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AHCA Releases Invitation to Negotiate for SMMC Re-Procurement

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. – Today, the Agency for Health Care Administration (Agency) released the Invitation to Negotiate (ITN) for the re-procurement of the Statewide Medicaid Managed Care (SMMC) program. The ITN can be accessed through the Florida Department of Management Services' Vendor Bid System at:

http://www.myflorida.com/apps/vbs/vbs_main_menu

As stated in s.287.057(23), F.S., "Respondents to this solicitation or persons acting on their behalf may not contact, between the release of the solicitation and the end of the 72-hour period following the agency posting the notice of intended award, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and state holidays, any employee or officer of the executive or legislative branch concerning any aspect of this solicitation, except in writing to the procurement officer or as provided in the solicitation documents. Violation of this provision may be grounds for rejecting a response."

As a result, per s. 287.057(23) F.S., with the release of the ITN the Agency has entered into the statutory blackout period. The Agency will not have any discussions relating to the scope, evaluation or negotiation of those procurements.

To assist prospective plans in the development of their responses to the Statewide Medicaid Managed Care program Invitation to Negotiate (ITN), the Agency published a data book on March 30, 2017. The Agency held a public meeting on April 12, 2017 to present the data book and collect stakeholder questions. An updated data book and answers to questions received from stakeholders are included as exhibits to the ITN.

All health plans and potential bidders must direct their questions related to the SMMC procurement to the Agency's Procurement Officer:

Jennifer Barrett

Email: Jennifer.Barrett@ahca.myflorida.com

Additional information about the SMMC re-procurement can be accessed through the following link:

http://ahca.myflorida.com/medicaid/statewide_mc/SMMC_Re-Procure.shtml

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