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ADDENDUM #3 RFB/RFP #23-0014 FIRE RECORDS MANAGEMENT (RMS) & ELECTRONIC PATIENT CARE REPORTING (EPCR)

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The following is to ensure that vendors have complete information prior to submitting a proposal. Here are some clarifications regarding the proposal for Fire Records Management (RMS) & Electronic Patient Care Reporting (ePCR) for Sedgwick County Fire District 1 (SCFD).

Questions and/or statements of clarification are in **bold** font, and answers to specific questions are *italicized*.

STATEMENT: THE BID SUBMISSION DATE HAS BEEN EXTENDED TO APRIL 4, 2023

1. What is Sedgwick County's current number of frontline vehicles, excluding staff vehicles and reserves?

There are 26 front line apparatus for SCFD.

2. Would the County want to see separate quotes for both onsite and offsite training or is there a preference for a particular option?

Onsite.

3. Are you an ALS or BLS agency?

BLS.

4. Is there a preference for onsite versus virtual demonstrations for finalists?

In person /onsite.

5. Clarification that this RFP is initially for SCEMS and it's possible at some point in the near future WFD may adopt the system but it is not guaranteed. Is this a correct statement?

Originally it was an effort between SCEMS and Sedgwick County Fire (SCFD) with WFD as an add on option. It is now only a Sedgwick County Fire project and WFD is still an add on option.

6. Page 4 notes that SCFD 1 and WFD support a unified solution but it is not clear if they are all agencies in the County adopting the new system to be implemented?

SCFD and possibly WFD are the only agencies considering adopting a single solution.

7. When is the final award expected to be announced?

Once all submittals are received they will be reviewed and scored. We may need to have demonstrations as well. This project will take several months to complete, and hopefully selection will be made by summer 2023.

8. What is the timeframe for deploying a new Fire Records/ePCR system?

As soon as possible and before the end of 2023 for Fire RMS. The ePCR is not the priority as both SCFD and WFD are non-transport and currently are not required to comply with NEMSIS.

9. Would the County consider deploying the ePCR system first?

No. The Fire RMS side is more important.

10. If all agencies adopt the ePCR platform, what is the total expected volume of records to be written on the system in 2023 and were written in 2022?

About 80% of SCFD call volume is medical and closer to 90% for WFD. There is a potential for approximately 52,000 ePCR eligible calls between SCFD and WFD.

11. For the ePCR, if all agencies operate under the same medical direction, will there be a single set of rules that will be utilized in all agencies?

Yes.

12. Will the county require the ePCR vendor to allow each adopting agency to create and manage its own rule set and customization?

Yes.

13. A.10 Is the integrated messaging system requirement for the ePCR platform?

Yes. This is a requirement.

14. 2. D.10. Are all of the biomedical devices noted equipped with modems or wireless capabilities?

No, we do not have modems or wireless capabilities in our AED's. Our Life Pack 15's have blue tooth capabilities.

15. Excluding ECG monitors, how does the county currently transmit or intend to transmit AED, Automated Chest Compression data, or other non-ECG device data?

Our AED's must be plugged into an external device such as a lap top or desk top. The Life Pack 15 is blue tooth and when we receive our new LP15's they will have modems which put data into a cloud.

16. Can the county provide more technical details on how data would transfer from these non-ECG biomedical devices?

Yes, but it would need to come from DIO or possibly SCEMS.

17. 2.D.11. Is this desired feature asking to edit/enter ePCR data from two (2) different mobile devices at the same time? What is the use case for this request?

This is a desirable but not required. If both WFD and SCFD are on scene and working an incident, both will have data to input into the same call.

18. .A.2. The most recent information available on the NEMSIS.org website notes that the State of Kansas intends to begin transitioning agencies to NEMSIS 3.5 in Q4 of 2023 Is this timeline still on track for NEMSIS 3.5?

As far as I know yes, but this is only a desirable.

19. Is the expectation of the county for the ePCR system to submit NEMSIS 3.4 data and, when the state does finally transition to NEMSIS 3.5 to then begin sending 3.5 data?

Eventually yes, but again this is not our priority.

20. If the proposed ePCR system is NEMSIS 3.5 certified, will the county accept the vendor storing the data and then send all information from go-live to the state when they begin accepting 3.5 data?

"If the proposed ePCR system is NEMSIS 3.5 certified and if the vendor is able to meet the required IT requirements; the County will accept the vendor to store the NEMSIS data from GoLive and send the data to the State once the State begins accepting NEMSIS 3.5 data."

21. 3.B.1. Is this for fire records, ePCR or both?

Fire. We currently use Firehouse.

22. What are the county's current ePCR system(s)?

Sedgwick County Fire currently does not have an ePCR system.

23. Is it the same ePCR for all agencies in the county?

No.

24. Is the data structure of the current ePCR 3.4 or newer?

N/A

25. Can the existing system(s) export all of the data in 3.4/3.5 format and include an embedded .pdf for each record?

N/A

26. 3.D.1. Same question as #5 above. Can the county provide more technical details on how data would transfer from any non-ECG biomedical devices (AED, Chest Compression, etc)? Wireless, to the cloud, or some other method(s).

Yes, but that would need to come from DIO.

27. E.1 & 3.E.2. Is this requirement to attach large files on the mobile ePCR or just a requirement for the backend requirement?

Both.

28. 3.G.1. Can the county provide the specific ePCR data fields that must be transferred to First Watch/First Pass?

I do not know the answer to this question.

29. 6.A.2. This is related to a question about a single ePCR system with the same rules and protocols?

Yes.

30. 8.A.3. Specific to the ePCR deliverable, if the responding vendor has had a proven history of success with remote administrative training and implementation meetings, will this be an acceptable solution?

No. In person is required.

31. Is this requirement specific to the administrator(s) of the system?

Yes.

32. Will each agency have its own administrator for the ePCR system, or will there be a single administrator for the entire county?

Each department will have their own Administrator.

Firms interested in submitting a *proposal* must respond with complete information and **deliver on or before** 1:45 p.m. *CDT April 4, 2023*. Late *proposals* will not be accepted and will not receive consideration for final award.

"PLEASE ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF THIS ADDENDUM ON THE PROPOSAL RESPONSE PAGE."

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