

SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS DIVISION OF FINANCE DEPARTMENT *Purchasing Department* 100 N. Broadway, Suite 610 ~ Wichita, KS 67202 Phone: 316 660-7255 Fax: 316 660-1839 <u>https://www.sedgwickcounty.org/finance/purchasing/</u>requests-for-bid-and-proposal/

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL RFP #23-0036 PRE-EMPLOYMENT SCREENING & ON-CALL LABORATORY SERVICES

May 18, 2023

Sedgwick County, Kansas (hereinafter referred to as "county") is seeking a firm or firms to provide Pre-Employment Screening & On-Call Laboratory Services. If your firm is interested in submitting a response, please do so in accordance with the instructions contained within the attached Request for Proposal. Responses are due no later than 1:45 pm CDT, Tuesday, June 13, 2023.

<u>All contact concerning this solicitation shall be made through the Purchasing Department.</u> Proposers shall not contact county employees, department heads, using agencies, evaluation committee members or elected officials with questions or any other concerns about the solicitation. Questions, clarifications and concerns shall be submitted to the Purchasing Department in writing. Failure to comply with these guidelines may disqualify the Proposer's response.

Sincerely,

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Britt Rosencutter Purchasing Agent

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I. <u>About this Document</u>

This document is a Request for Proposal. It differs from a Request for Bid or Quotation in that the county is seeking a solution, as described on the cover page and in the following Background Information section, not a bid or quotation meeting firm specifications for the lowest price. As such, the lowest price proposed will not guarantee an award recommendation. As defined in Charter Resolution No. 68, Competitive Sealed Proposals will be evaluated based upon criteria formulated around the most important features of the product(s) and/or service(s), of which quality, testing, references, service, availability or capability, may be overriding factors, and price may not be determinative in the issuance of a contract or award. The proposal evaluation criteria should be viewed as standards that measure how well a vendor's approach meets the desired requirements and needs of the county. Criteria that will be used and considered in evaluation for award are set forth in this document. The county will thoroughly review all proposals received. The county will also utilize its best judgment when determining whether to schedule a pre-proposal conference, before proposals are accepted, or meetings with vendors, after receipt of all proposals. A Purchase Order/Contract will be awarded to a qualified vendor submitting the best proposal. **Sedgwick County reserves the right to select, and subsequently recommend for award, the proposed service(s) and/or product(s) which best meets its required needs, quality levels and budget constraints.**

The nature of this work is for a public entity and will require the expenditure of public funds and/or use of public facilities, therefore the successful proposer will understand that portions (potentially all) of their proposal may become public record at any time after receipt of proposals. Proposal responses, purchase orders and final contracts are subject to public disclosure after award. All confidential or proprietary information should be clearly denoted in proposal responses and responders should understand this information will be considered prior to release, however no guarantee is made that information will be withheld from public view.

II. <u>Background</u>

Sedgwick County, located in south-central Kansas, is one of the most populous of Kansas' 105 counties with a population estimated at more than 514,000 persons. It is the sixteenth largest in area, with 1,008 square miles, and reportedly has the second highest per capita wealth among Kansas' counties. Organizationally, the county is a Commission/Manager entity, employs nearly 2,500 persons, and hosts or provides a full range of municipal services, e.g. – public safety, public works, criminal justice, recreation, entertainment, cultural, human/social, and education.

Sedgwick County intends to establish a Service Contract with a provider who specializes in providing necessary multi-jurisdiction (nationwide) background services for prospective employees, current employees, contractors or volunteers.

The total number of background screenings (criminal and/or MVR) conducted by the county in 2022 through Human Resources was 1,506 and the total number of drug screens was 841.

III. **Project Objectives**

Sedgwick County, Kansas (hereinafter referred to as "county") is seeking a firm or firms to provide Pre-Employment Screening & On-Call Laboratory Services. The following objectives have been identified for this contract:

- 1. Acquire services meeting the parameters, conditions and mandatory requirements presented in the document.
- 2. Establish contract pricing with the vendor that has the best proven "track-record" in performance, service and customer satisfaction.
- 3. Acquire services with the most advantageous overall cost to the county.

IV. <u>Submittals</u>

Carefully review this Request for Proposal. It provides specific technical information necessary to aid participating firms in formulating a thorough response. Should you elect to participate, please email the entire document with supplementary materials to:

Purchasing@sedgwick.gov

SUBMITTALS are due **NO LATER THAN 1:45 pm CDT, TUESDAY, JUNE 13, 2023.** If there is any difficulty submitting a response electronically, please contact the Purchasing Technicians at <u>purchasing@sedgwick.gov</u> for assistance. Late or incomplete responses will not be accepted and will not receive consideration for final award. If you choose to send a hard copy of your proposal, Sedgwick County will not accept submissions that arrive late due to the fault of the U.S. Postal Service, United Parcel Service, DHL, FedEx, or any other delivery/courier service.

