



**ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE  
PURCHASING DIVISION  
CITY OF WORCESTER, MA  
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**Christopher J. Gagliastro, MCPPO  
Purchasing Agent**

**RFP NO. CR-7856-W3  
ISSUANCE DATE: 7/22/2022**

**BUYER: Christopher J. Gagliastro**

**AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY/AFFIRMATIVE ACTION EMPLOYER  
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS  
NOTICE TO PROPOSERS**

**RFP TITLE: Consultant – Local EDS Plan Development / DPH**

***REFER TO PAGE 7 FOR PROPOSAL SUBMISSION INFORMATION***

**General Conditions**

All proposals are subject to the terms, conditions and specifications herein set forth:

1. **Scope: Provide professional consulting services for local emergency dispensing site planning and development for the City of Worcester for a period from date of contract through June 30, 2023 as per the attached requirements and specifications of the City of Worcester Department of Public Health. This contract may be renewed for two additional one year periods, at the sole discretion of the City and at the current unit pricing.**
2. A certified check or bid bond made payable to the "City Treasurer, City of Worcester" in the amount of N/A must accompany this proposal. This must be submitted under separate sealed cover marked "Proposal Security." In the case of default, the surety shall be forfeited to the City as liquidated damages.
3. All terms and conditions are applicable to this proposal except the following section(s) which are hereby deleted from this RFP: 22, 23, 27, 30, 34
4. A performance bond in the amount of N/A will be required. If this proposal is accepted by the City and the Proposer shall fail to contract as set forth in these requirements and to give a bond in the aforementioned amount, within ten (10) days, (not including Sundays, Saturdays, or a legal Holiday) from the date of the mailing of a notice from the City to the Proposer, according to the address given herewith, that the contract is ready for signature, the City may by option determine that the proposer has abandoned the contract and thereupon the proposal and acceptance shall be null and void and the proposal security accompanying this proposal shall become the property of the City as liquidated damages.

**Any prospective proposer requesting a change in or interpretation of existing specifications or terms and conditions must do so within 5 days (Saturdays, Sundays, and Legal Holidays excluded) before scheduled proposal opening date. All requests are to be in writing to the Purchasing Division and are to be in duplicate. No changes will be considered or any interpretation issued unless request is in our hands within 5 days (Saturdays, Sundays, and Legal Holidays excluded) before scheduled proposal submission date.**

**Any inquiries related to technical or contractual matters must be submitted in writing to:**

**Christopher J. Gagliastro  
Purchasing Director  
City of Worcester, City Hall  
455 Main Street, Room 201  
Worcester, MA 01608  
[gagliastroc@worcesterma.gov](mailto:gagliastroc@worcesterma.gov)**

5. Nothing herein is intended to exclude any responsible Proposer or in any way restrain competition. All responsible Proposers are encouraged to submit proposals. The City encourages participation by Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprises (M/WBE).
6. The following meanings are attached to the defined words when used in this RFP.
  - a) The word "City" means The City of Worcester, Massachusetts.
  - b) The word "Proposer" means the person, firm or corporation submitting proposal on these specifications or any part thereof.
  - c) The word "Contractor" means the person, firm or corporation with whom the contract is made by carrying out the provisions of these specifications and the contract.
  - d) The words "Firm Price" shall mean a guarantee against price increase during the life of the contract.
7. All proposals and other documents relating to this RFP are subject to the public records provisions of M.G.L. c.30B, and shall remain confidential until the time specified in c.30B section 6 (d).
8. All material submitted by vendors becomes the property of the City. The City is under no obligations to return any of the material submitted by a vendor in response to this RFP.
9. Each vendor's proposal must remain in effect for at least 120 days from the deadline for its submission. The City will decide upon acceptance within 120 days of submission.
10. It is understood and agreed that it shall be a material breach of any contract resulting from this RFP for the Contractor to engage in any practice which shall violate any provision of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 151B, relative to discrimination in hiring, discharge,

compensation, or terms, conditions or privileges of employment because of race, color, religious creed, national origin, sex, age or ancestry.

