



JUSTIFICATION AND APPROVAL FOR ALLOWING AWARD OF CONTRACT WITHOUT COMPETITION

(Section A must be completed by the User Department and then submitted to the Department of Purchasing & Contract Compliance)

SECTION A

Department: *Health and Wellness (Vendor: Ernst & Young, LLP)*

Department Contact: *Linda Jefferson, Director of Administrative Services, 404-612-8738*

Description of Supplies/Services: *Ernst & Young (“EY”) will serve as the sole provider of the Phase 3 – Leading Practice Implementation of Billing Process Leading Practice Improvements for the Fulton County Department of Health and Wellness (“District”).*

This is the third phase of the billing process improvement engagement between EY and the Georgia Department of Public Health (“Agency”). During the first two phases of the engagement, EY assessed five Agency Health Districts and identified opportunities for improvement resulting from comparison of current state practices to leading billing practices within the healthcare sector. The first two phases included the billing assessment of the Coastal Health District and the leading practices identification at the four additional Health Districts: Athens, Albany, DeKalb, and La Grange.

Demonstration of Contractor’s Unique Qualifications:

During Phase 3, Ernst & Young will provide an assessment of the High Impact HIV Prevention Program (HIPP) billing process and practices through their Phase 3 –“Leading Practice Implementation for Georgia Department Health Districts”. Ernest and Young was contracted by the State of Georgia to design a program to assess Health District billing practices, policies and procedures, with advisement on implementation of a improved billing process plan for the Health Districts.

Ernst and Young has conducted Phase 1 and Phase 2 with the Coastal Health District; Athens; Albany; DeKalb; and LaGrange. Ernest and Young is the only organization who designed the program specifically for Georgia Health Districts who have similar challenges and similar technology demands. Ernest and Young is the only organization that can offer the Phase 3 - Leading Practice Implementation program therefore, the Department is requesting the approval of a contract without competition.

Ernst & Young LLP has offices located at Suite 1000, 55 Ivan Allen Jr. Boulevard, Atlanta, GA 30308.

(Section B must be completed by the Department of Purchasing & Contract Compliance)

SECTION B

MARKET SURVEY

Results of Market Survey

Date Public Notice posted on website: 11/04/14

Date Public Notice closed: 11/12/14

REVIEW OF OFFER(S)

Were any offers received (Y/N):

Number of offers received:

Respondents:

Date Offers submitted to User Department for review:

User Department review and recommendation:

Purchasing Agent review and recommendation:

CERTIFICATION

Having conducted a good faith review of source availability regarding the materials, goods and or services stipulated herein, subsequent to consultation with the County Manager and the recommendation of the User Department, it has been determined that there is only one source available for the required work, labor or service to be done or the supplies, materials, or equipment to be furnished. Per the Fulton County Code of Ordinances §2-319, Conditions allowing for award of contract without competition.

I, Felicia Strong-Whitaker, Purchasing Agent, certify that the facts and representations under my cognizance which are included in this justification and its supporting documentation which form the basis for this justification are complete and accurate.

Felicia Strong-Whitaker
Interim Purchasing Director

Date

I, Patrick O'Connor, Interim County Manager, certify that the facts and representations under my cognizance which are included in this justification and its supporting documentation which form the basis for this justification are complete and accurate.

Patrick O'Connor
Interim County Manager

Date