Proposal responses will be acknowledged and read into record at Bid Opening, which will occur at 2:00 pm CDT on the due date. No information other than the respondent's name will be disclosed at Bid Opening. We will continue to have Bid Openings for the items listed currently. If you would like to listen in as these proposals are read into the record, please dial our Meet Me line @ (316) 660-7271 at 2:00 pm.

V. <u>Scope of Work</u>

The Sedgwick County Human Resources Department may require any or all of the following services for prospective employees, contractors, or volunteers:

A. Background screening services for each prospective employee or volunteer which may include any or all of the following:

- 1. Social Security Number (SSN), verification and validation.
- 2. Criminal Records, check for seven (7) years including nationwide and appropriate County, State, and Federal bureaus.
- 3. Sex Offender Registry query.
- 4. Current Residence and, for criminal history, previous residences for up to seven (7) years prior.
- 5. Driving Record, lifetime for criminal history and DUI charges and convictions, including out of state.
- 6. Driving Record, for moving violations, up to seven (7) years history.
- 7. Motor Vehicle License(s), validity of currently-held.
- 8. Credit Information, up to seven (7) years history.
- 9. Education verification.

B. Additionally, the successful proposer will provide on-call laboratory services that meet or exceed the following requirements:

- 1. Perform Drug and Alcohol Testing/Screening for the following circumstances:
 - a. Pre-Employment/Post-Offer
 - b. Post-Accident
 - c. Random
 - d. Reasonable Suspicion
 - e. Department of Transportation (DOT)
- 2. Perform the following testing/screening types:
 - a. Urine
 - b. Breath (Ethanol only)
 - c. Blood
 - d. Saliva
- 3. Provide testing as requested for the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) 5:
 - a. Cannabinoids (Marijuana, Hash)
 - b. Cocaine (Cocaine, Crack, Benzoylecognine)
 - c. Amphetamines (Amphetamines, Methamphetamines, Speed)
 - d. Opiates (Heroin, Opium, Codeine, Morphine)
 - e. Phencyclidine (PCP)

- 4. Provide expanded testing as requested to include but not limited to:
 - a. Barbiturates (Phenobarbital, Secobarbitol, Butalbital)
 - b. Hydrocodone (Loritab, Vicodin)
 - c. Methaqualone (Qualuudes)
 - d. Benzodiazepines (Valium, Xanax, Librium, Serax, Rohypnol)
 - e. Methadone
 - f. Propoxyphene (Darvon compounds)
 - g. Ethanol (Alcohol)
 - h. MDMA (Ecstasy)
 - i. Hydromorphone (Morphine)
- 5. Provide random DOT urine drug screening.
 - a. Notify County Public Works Contract Manager of randomly selected employees.
 - b. Conduct urine testing on all selected.
 - c. Conduct breath testing on half of all selected (randomly selected by vendor).
- 6. Provide annual Motor Vehicle License reports as requested.
 - a. Validity of currently-held status.
 - b. Driving Record, lifetime for criminal history and DUI charges and convictions, including out of state.
 - c. Driving Record, for moving violations, up to seven (7) years history.
- 7. Provide daily business/after hours (as requested) testing services.
 - a. Minimum daily business hours are defined as Monday-Friday, 8:00a-5:00p No county defined holidays.
 - b. After hours are defined as any time outside of daily business hours.
 - c. The county will make payment based on normal business hours provided by vendor during solicitation review.

C. Proposer will provide the following for both services requested under items A and B.

- 1. Provide a clean, secure facility to conduct testing.
- 2. Provide subcontracted laboratory services for out of town prospective/current employees.
- 3. Provide secure electronic results through a password secure website to requesting department within one hour of testing completion.
- 4. Provide trained staff to conduct testing.
- 5. Provide a Medical Review Officer for the purpose of verifying results, notification/consultation with donor on positive test results.
- 6. Invoice each department once per month for all testing performed. Clearly print on invoices the following:
 - a. Department Name
 - b. Department Address
 - c. Departments Eight (8) Digit Fund/Cost Center (if available)
 - d. Purchase Order Number (if applicable)
 - e. Description of Test Performed
 - f. Name of Individual Tested
 - g. Quantity Ordered
 - h. County Unit Price
 - i. County Extended Price

- 7. Ability to integrate on-line ordering and results with SuccessFactors Recruiting system.
 - a. What mobile features exist for candidates and admins
 - b. Is there a single integration point when ordering
 - c. Automated features (workflows) based on the candidate's status
 - d. Access candidate screening results without leaving the SuccessFactors system
 - e. Is there some type of library of orders and supporting documents accessed without having to leave the SuccessFactors system
- D. Ability to designate Authorized Users.
 - Human Resources will designate the names of people who shall serve as the county's Primary Authorized Users. Human Resources will designate certain Authorized Users as restricted to obtaining Motor Vehicle Driving Record.

