

PRISON HEALTH CARE SERVICES

May 6, 2010



To: All Nursing Services Proposers

The following are responses to questions submitted in reference to the Lottery (Tie-Breaker) scheduled for May 12, 2010.

	Questions	Answers
1.	What is the purpose of the Lottery? What is a Lottery Tie-Breaker?	As provided in Section VI. Submittal Requirements, D. Multiple Agreements section in Addendum #11, "in the event there are multiple bidders with the same rate, , except as provided in Government Code 14838(f), the CDCR/CPHCS [California Department of Corrections/California Prison Health Care Services] reserves the right to determine the hierarchy ranking based upon a lot drawing." The term "lottery" is used synonymously with "lot drawing."
2.	Who can attend the Lot Drawing (lottery)?	The lot drawing will be officially witnessed and all affected bidders will be advised of the tiebreaker and invited to attend.
3.	Do I have to be present at the Lot Drawing in order to be considered for a contract?	No. A representative from the company does not need to be present at the Lot Drawing in order to be considered for a contract.
4.	If I am invited to the Lot Drawing does that mean that I can reasonably assume that I will be awarded a contract?	No. The Lot Drawing is part of Phase II Cost Evaluations in order to determine the ranking in the hierarchy matrix. The Receiver reserves the right to make the final decision as to who is awarded a contract for Nursing Services (see Section VI. Submittal Requirements, K. Reservation of Rights, in Addendum #11.).
5.	Will the Lottery be available via telephone conference?	Yes. Phone instructions will be provided at the time of the notification of an invite to attend the Lottery.
6.	How will a company know if they have been chosen to participate in the Lottery Tie-Breaker?	All affected bidders will be notified via e-mail as to whether they are tied in the cost proposal with another Proposer.
7.	What is the process for the Lottery Tie-Breaker?	Names of Proposers who are tied with the same rate (after small business preference applications) for a respective nursing licensing type will be placed in a container and drawn in order to determine its ranking on the matrix.
8.	Do registries need to make a presentation?	No. The purpose of the Lottery Tie-Breaker is to provide an objective mechanism to determine the ranking order on the nursing services matrix for each licensing type.

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9.	Where will the Lottery be held? What is the date and time of the event?	The Lot Drawing (Lottery) will be held at 3701 N. Freeway Blvd., Sacramento, CA 95834 in the Smith River Conference Room on May 12 beginning at 9:00 a.m.
10.	Can other Proposers not tied with others attend the Lottery Tie-Breaker (in person or via telephone)?	All Proposers are welcomed to attend the lottery tie-breaker event. Due to limited space capacities, we ask that only one representative from each firm at the event in person. In addition, all participants are welcomed to attend via conference call.
11.	Is it possible to be involved in several tie-breakers?	Yes. Lot drawings will be conducted for each ranking group per each respective nursing licensing type, if required.
12.	How will all of the Proposers be informed of the results from the lottery? Will the lottery be documented?	Because the Receiver makes the final decision, based on the recommendations of the evaluation committee (see RFP, Addendum 11, § IV), the final list of rankings in hierarchy order will not be available on the bid matrix for each nursing service listed in the Request for Proposal #09-341 (Registered Nurse, Licensed Vocational Nurse and Certified Nursing Assistant), until the Receiver has made that decision. However, each name will be verbally announced during the lottery, as each name is drawn.
13.	What are the instructions if you want to attend the Lottery via teleconference?	All participants attending the teleconference should dial (877) 322-9648. The participant code is: 116621.
14.	Will the list of Proposers awarded the Nursing Services contract be announced at the Lottery?	No. The Notification of Intent to Award is scheduled for May 20, 2010. Please see Addendum #12 posted at: www.cphcs.ca.gov .
15.	Who should I contact if I have any additional questions?	You can contact Stacey Glass-Smith, Contract Project Manager at (916) 648-8160 or via e-mail at Stacey.Glass-Smith@cdcr.ca.gov or Stacie Kincaid at (916) 648-8108 or via e-mail at Stacie.Kincaid@cdcr.ca.gov if you have any additional questions about the Lottery.

Thank you.