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MISSISSIPPI DIVISION OF MEDICAID

From: **Mississippi Division of Medicaid**
Office of Procurement

Date: **October 22, 2026**

Re: **RFP # 20260731**
External Quality Review Organization (EQRO) Services
RFx # 3160008164
Public Notice of Intent to Award

The Mississippi Division of Medicaid (DOM) hereby provides public notice of its intent to award a contract for External Quality Review Organization (EQRO) Services pursuant to RFP #20260731.

The purpose of the procurement is to obtain services necessary to conduct External Quality Review (EQR) activities supporting the Mississippi Coordinated Access Network (MississippiCAN) and the Mississippi Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). The selected contractor will analyze and evaluate aggregated data concerning the quality, timeliness, and accessibility of services covered under Medicaid and CHIP and delivered through Managed Care Organizations (MCOs), in accordance with applicable federal and state requirements.

Proposals Received and Evaluation

The deadline for proposal submissions was September 18, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. Central Time. DOM received proposals from the following offerors:

1. Qsource
2. Constellation Health

DOM Procurement staff reviewed the proposals for compliance with the solicitation's applicable responsiveness, responsibility, and minimum qualification requirements. Both offerors were determined to meet the applicable requirements and proceeded through the evaluation process. Following evaluation and consensus scoring in accordance with the criteria established in the RFP, Qsource received the highest overall score and was ranked first.

Intended Awardee

DOM intends to award the contract for EQRO Services to **Qsource**, subject to completion of applicable procurement requirements and approvals.

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The intended award is based on the evaluation results and Qsource's highest overall score under the evaluation methodology established in the solicitation.

Anticipated Contract Term

The initial contract term will be three (3) years, commencing on December 3, 2026, and concluding on December 2, 2029, with an option to renew for an additional two (2) years.

Request for Reconsideration

Any offeror who responded to this RFP has an opportunity to submit a request for reconsideration of this decision. The request must be submitted to the DOM's Office of Procurement and the DFA's Director of the Office of Personal Service Contract Review within three (3) business days of the posting of the Notice of Intent to Award and the Agency Procurement File. The request for reconsideration must be in writing and contain the requesting vendor's name, a single contact person, all contact information for the contact person, the RFx number of the solicitation, the date the RFP was issued, the date the Notice of Intent to Award was issued, and an explanation of the specific basis for the request, including the identification of which of these rules and regulations and/or the terms of the RFP the requesting vendor believes were violated by the Agency during the evaluation process, explain the factual basis for the alleged violation(s), and specify how the alleged violation(s) affected the outcome of the procurement. If you believe the Agency Procurement File posted on the Agency website is incomplete (i.e., does not contain a document or documents required by these rules and regulations), then state this in the request and specify what is believed to be missing. Should you believe the trade secrets and/or confidential commercial or financial information which were redacted from the Agency Procurement File posted on the Agency website contain issues related to your request, state those concerns in the request – even if speculative – in a manner which is specific enough for DOM to provide a response. Please refer to PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations Section 6.9.3 for additional information regarding Request for Reconsideration of the Intent to Award.

Agency Procurement File

The Agency Procurement File is available on the DOM's temporary website at: https://medicaid.ms.gov/.

The successful vendor(s) are instructed not to begin work or enter into subcontracts relating to these services until execution of the contract.

We appreciate your interest in doing business with the State of Mississippi.