E. Any screening services requested must be received by county within two (2) business days (or notified of pending status) of the official request being submitted to the vendor.

VI. <u>Sedgwick County's Responsibilities</u>

- Provide information, as legally allowed, in possession of the county, which relates to the county's requirements or which is relevant to this project.
- Designate a person to act as the County Contract Manager with respect to the work to be performed under this contract.
- County reserves the right to make inspections at various points of the project. Contractor agrees to openly participate in said inspections and provide information to the county on the progress, expected completion date and any unforeseen or unexpected complications in the project.

VII. <u>Proposal Terms</u>

A. <u>Questions and Contact Information</u>

Any questions regarding this document must be submitted via email to Britt Rosencutter at <u>britt.rosencutter@sedgwick.gov</u> by 5:00 pm CDT, Friday, May 26, 2023. Any questions of a substantive nature will be answered in written form as an addendum and posted on the purchasing website at

<u>https://www.sedgwickcounty.org/finance/purchasing/requests-for-bid-and-proposal/</u> under the Documents column associated with this RFP number by 5:00 pm CDT, Friday June 2, 2023. Firms are responsible for checking the website and acknowledging any addenda on their proposal response form.

B. <u>Minimum Firm Qualifications</u>

This section lists the criteria to be considered in evaluating the ability of firms interested in providing the service(s) and/or product(s) specified in this Request for Proposal. Firms must meet or exceed theses qualifications to be considered for award. Any exceptions to the requirements listed should be clearly detailed in proposer's response. Proposers shall:

- 1. Have a minimum of three (3) years' experience in providing services similar to those specified in this RFP.
- 2. Have an understanding of industry standards and best practices.
- 3. Have experience in managing projects of comparable size and complexity to that being proposed.
- 4. Have knowledge of and comply with all currently applicable, and as they become enacted during the contract term, federal, state and local laws, statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations. All laws of the State of Kansas, whether substantive or procedural, shall apply to the contract, and all statutory, charter, and ordinance provisions that are applicable to public contracts in the county shall be followed with respect to the contract.
- 5. Municipal and county government experience is desired, however, the county will make the final determination based on responses received and the evaluation process.
- 6. Have the capacity to acquire all bonds, escrows or insurances as outlined in the terms of this RFP.
- 7. Provide project supervision (as required) and quality control procedures.
- 8. Have appropriate material, equipment and labor to perform specified services.

- 9. Park only in designated areas and display parking permit (if provided).
- 10. Wear company uniform or ID badge for identification purposes.

C. <u>Evaluation Criteria</u>

The selection process will be based on the responses to this RFP. County staff will judge each response as determined by the scoring criteria below. Purchasing staff are not a part of the evaluation committee.

Component	Points
a. Scope of Proposal: How well does the proposal address the services and	
requirements contained in the RFP?	20
b. Assigned Personnel: Do the persons who will be providing the services have the	
necessary skills? Are sufficient people of the requisite skills available?	20
c. Systems & Procedures: Does the firm have the systems, software and support to	
provide requested services, online access? Accessibility? Results reporting? Security?	
Quality Assurance? Regulatory compliance and updates?	20
d. Cost : Are the fees presented reasonable for the effort required in each service?	15
e. Integration: Was integration well explained, is the vendor an SAP partner or SAP	
certified? Does this vendor provide implementation support or just a document for the	
customer to use for implementation? Does this vendor provide ongoing support for	
their software and integration? Does the vendor allow access to their database or	
replicated database?	15
f. Ability to provide both services: Pre-employment screening and on-call laboratory	
services.	10
Total Points	100

Assume the following cost proposals (examples only)

A. \$50,000.00

B. \$38,000.00

C. \$49,000.00

Company B with a total price of \$38,000.00 is the low offer. Take the low offer and divide each of the other offers into the low offer to calculate a percentage. This percentage is then multiplied by the number of points available for the cost. In this case, 10 points are allocated to cost.

A.	\$38,000.00 divided by \$50,000.00 =.76	.76*10	7.6 points
В.	\$38,000.00 divided by \$38,000.00 =1.00	1.00*10	10 points
С.	\$38,000.00 divided by \$49,000.00=.77	.77*10	7.7 points

Any final negotiations for services, terms and conditions will be based, in part, on the firm's method of providing the service and the fee schedule achieved through discussions and agreement with the county's review committee. The county is under no obligation to accept the lowest priced proposal and reserves the right to further negotiate services and costs that are proposed. The county also reserves the sole right to recommend for award the proposal and plan that it deems to be in its best interest.

The county reserves the right to reject all proposals. All proposals, including supporting documentation shall become the property of Sedgwick County. All costs incurred in the preparation of this proposal shall be the responsibility of the firm making the proposals. Sedgwick County reserves the right to select, and subsequently recommend for award, the proposed service which best meets its required needs, quality levels and budget constraints.

