# ADDENDUM #3 TO THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL DOCUMENTS FOR THE #2016-09 MEDICAL LABORATORY TESTING SERVICES

TO: ALL BID DOCUMENT HOLDERS

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This Addendum #3 issued prior to receipt of proposals will become part of the Contract documents, superseding the originals to the applicable extent indicated. Proposers shall be responsible for issuing information to those furnishing bids and quotes to them.

## **Questions and Clarifications:**

- Q1. Page 13, "These are the sheets that must be signed and returned with the proposal response"
- Q1.1) "Federal Contract Special Conditions" form is not included in RFP package.
  - A. Please ignore the request for the "Federal Contact Special Conditions" form.
- Q1.2) Neither 3.9.A (page 20) or 3.9.B (page 21) include signature lines. Please clarify if a signature is required on these two sheets/pages.
  - A. These pages do not require signatures, just complete pricing data.

## Q2. Page 18 Section 3.5 Response Time and Operations

- Q2.1) By "emergency test requests" do you mean "STAT test request"?
  - A. Emergency Testing means the same as STAT.
- Q2.2) Is the expectation that emergency test requests include Chain of Custody or just for the primary care routine testing?

  A. No, just primary care.
- Q2.3) How does "emergency test request" differ from "immediate test" results and "critical" results?
  - A. Emergency Tests, means the tests are being ordered in an emergency situation, the results however could be benign. Critical results would be when a test is run and the results require immediate attention.
- Q2.4) Section 3.9, there are two Section 3.9's listed. One is found on page 19 of the RFP and one is found on page 22 of the RFP). With respect to the statement: "Costs related to emergency test requests must be identified in Section 3.9" Please confirm where we are to address any costs related to "emergency test requests".
  - A. 3.9 on page 22 should be 3.10

#### Q3. Page 19, Section 3.9 Cost Sheets:

- Q3.1) 3.8B Behavioral Health Care testing. Please clarify, should this be 3.9B?
  - A. Yes, should be 3.9B
- Q3.2) Please note there are TWO section 3.9's. Please see page 22 as well.
  - A. Page 22 should be 3.10

## Q4. Page 20, Section 3.9.A Primary Care Price Sheets

- Q4.1) It is unclear what is meant by "The laboratory must include single test pricing <u>along with panel pricing on the following tests"</u>. Does not appear that any panels are listed on this sheet, just individual tests. Please clarify.
  - A. Refer to 35 section 5.6 "Typical Tests for Clackamas County" list your pricing for each of these tests, and give us your sliding fee schedule for these tests.

#### Q5. Page 21, Section 3.9.B Behavioral Health Price Sheet

- Q5.1) It is unclear what is meant by "The laboratory must include single test pricing along with panel pricing on the following tests". If it's a panel, are we to insert panel price? If it's an individual test, then only the individual test price? Please clarify.
  - A. We are looking for pricing for each individual test as well as the cost of testing for the panel.
- Q5.2) What figure do you expect to be entered in the "Extended Price" column as there are no quantities shown?
  - A. Error use this column for the panel pricing.
- Q5.3) Under "Individual Test" you've listed "Soma/Flexerill". These are two separate tests. Are you looking to order these as a panel, or do you want the individual fee for each listed?
  - A. Please provide pricing for both drugs individually and pricing if they were tested as a panel.

Q5.4) 5 <sup>th</sup> box under "Panels" states: "Except for the SU0026 panel which includes ETG, you will check this if you want the screening to include alcohol in addition to one of the other three panels". What does this mean? What are you asking us to price?  A. Sometimes we test for just ETG and other times we include in the panel. So we want pricing for both.
<ul> <li>Q5.5) You have listed 4 panels on this price sheet, however, on page 42 of the RFP there is a utilization table that lists at least 7 frequently ordered drug testing panels. Does the 3.9.B price sheet accurately reflect the tests your Behavioral Health facility providers are looking for?         <ul> <li>A. Use the table on page 43 and 44 for Behavioral Health Test. We would like pricing for testing individual drug and the pricing for testing them in a panel.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Q5.6) 2 <sup>nd</sup> box under "Panels" lists "Alcohol" as a required component. Please clarify whether the Behavioral Health facility providers are looking for "Alcohol" or "ETG". Please note these are two completely different tests. In reviewing utilization tables, it appears you preferred ETG in the panels. Just need clarification.  A. We prefer ETG
<ul> <li>Q6. Page 22, Section 3.9 Additions and Exceptions</li> <li>Q6.1) This appears to be a duplicate Section. Please clarify, should this be Section 3.10?</li> <li>A. Yes, this should be 3.10</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Q7. Page 30. Section 5.1</li> <li>Q7.1) 1st bullet point under "The major services components includes" it states: "Provide laboratory testing services to include testing for prescription drugs, over the counter drugs, and street drugs (i.e.SPICE)" Please clarify specifically what drug components you are looking for.         <ul> <li>A. Refer to the table on page 43 and 44. These are the tests we currently request based on current trends. As you know this area is constantly changing. Feel free to include any other "street drug" or other testing that you think would be appropriate.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Q7.2) 5 <sup>th</sup> bullet point under "The major services components includes" it states: "Provide immediate test results to the County and providers in the event of critical results any time during off hours". Is it safe to assume this is applying to life-threatening clinical results?  A. Yes
<ul> <li>Q8. Page 46, Section 6 Performance Requirements</li> <li>Q8.1) 9th bullet point states: "Complete Specimen Validity Testing, including but not limited to: pH, Creatinine, specific gravity, and oxidants; are to be performed on every sample". Please clarify the specimen validity issue for drug screening. This statement is confusing. Under Section 3.9.B (page 21) you have not listed any of the drug panels with specimen validity. We are not sure what you want.</li> <li>A. Specimen validity testing helps ensure the integrity of the test by measuring pH, creatinine and specific gravity (when indicated) and testing for adulterants that may be added to the urine specimen.</li> </ul>

All Proposers shall acknowledge receipt and acceptance of this Addendum #3 by signing in the space provided and submitting the signed Addendum with the response. Submittals without this Addendum may be considered informal.