11. The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all of the proposals submitted and waive informalities and technicalities.
12. The City will review and analyze each proposal, and reserve the right to interview selected proposers. The City shall select the proposer, which in the City's opinion, has made the proposal best suited to the needs and goals of the City and its operations and deemed to be in compliance with the terms of this RFP.
13. The Contractor will be required to indemnify and save harmless the City of Worcester for all damages to life and property that may occur due to his or her negligence or that of his or her employees, subcontractors, etc. during the contract derived from this RFP.
14. The Contract Agreement will be drafted by the City's Law Department in compliance with the terms of the RFP, and may incorporate the terms of this RFP and of the proposal selected.
15. The Proposer must certify that no official or employee of the City of Worcester, Massachusetts, is pecuniarily interested in this proposal or in the contract which the proposer offers to execute or in expected profits to arise therefrom, unless there has been compliance with the provisions of G.L.C. 43 section 27, and that this proposal is made in good faith without fraud or collusion or connection with any other person submitting a proposal.
16. Any proposal withdrawn after time and date specified, the proposer shall forfeit deposit on proposal as liquidated damages.
17. A vendor conference will be held as follows: N/A
18. The Contractor shall not assign, transfer, sublet, convey or otherwise dispose of any contract which results from this RFP, or its right, title or interest therein or its power to execute the same to any other person, firm, partnership, company or corporation without the previous consent in writing of the City. Should the Contractor attempt any of the above without the written consent of the City, the City reserves the right to declare the Contractor in default and terminate the contract for cause.
19. The Contractor shall obtain and maintain in force at all times during the term of the contract derived from this RFP, insurance coverage pertaining to Public Liability, Property Damage and Worker's Compensation in the following types and amounts:
  - A) PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE - Contractor to supply the City of Worcester with certificates of insurance covering public liability in an amount not less than \$1,000,000.00 to any one person, and not less than \$ 1,000,000.00 on account of one accident.

B) PROPERTY DAMAGE INSURANCE - Contractor to supply the City with certificates of insurance covering property damage in an amount not less than \$1,000,000.00 for damages on account of any one accident, and not less than \$ 2,000,000.00 on account of all accidents.

C) COMPENSATION INSURANCE - The Contractor shall furnish the City with certificates showing that all its employees shall be connected with the management operations are protected under worker's compensation insurance policies.

20. The Contractor shall carry Public Liability Insurance with an insurance company satisfactory to the City so as to save the City harmless from any and all claims for damages arising out of bodily injury to or death of any person or persons, and for all claims for damages arising out of injury to or destruction of property caused by accident resulting from the use of implements, equipment or labor used in the performance of the contract or from any neglect, default or omission, or want of proper care, or misconduct on the part of the Contractor or for anyone in his or her employ during the execution of the contract derived from this RFP.
21. Prior to starting on the contract derived from this RFP, the Contractor shall deposit with the Purchasing Division, certificate from the insurer to the effect that the insurance policies required in the above paragraph have been issued to the Contractor. The certificates must be on a form satisfactory to the City.
22. All prices quoted must include inside delivery, and set-up in place F.O.B. destination to pre-designated City of Worcester departments.
23. No special charges will be allowed for rigging, packing, crating, freight, express, or carriage unless specifically stated and included in the vendor's proposal.
24. The award to the successful proposer may be cancelled in the event of vendor nonperformance as may be determined by the City.
25. The successful proposer shall comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, ordinances, and regulations. The awarded contract shall be governed under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
26. Purchases made by the City are exempt from Federal and Massachusetts state taxes and proposal prices must exclude any such taxes. Tax exemption certificates will be furnished upon request.
27. When the contract is executed, a performance bond, in the full amount of the contract, is required. See paragraph 4. The bond will be of a surety company qualified to do business under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The cost of this bond is the vendor's responsibility. Bonds shall remain in force and effect thru the performance of the contract.
28. Expenditures by the City and authorization to spend for particular purposes are made on fiscal year basis. The City's fiscal year is the twelve month period ending June 30 of each

year. The obligations of the City under any agreement to be reached are subject to the appropriation or authorization of the necessary funds. The City agrees to make reasonable efforts to obtain funding and all necessary authorization.