D. <u>Request for Proposal Timeline</u>

The following dates are provided for information purposes and are subject to change without notice. Contact the Purchasing Department at (316) 660-7255 to confirm any and all dates.

Distribution of Request for Proposal to interested parties	Thursday, May 18, 2023
Questions and clarifications submitted via email by 5:00 pm CDT	Friday, May 26, 2023
Addendum Issued by 5:00 pm CDT	Friday, June 2, 2023
Proposal due before 1:45 pm CDT	Tuesday, June 13, 2023
Evaluation Period	June 14 through July 7
Board of Bids and Contracts Recommendation	Thursday, July 13, 2023
Board of County Commission Award	Wednesday, July 19, 2023
Integration of vendors system with SuccessFactors	Friday, October 13, 2023

E. <u>Contract Period and Payment Terms</u>

A contractual period will begin following Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) approval of the successful firm(s) and continue for a period of three (3) years with two (2) one (1) year options to renew.

County may cancel its obligations herein upon thirty-day (30) prior written notice to the other party. It is understood that funding may cease or be reduced at any time, and in the event that adequate funds are not available to meet the obligations hereunder, either party reserves the right to terminate this agreement upon thirty (30) days prior written notice to the other. Payment will be remitted following receipt of monthly detailed invoice.

Payment and Invoice Provisions

https://www.sedgwickcounty.org/media/55477/payment-and-invoice-provisions.pdf

F. Insurance Requirements

Liability insurance coverage indicated below must be considered as primary and not as excess insurance. If required, contractor's professional liability/errors and omissions insurance shall (i) have a policy retroactive date prior to the date any professional services are provided for this project, and (ii) be maintained for a minimum of three (3) years past completion of the project. Contractor shall furnish a certificate evidencing such coverage, with county listed as an additional insured including both ongoing and completed operations, except for professional liability, workers' compensation and employer's liability. **Certificate shall be provided prior to award of contract.** Certificate shall remain in force during the duration of the project/services and will not be canceled, reduced, modified, limited, or restricted until thirty (30) days after county receives written notice of such change. All insurance must be with an insurance company with a minimum BEST rating of A-VIII and licensed to do business in the State of Kansas (must be acknowledged on the bid/proposal response form).

NOTE: If any insurance is subject to a deductible or self-insured retention, written disclosure must be included in your proposal response and also be noted on the certificate of insurance.

It is the responsibility of contractor to require that any and all approved subcontractors meet the minimum insurance requirements.

Workers' Compensation:	
Applicable coverage per State Statutes	
Employer's Liability Insurance:	\$500,000.00
Commercial General Liability Insurance (on form CG 00 01 04 13 or its equivalent	nt):
Each Occurrence	\$1,000,000.00
General Aggregate, per project	\$2,000,000.00
Personal Injury	\$1,000,000.00
Products and Completed Operations Aggregate	\$2,000,000.00
Automobile Liability:	
Combined Single Limit	\$500,000.00
Umbrella Liability:	
Following form for both the general liability and automobile	
<u>X</u> Required / Not Required	
Each Claim	\$1,000,000.00
Aggregate	\$1,000,000.00
Professional Liability/ Errors & Omissions Insurance:	
<u>X</u> Required / Not Required	
Each Claim	\$1,000,000.00
Aggregate	\$1,000,000.00
Pollution Liability Insurance:	
Required / <u>X</u> Not Required	
Each Claim	\$1,000,000.00
Aggregate	\$1,000,000.00
"Cyber/ Network Security and Privacy Liability Insurance in an amount of not	
less than \$1,000,000 combined single limit to cover civil, regulatory and	
statutory damages, contractual damage, as well as data breach management	
exposure, and any loss of income or extra expense as a result of actual or alleged	
breach, violation or infringement of right to privacy, consumer data protection	
law, confidentiality or other legal protection for personal information, as well as	
confidential information of Client or Client's clients."	
X_ Required/ Not Required	#1 000 000 00
Each Claim	\$1,000,000.00
Aggregate	\$1,000,000.00

Special Risks or Circumstances:

Entity reserves the right to modify, by written contract, these requirements, including limits, based on the nature of the risk, prior experience, insurer, coverage, or other special circumstances.

