MUST RETURN THE ENTIRE COMPLETED PROPOSAL RESPONSE INCLUDING ALL FORMS COMPLETED AND NO QUALIFYING STATEMENTS OR EXCEPTIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

Please contact Mark Michaelson at phone: (732) 235-9044 or e-mail: Mark.Michaelson@umdnj.edu if you have any questions regarding this addendum.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE ORIGINAL SPECIFICATIONS REMAINS UNCHANGED.

END OF ADDENDUM.