29. No amendment to the contract shall be effective unless it is in writing and signed by authorized representatives of both parties and is accepted by the City of Worcester.
30. The vendor (and its insurers, if any) shall bear all risk of loss or damage to the equipment which occurs in transit to the user site. The risk of loss or damage to purchased equipment shall remain with the vendor until the purchase price has been paid and title has passed. The vendor shall also bear the risk of loss or damage to leased or rented equipment during the City of Worcester's possession and use thereof subject, however to such conditions and limitations as may be stated elsewhere in the contract.
31. The vendor shall not assign or in any way transfer any interest in the contract without the prior written consent of the City provided, however, that claims for money due or to become due to vendor from the City may be assigned to a bank, trust company, or other financial institution without such consent so long as notice of such assignment is furnished promptly to the City. Any such assignment shall be expressly made subject to all defenses, set-offs, or counter-claims which would have been available to the City against the vendor in the absence of such assignment.
32. None of the services to be provided by the vendor pursuant to the contract shall be subcontracted or delegated to any other organization, association, individual, corporation, partnership or other such entity without the prior written consent of the City. No subcontract or delegation shall relieve or discharge the vendor from any obligation or liability under the contract except as specifically set forth in the instrument of consent. Any subcontract to which the City has consented shall be attached to the original of the contract on file in the City of Worcester.
33. Neither party will be liable to the other or be deemed to be in breach of the contract for any failure or delay in rendering performance arising out of causes beyond its reasonable control and without its fault or negligence. Such causes may include but are not limited to, acts of God or the public enemy, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, freight, embargoes, and unusually severe weather. If the vendor's failure to perform is caused by the default of the subcontractor, and if such default arises out of causes beyond the reasonable control of both the vendor and the subcontractor, and without the fault or negligence of either of them, the vendor shall not be liable for any excess costs for failure to perform, unless the equipment or services to be furnished by the subcontractor were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time to permit the vendor to meet the required delivery schedule. Dates or times of performance will be extended to the extent of delays excused in this section, provided that the party whose performance is affected notifies the other promptly of the existence and nature of such delay.
34. The vendor shall provide to the City of Worcester a warranty and a commitment which clearly states that all equipment and services proposed and supplied by the Vendor, and/or its subcontractors, performs as expected and promised by the Vendor.

35. The vendor represents that no person other than bona fide employees working solely for the vendor, have been employed or retained to solicit or secure this agreement upon an arrangement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage fee, gift or any other consideration contingent upon the award or making of this contract. For breach or violation of the representation, the City shall have the right to annul the contract without liability, or in its discretion to deduct from the contract price or consideration, or otherwise recover the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage fee or other consideration.
36. Any contract made by the City in which the Purchasing Agent or any employee of his/her department, the heads of using agencies or any other officer or employee of the City having a part in the placing of such contract is financially interested, directly or indirectly, shall be void.
37. The vendor shall not discriminate against any qualified employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, national origin, ancestry, age, sex, religion or medical handicap. The vendor agrees to comply with all applicable Federal and State Statutes, rules and regulations prohibiting discrimination in employment including: Title VII of the Civil Rights Acts of 1964; The Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 151B, Section 4 (1) and all relevant administrative orders and executive orders.

If a complaint or claim alleging violation by the vendor of such statutes, rules or regulations is presented to the Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination (MCAD), the vendor agrees to cooperate with MCAD in the investigation and disposition of such complaint or claim.

In the event of vendor noncompliance with the provisions of this section, the City shall impose such sanctions as it deems appropriate, including but limited to:

- 1) Withholding of payments due vendor under the contract until vendor complies.
- 2) Termination or suspension of the contract.