G. <u>Indemnification</u>

To the fullest extent of the law, the provider, its subcontractor, agents, servants, officers or employees shall indemnify and hold harmless Sedgwick County, including, but not limited to, its elected and appointed officials, officers, employees and agents, from any and all claims brought by any person or entity whatsoever, arising from any act, error, or omission of the provider during the provider's performance of the agreement or any other agreements of the provider entered into by reason thereof. The provider shall indemnify and defend Sedgwick County, including, but not limited to, its elected and appointed officials, officers, employees and agents, with respect to any claim arising, or alleged to have arisen from negligence, and/or willful, wanton or reckless acts or omissions of the provider, its subcontractor, agents, servants, officers, or employees and any and all losses or liabilities resulting from any such claims, including, but not limited to, damage awards, costs and reasonable attorney's fees. This indemnification shall not be affected by any other portions of the agreement relating to insurance requirements. The provider agrees that it will procure and keep in force at all times at its own expense insurance in accordance with these specifications.

H. <u>Confidential Matters and Data Ownership</u>

The successful proposer agrees all data, records and information, which the proposer, its agents and employees, which is the subject of this proposal, obtain access, remains at all times exclusively the property of Sedgwick County. The successful proposer agrees all such data, records, plans and information constitutes at all times proprietary information of Sedgwick County. The successful proposer agrees that it will not disclose, provide, or make available any of such proprietary information in any form to any person or entity. In addition, the successful proposer agrees it will not use any names or addresses contained in such data, records, plans and information for the purpose of selling or offering for sale any property or service to any person or entity who resides at any address in such data. In addition, the successful proposer agrees it will not sell, give or otherwise make available to any person or entity any names or addresses contained in or derived from such data, records and information for the purpose of allowing such person to sell or offer for sale any property or service to any person or entity named in such data. Successful proposer agrees it will take all reasonable steps and the same protective precautions to protect Sedgwick County's proprietary information from disclosure to third parties as with successful proposer's own proprietary and confidential information. Proposer agrees that all data, regardless of form that is generated as a result of this Request for Proposal is the property of Sedgwick County.

Proposal Conditions

https://www.sedgwickcounty.org/media/31338/proposal-terms-conditions.pdf

General Contract Provisions https://www.sedgwickcounty.org/media/31337/general-contractual-provisions.pdf

Mandatory Contract Provisions https://www.sedgwickcounty.org/media/31336/mandatory-contractual-provisions.pdf

Independent Contractor

https://www.sedgwickcounty.org/media/54780/independent-contractor-addendum.pdf

Sample Contract

https://www.sedgwickcounty.org/media/39236/sample-contract.pdf

Federal Certifications Addendum Sedgwick County <u>https://www.sedgwickcounty.org/media/59719/federal-certifications-addendum-updated-for-changes-to-ug-11-12-2020-no-signature-line.pdf</u>

Suspension and Debarment https://www.sedgwickcounty.org/finance/purchasing/suspension-and-debarment/

VIII. <u>Required Response Content</u>

All proposal submissions shall include the following:

- 1. Firm profile: the name of the firm, address, telephone number(s), contact person, year the firm was established, and the names of the principals of the firm.
- 2. The firm's relevant experience, notably experience working with government agencies.
- 3. At minimum, three (3) professional references, besides Sedgwick County, with email addresses, telephone numbers, and contact persons where work has been completed within the last three (3) years.
- 4. A disclosure of any personal or financial interest in any properties in the project area, or any real or potential conflicts of interest with members of the Sedgwick County Board of County Commissioners or county staff.
- 5. A description of the type of assistance that will be sought from county staff, including assistance required from the county to lessen the costs of this project.
- 6. Proof of insurance meeting minimum insurance requirements as designated herein.
- 7. Those responses that do not include all required forms/items may be deemed non-responsive.
- 8. Description of firm to include but not limited to:
 - a. Brief history to include qualifications and experience.
 - b. Normal Hours of Operation for each site. (County Contract Manager shall approve any adjustments to Normal Hours of Operation subsequent to contract award.)
 - c. Expanded Hours of Operation.
 - d. On-call Hour's availability and services.
 - e. Depth of staff.
 - f. Depth of equipment immediately available for each site.
 - g. Quality control procedures.
 - h. Description of methodology/collection/testing process.
 - i. Pricing for Multi-Jurisdiction (Nationwide) criminal screenings, DMV background screenings, Drug Screenings, Education Verification, Credit Reporting and all other associated fees if applicable.
 - j. List of specific databases and registries used to conduct background checks.
 - k. Description of data security protocols.
 - a. If web based, preferably written in HTML 5, not requiring Java, Reader, or Flash needs (vulnerable 3rd party apps) if any, always the latest version.
 - b. Vendor should provide a list of client requirements.
 - c. Vendor should indicate data requirements data growth rate per year (database size, attachments, binaries, backup sizes, etc...). How does this impact costs and services?
 - d. Vendor should list client application deployment methods (please include how these applications will be updated).
 - e. Vendor should list any included backup and recovery capabilities, objectives and estimated timelines. Please include any known issues with backup and recovery systems on the market.
 - f. Vendor should provide secure connections to data and be compliant with any regulatory requirements such as HIPAA, CJIS, and PCI requirements.
 - g. Vendor should include interface diagram and security specifics.
 - h. If not answered in previous question please list authentication and security methods for access to the system and system data.
 - i. The software needs to be able to be supported on current technology standards and future / modern OS releases. Does this system stay up to date with modern software updates -- such as Windows OS or SQL versioning to the latest versions?
 - j. Vendor should list Server and Client resource requirements (CPU, Memory, and Disk Space)
 - k. Vendor should indicate server and application update practices (Include the answers to how to patch the application on the client and server).
 - 1. Vendor should list network connection requirements.

