







### **RFP No. 4635**

# MSDH Integrated Disease Surveillance Platform

## **Agenda**

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QUESTION AND ANSWERS	Answers to vendor questions during this conference are not official unless and until submitted to ITS in writing.
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## **Project Overview**

- The Mississippi State Department of Health (MSDH) and ITS are issuing this RFP to secure a qualified Vendor, through competitive procedures, to provide a Public Health communicable disease focused, integrated software solution and implementation services for a comprehensive, statewide, patient-centric Integrated Disease Surveillance Platform (IDSP). The Vendor will conduct discovery, configure, implement, and maintain a Vendor-hosted web-based communicable disease reporting and surveillance system that provides MSDH with the required functionality to run and manage the Sexually Transmitted Diseases and Human Immunodeficiency Virus (STD/HIV), Tuberculosis (TB), and Epidemiology (EPI) programs by processing near real-time electronic laboratory results and electronic case records.
- The current siloed surveillance systems utilized by the multiple MSDH program/office areas do not allow for a patient-centric approach that supports all public health events for a patient to be viewed from one central location. Functionality that currently exists in the multiple surveillance systems used by the various programs, including manual processes, will be integrated into a single, modernized IDSP infrastructure to support MSDH.



## **Project Overview**

- A robust IDSP supporting Division of Epidemiology (EPI), Tuberculosis (TB), and Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STD/HIV) will eliminate patient deduplication, decrease missed opportunities due to inaccessible data, increase efficiencies in case investigations, case reporting, outbreak management, contact tracing and reduce effort and cost for on-going maintenance and support.
- The IDSP will be used to track disease reports received from hospitals, laboratories, physicians, and other health care providers. The system must be capable of receiving manual key-entered and electronically transmitted disease and laboratory reports, assigning case investigations, tracking workflow, generating management and surveillance reports, and exporting data.

## **Project Overview**

- An IDSP will help improve the agency's public health disease surveillance infrastructure to:
  - Increase MSDH disease surveillance efficiencies, data analytical capabilities, and the timeliness of data reporting
  - Provide customizable tools such as alerts, notifications, and easily configurable electronic disease data collection forms to quickly respond to emerging diseases,
  - Reduce MSDH manpower requirements by removing the need to support multiple, siloed systems
  - Provide a system that combines technology, standards, and disease surveillance to be used to affect public health regulations and policy, and
  - Shift from paper to electronic data exchanges



#### **Evaluation Overview**

Scoring is covered in Section VII Technical Specifications, Item 5 of the RFP.

- Each requirement is given a score between 0-10, with 9 points for meeting the requirement. Vendors should provide detail as to how their proposed solution meets or exceeds each specification.
- Vendors must respond with "Will Comply" or "Exception", on every requirement in listed in Attachment A beginning with Section 1, Item 22.
- Non-Cost = 65 points; Cost = 35 points.

#### **Evaluation Overview**

- Mandatory requirements Vendors must meet the requirement and provide a
  meaningful response. Vendors are specifically disallowed from taking
  exceptions to these Mandatory requirements, and proposals that do not meet a
  mandatory requirement are subject to immediate disqualification. Meeting a
  mandatory requirement means the Vendor meets the qualifications and
  experience required and/or requested functionality exists in the base solution.
- The State's intent in issuing this RFP is to award a contract to the lowest and best responsive Vendor who meets specifications, considering price and other factors. The Vendor's past performance, cooperation, and ability to provide service and training are general factors that will be weighed in the selection process.

## **Evaluation Criteria**

Category	Possible Points
Non- Cost Categories	
General: Vendor Qualifications, Staffing Requirements	15
Function Requirements; System Design; Implementation Requirements	30
Software Administration and Security; Support and Maintenance	20
Total Non- Cost Points	65
Cost Categories	
Lifecycle Costs	30
Change Order Rates	5
Total Cost Points	35
Maximum Possible Points	100



## **Section VIII, Cost Information Submission**

- Vendors must propose a summary of all applicable project costs in the matrix.
- The matrix must be supplemented by a cost itemization fully detailing the basis of each cost category.
- Any cost not listed, even if it was asked for in the RFP technical requirements but not included in the cost matrix, may result in the Vendor providing those products or services at no charge to the State or face disqualification.
- All Base Offering deliverables are described in RFP Number 4635.

## **RFP** Response

- Vendor must mail one USB flash drive of their complete proposal.
   Vendor's documents must be submitted in Microsoft Office 2010 or higher format and/or PDF format, as appropriate. If PDF format is submitted, the file must be searchable.
- Submission Cover Sheet (Section I)
- Proposal Exceptions (Section V)
- Response to RFP Questionnaire (Section VI)
- Point-by-Point Response (Attachment A)
- Cost Information Submission Form (Section VIII)
- References (Section IX)
- Preliminary Deliverable Documents



#### **Standard Contract**

#### Exhibit A – Standard Contract

- Vendors must review this document and take exception, if necessary. If Vendor takes no exception to Exhibit A, the state assumes that these terms are agreeable and cannot be negotiated after award.
- If additional terms and conditions beyond what is included are required, Vendor should submit them with their RFP response for consideration.

## **Upcoming Dates**

- Deadline for Vendor's Written Questions
   Wednesday, March 19, 2025, at 3:00 p.m. Central Time
- Responses to Vendor Questions
   Posted to the ITS Website by COB Friday, March 28, 2025
- Proposal Due Date
   Wednesday, April 16, 2025, at 3:00 p.m. Central Time
- Proposal Evaluations
   Begin Wednesday, April 16, 2025
- ITS Board Presentation Thursday, May 15, 2025
- Contract Negotiation
   Begins May 2025
- Estimated Contract Start Date
   Sunday, June 1, 2025



#### **Additional Information**

- Vendor communication with the State
  - See Section II Proposal Submission Requirements, Item 14
- Answers to questions asked during this Vendor Conference are not official until and unless submitted in writing.
- Vendors may continue to check the ITS website for updates related to this RFP No. 4635.
  - www.its.ms.gov



#### **Questions and Answers**

 Open to the floor - Answers to questions posed during the vendor conference are not official unless and until questions are submitted in writing.

#### Conclusion

Thank you for your participation!