## **SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS**

38. Proposals must be submitted in two (2) packages according to the instructions below. The City intends to consider responses in the evaluation requirements before considering costs. Therefore, no reference to pricing may be made in the proposal of evaluation considerations.

A sealed package containing **the original, 2 copies and 1 PDF copy on USB Drive** of the proposal **must** be labeled as follows:

**Purchasing Agent, City of Worcester**

**Consultant – Local EDS Plan Development / DPH – Technical Proposal**

**455 Main Street, Room 201  
Worcester, MA 01608**

**Re: RFP No. CR-7856-W3**

A sealed package containing **the original copy** of the proposal **must** be labeled as follows:

**Purchasing Agent, City of Worcester**

**Consultant – Local EDS Plan Development / DPH - Price Proposal**

**455 Main Street, Room 201  
Worcester, MA 01608**

**Re: RFP No. CR-7856-W3**

*Cost proposal pages are located at end of specifications*

**Proposals must be delivered no later than Wednesday, August 17, 2022 at 10:00 AM LOCAL TIME.** Late submissions will be rejected, regardless of circumstances. The City of Worcester is not responsible for submittals not properly marked.

The evaluation and cost proposals will remain confidential until a formal and finalized contract has been executed.

## **RFP EVALUATION**

39. The City of Worcester Purchasing Agent will assign an evaluation team, hereafter referred to as the Selection Committee, to perform a full and complete evaluation of RFP submittals. The Purchasing Agent will ultimately forward a formal recommendation of award to the City Manager who has final award authority.
40. RFP evaluation responses will be evaluated by the Selection Committee based directly upon vendor's response to mandatory and comparative evaluation criteria. Vendors must meet or exceed the mandatory criteria requirements or be rejected as non-responsive.

Comparative criteria will be evaluated by the use of four rating categories as set forth by M.G.L. Chapter 30B:

- 1) HIGHLY ADVANTAGEOUS - Vendor's submittal meets all the stated requirements and offers significant performance above the stated requirements.
- 2) ADVANTAGEOUS - Vendor's submittal meets the stated requirements without risk or disadvantage.
- 3) NOT ADVANTAGEOUS - Vendor's submittal contains some risk or disadvantage but is not unacceptable.
- 4) UNACCEPTABLE - Vendor's submittal fails to meet the standards of the stated requirements.

After proposals have been assigned ratings on the basis of each evaluation criterion, a composite rating will be established by the Selection Committee. Submittals will then be ranked based upon finalized composite rating.

41. The Purchasing Agent will identify the most advantageous proposal based upon the rankings of the Selection Committee and an evaluation of the cost proposals received. The Purchasing Agent will forward a recommendation for award to the City Manager based upon the most advantageous proposal received considering evaluation rankings and cost proposals received.



GIVE FULL NAMES AND RESIDENCES OF ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE FOREGOING PROPOSAL.

(NOTICE: Give first and last name in full; in case of corporations, give corporate name and names of President, Treasurer, and Manager; and in case of firms give names of the individual members)

Name	Address	Zip Code
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KINDLY FURNISH THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REGARDING BIDDER:

(1) If a Proprietorship

Name of Owner \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_

(2) If a Partnership, Full names and addresses of all partners

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Zip Code</u>
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Business Address _____ Zip Code _____
Tel. No. _____

(3) If a Corporation

Full Legal Name: \_\_\_\_\_

State of Incorporation: \_\_\_\_\_ Qualified in Massachusetts? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Principal Place of Business \_\_\_\_\_  
Street P.O. Box

City/Town State Zip

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Business in Massachusetts \_\_\_\_\_  
Street P.O. Box

City/Town State Zip

Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_

GIVE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REGARDING SURETY COMPANY

Full Legal Name of Surety Company \_\_\_\_\_

State of Incorporation \_\_\_\_\_ Admitted in Massachusetts ? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Principal Place of Business \_\_\_\_\_  
Street P.O. Box

City/Town State Zip

Place of Business in Massachusetts \_\_\_\_\_  
Street P.O. Box

City/Town State Zip

Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE:

The Office of the Attorney General, Washington, D.C. requires the following information on all bid proposals amounting to \$1,000.00 or more.