- m. If on-premise, vendor should list system external interface requirements (Please include an interface diagram) Is there any remote connection into the On-Premise system needed for support by the vendor?
- n. If not addressed in previous response, vendor should list authentication and security methods for access to the system and system data.
- o. Vendor should indicate backup methods recommended any incompatibilities with backup systems on the market.
- p. Software should be compatible with modern antivirus clients (list any needed exceptions or known problems).

I. Integration capabilities with SuccessFactors Recruiting system.

- a. The preference is to provide a separate production and separate test system that integrates with our SuccessFactors production and test systems.
- b. The product should integrate with SAP SuccessFactors Cloud Solution using standard SAP approved interfaces and API's.
- c. Assistance and customer support should be provided to enable all target users to install, configure and use the solution.
- d. Preferred that vendor is SAP certified and/or currently an SAP Partner but may not be required.
- e. The product should allow read only access to system database or replicated database to facilitate ability to bring data into SAP BI for ERP. In addition, preference would also be to have access to the systems data dictionary but may not be required.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL RFP #23-0036

PRE-EMPLOYMENT SCREENING & ON-CALL LABORATORY SERVICES

The undersigned, on behalf of the proposer, certifies that: (1) this offer is made without previous understanding, agreement or connection with any person, firm, or corporation submitting a proposal on the same project; (2) is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; (3) the person whose signature appears below is legally empowered to bind the firm in whose name the proposer is entered; (4) they have read the complete Request for Proposal and understands all provisions; (5) if accepted by the county, this proposal is guaranteed as written and amended and will be implemented as stated; and (6) mistakes in writing of the submitted proposal will be their responsibility.

NAME DBA/SAME			
CONTACT			
	CITY/STATE	ZIP	
	FAX		
	ORGANIZATION		
	EMAIL		
	NUMBER OF PERSONS EMPLOYED		
TYPE OF ORGANIZATION: Publi	c Corporation Private Corporation	Sole Proprietorship	
Partnership Other (Describ	e):		
BUSINESS MODEL: Small Business	s Manufacturer Distributor	Retail	
Dealer Other (Describe): _			
Not a Minority-Owned Business:	Minority-Owned Business:	(Specify Below)	
African American (05)	Asian Pacific (10) Subcontinent Asian (15)	Hispanic (20)	
Native American (25)	Other (30) - Please specify		
Not a Woman-Owned Business:	Woman-Owned Business: (Spe	cify Below)	
Not Minority -Woman Owned (5	50) African American-Woman Owned (55)	Asian Pacific-Woman Owned (60)	
Subcontinent Asian-Woman Ow	vned (65)Hispanic Woman Owned (70)	_Native American-Woman Owned (75)	
Other – Woman Owned (80) –	Please specify		
ARE YOU REGISTERED TO DO B	BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF KS:Yes	No	
UEI (UNIQUE ENTITY IDENTIFIE	ER) NO		
INSURANCE REGISTERED IN TH	IE STATE OF KS WITH MINIMUM BEST RATIN	IG OF A-VIII: Yes No	
ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF A	DDENDA: All addendum(s) are posted to our RFB/RF addendum(s) related to this document by going to		
NO, DATED	; NO; NO; NO;	, DATED	
submission format should be by order i	owledges all requirements, terms, conditions, and section in which sections are listed throughout the document. A etailed in proposer's response. Exceptions to any part	ll minimum and general requirements	
Signature	Title		
Print Name	Dated		

Sedgwick County Division of Information and Technology – Architecture and IT Standards

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If product proposed is vendor/cloud hosted:

Preferably written in HTML 5, not requiring Java, Reader, or Flash needs (vulnerable 3rd party apps) - if any, always the latest version.

Vendor should provide a list of client requirements.

Vendor should indicate data requirements - data growth rate per year (database size, attachments, binaries, backup sizes, etc.). How does this impact costs and services?

Vendor should list client application deployment methods (please include how these applications will be updated).

Vendor should list any included backup and recovery capabilities, objectives and estimated timelines.

Vendor should provide secure connections to data and be compliant with any regulatory requirements such as HIPAA, CJIS, and PCI requirements.

Vendor should include interface diagram and security specifics.

If not answered in previous question please list authentication and security methods for access to the system and system data:

If a hosted solution, Sedgwick County should retain access to data should contracts terminate, the data remains the property of Sedgwick County.