E.I. Number of bidder \_\_\_\_\_

This number is regularly used by companies when filing their "EMPLOYER'S FEDERAL TAX RETURN, U.S." Treasury Department Form 941.

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE OF BIDDER \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

**UNDER MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 30B: SECTION 10, THE FOLLOWING CERTIFICATION MUST BE PROVIDED:**

**Section 10. A person submitting a bid or a proposal for the procurement or disposal of supplies, or services to any governmental body shall certify in writing, on the bid or proposal, as follows:**

**"The undersigned certifies under penalties of perjury that this bid or proposal has been made and submitted in good faith and without collusion or fraud with any other person. As used in this certification, the word "person" shall mean any natural person, business, partnership, corporation, union, committee, club, or other organization, entity, or group of individuals."**

(Please Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Person Signing Bid

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Person Signing Bid

\_\_\_\_\_  
Company

**No award will be made without vendor certification of the above.**

**SCOPE OF SERVICES/DELIVERABLES – CONSULTANT  
LOCAL EMERGENCY DISPENSING SITES PLAN DEVELOPMENT  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH**

The Worcester Division of Public Health (WDPH) is looking to secure a contractor to assist the Region 2 Health and Medical Coordinating Coalition (HMCC) and the seventy-four communities within Region 2 to meet grant deliverables and ensure cohesion. The City expects the successful contractor to work closely with Region 2 HMCC Program Staff, OPEM Regional Coordinator, and representatives from the Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) coalition.

**Funded by:** MDPH PHEP grant through WDPH as Sponsoring Organization, dependent on funding availability

**Terms:** Contract ends June 30, 2023. This contract may be renewed for two additional one-year periods at the same unit pricing, and at the sole discretion of the City.

**Scope of Services:**

The contractor shall review state EDS guidelines and accompanying essential checklist and conduct an assessment of all plans to ensure that they include all required and recommended information, specific to each community. It shall be the responsibility of the contractor to obtain needed information from each community and update the plans accordingly. At minimum, the contractor shall ensure all contact information, EDS locations, google map images of EDS sites are community specific within each plan.

The contractor will make several and document all attempts to reach each community – at least 2 emails, 1 phone call, and 1 call to an alternate contact of the community by December 31, 2022. The contractor shall meet with each community at least twice, virtual or in-person; at the discretion of the community.

The contractor shall review the PHEP COVID-19 Regional AAR/IP for identified changes that should be incorporated into community EDS plans and determine with each individual community what changes and updates should be included in their EDS plans specific to the pandemic response.

The contractor shall develop a “quick-start” document detailing the essential information that a community would need to set-up an EDS without any prior knowledge or experience. This document should be no more than 5 pages long, and shall be developed in conjunction with WDPH staff.

The contractor shall ensure that all EDS plans and associated documents are in alignment with the region’s Health and Medical Coordinating Coalition’s (HMCC) plans and policies. The contractor shall work with the HMCC staff and OPEM Regional Coordinator to ensure that this is achieved; this will be done through monthly meetings, virtual or in-person.

The contractor shall ensure that all plans include an Emerging Infectious Disease (EID) and Critical infrastructure Staffing (CIS) document as an annex to their existing EDS plan. The contractor will review and update these plans as needed.

The contractor shall anticipate that there may be other EDS associated annexes that the Massachusetts Department of Public Health requires and they the contractor will be expected to develop, review, and/or update. While currently undefined, for the purpose of this bid the contractor shall anticipate one or two additional annexes of approximately ten pages each.

The contractor shall work with communities and the Region 2 Regional EDS planner to identify communities who wish to participate in a regional EDS plan.

Additionally, it is expected that the contractor will work in coordination with all other Region 2 contractors as well as WDPH staff and the OPEM Regional Coordinator.