If product proposed is on premise (County servers):

The software needs to be able to be supported on current technology standards and future / modern OS releases. Does this system stay up to date with modern software updates -- such as Windows OS or SQL versioning to the latest versions?

If web based, preferably written in HTML 5, not requiring Java, Reader, or Flash needs (vulnerable 3rd party apps) - if any, always the latest version.

Environment and Platforms for on-Premise:

- Install on latest version of Windows -- Windows 2012R2 or newer, 64 bit.
- If web based, browser compatible with Internet Explorer 11+, or other modern browsers.
- If not proprietary or internal database Latest version of SQL Server Supported (minimum 64bit 2012)

- VMWare 5.5+ compatible and supported.
- Application can be centrally managed:
 - Updates to app
 - Patches to operating system it is on
 - Microsoft Active Directory member
 - Ability to manage through Group Policy
 - If thick client, client can be deployed with minimal configuration needs, fully packaged in .MSI or other sustainable deployable method.

Vendor should list Server and Client resource requirements (CPU, Memory, and Disk Space)

Vendor should indicate data requirements - data growth rate per year (database size, attachments, binaries, backup sizes, etc.).

Vendor should indicate server and application update practices (Include the answers to how to patch the application on the client and server).

Vendor should list network connection requirements.

Vendor should list client application deployment methods (please include how these applications will be updated).

Vendor should list System External Interface requirements (Please include an interface diagram) – Is there any remote connection into the on Premise system needed for support?

If not addressed in previous response, vendor should list authentication and security methods for access to the system and system data.

Vendor should indicate backup methods recommended - any incompatibilities with backup systems on the market?

Software should be compatible with modern antivirus clients (list any needed exceptions or known problems)?

Vendor should list any firewall and security considerations or exceptions needed?

Vendor should list any database or software license needs, purchased outside of this request.

Sedgwick County Non-Employee Information Technology Usage Agreement

Anyone that is not a Sedgwick County employee who will access Sedgwick County information technology in the course of their work for Sedgwick County ("Non-employee personnel") are required to sign this document before accessing any Sedgwick County information technology system. "Information technology" includes any computer, network, Internet access, electronic mail and voice message systems, facsimile devices, or other electronic systems used by Sedgwick County.

- Non-employee personnel have no expectation of privacy in any electronic communications, use of Sedgwick County property, or Internet access. Sedgwick County reserves the right to review, audit, or monitor any information technology used by nonemployee personnel.
- 2. Non-employee personnel shall use only accounts authorized by the Sedgwick County Chief Technology Officer (SCCTO).
- 3. Non-employee personnel may access only those resources for which they are specifically authorized.
- Non-employee personnel are personally responsible for safeguarding their account and log-on information. Passwords shall adhere to the following.
 - a. Passwords shall remain confidential.
 - b. Passwords shall be changed at least every 90 days.
 - c. Passwords shall be at least six characters long.
 - d. Passwords shall contain characters from at least three of the following four classes: (i) English upper case letters, *A*, *B*, (ii) English lower case letters, *a*, *b*, (iii) Westernized Arabic numerals, 0,1,2, and (iv) Non-alphanumeric ("special characters") such as punctuation symbols.
 - e. Passwords shall not contain your user name or any part of your full name.
 - f. Passwords shall never be displayed, printed, or otherwise recorded in an unsecured manner.
- 5. Non-employee personnel are not permitted to script their user IDs and/or passwords for log-on access.
- 6. Non-employee personnel are not permitted to allow another person to log-on to any computer utilizing their, if provided, personal account, nor are they permitted to utilize someone else's account to log-on to a computer. Authorized system or service accounts may be used by multiple authorized people.
- Non-employee personnel may not leave their workstation logged onto the network while away from their area. Non-employee personnel may elect to lock the workstation rather than logging off when leaving for very short time periods.
- Non-employee personnel shall maintain a log, left with the computer, of all software loaded onto any Sedgwick County computer. The software must have been approved in writing in advance by the SCCTO.
- 9. Non-employee personnel shall execute only applications that pertain to their specific contract work.
- 10. Non-employee personnel shall promptly report log-on problems or any other computer errors to the Helpdesk (316-660-9811).
- 11. Non-employee personnel shall promptly notify the SCCTO if they have any reason to suspect a breach of security or potential breach of security.
- 12. Non-employee personnel shall promptly report anything that they deem to be a security loophole or weakness in the computer network to the SCCTO.
- 13. Non-employee personnel shall not install or use any type of encryption device or software on any Sedgwick County hardware, which has not been approved in writing in advance by the SCCTO.
- 14. Non-employee personnel shall not attach any device to the Sedgwick County network without prior written approval in advance from the SCCTO.