#### **Deliverables:**

The contractor shall provide, at minimum, the following project deliverables, including the items listed in the Scope of Service:

- Completed the EDS plans for all seventy-four communities within Region 2.
- Submit completed EDS plans to HMCC Sponsoring Org Staff and all seventy-four communities in electronic format, using a platform mutually agreed upon by the municipality and planner i.e. Google docs, Dropbox, email, etc.
- Complete and update the EID and CIS annexes for all seventy-four communities within Region 2.
- Development of a “quick-start” EDS document for all seventy-four communities within Region 2. This shall be submitted to WDPH staff no later than December 31, 2022.
- Provide a monthly report to WDPH staff detailing communities contacted that month, the method of contact, and outcome. The template for monthly reporting will be provided by WDPH staff.

#### **Additional considerations:**

- As this will be funded through a grant, contractor must be approved by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health prior to contract execution.
- As per MDPH requirements, no subcontractor may charge more than 40 hours a week of their time to a contract(s) or between multiple MDPH OPEM vendors, such as Sponsoring Organizations. For the purpose of this RFP, and to accommodate MDPH requirements, it is estimated that the contractor will need 30 hours a week.
- As per MDPH requirements, an evaluation process may be conducted for all subcontractors to ensure the contracted work is being accomplished. This process will include both a mid-point progress report and an end of contract final evaluation. This process may include feedback from the HMCC Sponsoring Organization staff and/or coalition members.
- The City shall retain ownership of all documents and materials created under this project.

- The selected contractor will work with the HMCC program staff and/or OPEM Regional Coordinator to receive guidance as it pertains to state and federal grant deliverables. The contractor must also be advised that some deliverables listed within this request may be subject to change based upon MA Department of Public Health, Office of Preparedness and Emergency Management (MDPH/OPEM) and Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) grant guidelines.
- At least once per quarter, the contractor will be expected to attend a monthly PHEP Coalition meeting to report out on their progress; meetings are typically held at locations throughout the region, but may be virtual given the current climate.
- The contractor will be expected to attend monthly Region 2 contractor meetings, which are typically held at WDPH, but may be virtual given the current climate.
- The contractor will submit a monthly narrative detailing work completed. The narrative will be in a format developed by HMCC program staff and provided at the start of the contract.
- The contractor must provide their own transportation to and from meetings and trainings.
- The contractor must provide their own technology.
- Contractor's resume and training certificates shall accompany proposal submittal.
- The contractor must work closely with the other PHEP Planners and Coordinators to ensure cohesion with all other initiatives.

- **Insurance Requirements:**

- The Consultant shall obtain and maintain in force at all times during the term of this Agreement, occurrence basis insurance coverage pertaining to General Liability and Property Damage in at least the following amounts:
  - i. Automobile Coverage
    - \$250,000 per occurrence / \$500,000 aggregate for bodily injury
    - \$200,000 for property damage
- Additionally, Consultant shall (1) be owner or authorized operator of vehicle; (2) be a licensed driver in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; (3) have a safe driver credit score of 98 or better.
  - ii. Coverage for Workers Compensation shall be obtained and maintained in amounts no less than the Massachusetts statutory requirements.
- The Consultant shall require its insurance company(ies) to notify the Certificate Holder of any reduction or cancellation of the insurance at least thirty (30) days prior to the effective date of such reduction or cancellation. The City shall be named as an additional insured on coverage required by sub-paragraph i & ii, above, and the Director, Division of Public Health, 25 Meade Street, Worcester, Massachusetts, 01610 shall be identified as a Certificate Holder. The Consultant shall furnish certificates of insurance of the types and amounts required above, in a form satisfactory to the City, prior to the City's execution of this Agreement.

### **Minimum Evaluation Criteria:**

Contractors must provide the following information with their proposal submission, which will be used as part of the selection criteria:

1. A narrative describing your firm, including years in business and experience with multi-agency coordination.
2. An initial project plan, or detailed narrative, describing how the contractor will meet the requirements of the Scope of Services and Deliverables.
3. At least one professional reference.
4. Certificates showing successful completion of ICS 100, 200, and NIMS 700.
5. Résumé, as required by MDPH
6. Bachelor Degree, as required by MDPH

### **Comparative Criteria:**

**Comparative Evaluation Criteria:** Each proposal meeting the minimum evaluation criteria shall be further evaluated and rated according to the comparative evaluation criteria in order to determine the relative merits of each proposal. The review will cover the objectives listed below. Within each category, the degree to which the proposal satisfies the stated objective shall be reviewed and rated on a system of “highly advantageous”, “advantageous”, and “not advantageous”.

**Report Writing Experience:** WDPH is looking for a contractor who is able to draft and produce complex plans, to take detailed notes, and effectively communicate between agencies. Prospective contractors shall submit an original report detailing the benefits of public health regionalization and outline suggestions for regional planning and developing/maintaining regional EDS plans with each region.

**Highly Advantageous:** The proposal includes a clear, concise 1-2 page original report on the topic of the benefits of public health regionalization and outline suggestions for regional planning and regional EDS plans. The report is structured, grammatically correct, and factual.

**Advantageous:** The proposal includes a 1-2 page original report on the benefits of public health regionalization and outline suggestions for regional planning and regional EDS plans, but the report is disjointed, contains multiple grammatical errors, or contains some nonfactual information.

**Not Advantageous:** The proposal does not include an original report.

**Public Sector Experience:** WDPH is looking for a contractor who has experience taking the lead on projects that required collaboration between multiple municipal departments, including Public Health and/or Emergency Management, in order to ensure an understanding of processes and constraints related to local government that they may encounter.

**Highly Advantageous:** The proposal details five (5) or more instances when the contractor facilitated initiatives that encompassed multiple municipal departments, including Public Health and/or Emergency Management.

Advantageous: The proposal details two to four (2 -4) instances when the contractor facilitated initiatives that encompassed multiple municipal departments, including Public Health and/or Emergency Management.

Not Advantageous: The proposal details one (1) or less instances when the contractor facilitated initiatives that encompassed multiple municipal departments, including Public Health and/or Emergency Management.

**Meeting Facilitation Experience:** WDPH is looking for a contractor who has experience taking the lead on meeting facilitation and coordination that requires establishing and/or supporting relationships between attendees in order to ensure meeting schedules are established, locations are secured, agendas are produced, followed, and executed.

Highly Advantageous: The proposal details five (5) or more instances when the contractor facilitated meetings or events where scheduling, planning, creating an agenda/meeting minutes, and meeting facilitation was successfully conducted.

Advantageous: The proposal details two to four (2-4) instances when the contractor facilitated meetings or events where scheduling, planning, creating an agenda/meeting minutes, and meeting facilitation was successfully conducted.

Not advantageous: The proposal details one (1) or less instances when the contractor facilitated meetings or events where scheduling, planning, creating an agenda/meeting minutes, and meeting facilitation was successfully conducted.

#### **References:**

Highly Advantageous: The proposal includes more than five (5) professional references.

Advantageous: The proposal includes two (2) – five (5) professional references

Not Advantageous: The proposal includes the minimum of 1 professional reference



**COST / PRICE PROPOSAL - RFP #:** \_\_\_\_\_

Consulting fee must be submitted as a flat, hourly fee for any and all consultant / coordinator services required under the contract. The City estimates that 1,560 hours of service are needed annually

**Hourly consulting fee**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ per hour \* x 1,560 hours \*\* = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Annual Price**

**(To be completed by proposer)**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of person submitting proposal

Date:

Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Company \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

*\*Hourly rate shall be maintained for the entire contract term, including the subsequent annual renewal option years.*

*\*\* Estimated annual hours are for bidding purposes only and per MDPH guideline.. Hours may be adjusted based on budget availability and departmental needs.*