- 15. Non-employee personnel may not remove any computer hardware, data or software from a Sedgwick County building for any reason, without prior written approval from the SCCTO.
- 16. Non-employee personnel shall not delete, disable, or bypass any authorized encryption device, or anti-virus or other software program, installed on Sedgwick County hardware.
- 17. Non-employee personnel shall not attach any network or phone cables to any Sedgwick County device without written approval from the SCCTO.
- Non-employee personnel may not copy any data and/or software from any Sedgwick County resource for personal use.
- 19. Non-employee personnel may not utilize Sedgwick County computer systems or networks for any of the following reasons:
 - a. Game playing;
 - b. Internet surfing not required for their work activity;
 - c. Non-related work activity; or
 - d. Any illegal activity.
 - e. Downloading of files from non-County resources. If files are needed for your work, contact Sedgwick County DIO IT personnel.
- Non-employee personnel are prohibited from intercepting or monitoring network traffic by any means, including the use of network sniffers, unless authorized in writing in advance by the SCCTO.
- 21. Non-employee personnel may not give out any Sedgwick County computer information to anyone. Exception: other non-employee personnel needing the information to complete authorized tasks and who have signed this agreement. Information includes but is not limited to: IP addresses, security configurations, etc.
- 22. All data storage media shall be erased or destroyed prior to disposal.
- Non-employee personnel may not remove, modify, erase, destroy or delete any computer software without the written approval in advance of the SCCTO.
- 24. Non-employee personnel shall not attempt to obtain or distribute Sedgwick County system or user passwords.
- 25. Non-employee personnel shall not attempt to obtain or distribute door passcodes/passkeys to secured rooms at any Sedgwick County facility for which they are not authorized.
- 26. All equipment issued to non-employee personnel will be returned in good condition to Sedgwick County upon termination of the Sedgwick County/non-employee Personnel relationship.
- 27. Non-employee personnel may not use Sedgwick County information technology to send or receive threatening, obscene, abusive, sexually explicit language or pictures.
- 28. Non-employee personnel are prohibited from causing Sedgwick County to break copyright laws.
- 29. Use by non-employee personnel of any Sedgwick County information technology will acknowledge acceptance of the abovereferenced policies. Any non-employee who violates any of these policies shall be subject to disciplinary action, including total removal from the Sedgwick County project as well as being subject to Kansas civil and criminal liability. Disciplinary action may include Sedgwick County requesting the non-employee be considered for demotion, suspension and termination.

Non-employee personnel signature	Date	Company/Agency name	(Print)
Non-employee personnel <u>name</u> (Print)	Purpose (Sta	ate the reason you are signing this	form)
Non-employee personnel phone number	Sedgwick County Spons	or & <u>phone number</u> (<i>Print employe</i>	e name and department)

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HIPAA RULES

BUSINESS ASSOCIATE ADDENDUM DEFINITIONS

1.1 The following terms used in this Agreement shall have the same meaning as those terms in the HIPAA Rules: Breach, Data Aggregation, Designated Record Set, Disclosure, Health Care Operations, Individual, Minimum Necessary, Notice of Privacy Practices, Protected Health Information, Required By Law, Secretary, Security Incident, Subcontractor, Unsecured Protected Health Information, and Use.

Specific definitions:

(a) <u>Business Associate</u>. "Business Associate" shall generally have the same meaning as the term "business associate" at 45 CFR 160.103.

(b) <u>Covered Entity</u>. "Covered Entity" shall generally have the same meaning as the term "covered entity" at 45 CFR 160.103, and in reference to the party to this agreement, shall mean Sedgwick County.

(c) <u>HIPAA Rules</u>. "HIPAA Rules" shall mean the Privacy, Security, Breach Notification, and Enforcement Rules at 45 CFR Part 160 and Part 164.

OBLIGATIONS AND ACTIVITIES OF BUSINESS ASSOCIATE

Business Associate agrees to:

2.1 not Use or Disclose Protected Health Information other than as permitted or required by the Agreement or as Required By Law;

2.2 Use appropriate safeguards and comply with Subpart C of 45 CFR Part 164 with respect to electronic Protected Health Information, to prevent Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information other than as provided for by this Agreement;

2.3 report to covered entity any Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information not provided for by the Agreement of which it becomes aware, including Breaches of Unsecured Protected Health Information as required at 45 CFR 164.410, and any Security Incident of which it becomes aware, as further provided for in Par. 12.1, *et seq.*;

2.4 mitigate, to the extent practicable, any harmful effect that is known to Business Associate of a Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information by Business Associate in violation of the requirements of this Agreement;

2.5 in accordance with 45 CFR 164.502(e)(1)(ii) and 164.308(b)(2), if applicable, ensure that any Subcontractors that create, receive, maintain, or transmit Protected Health Information on behalf of the Business Associate agree to the same restrictions, conditions, and requirements that apply to the Business Associate with respect to such information;

2.6 make available Protected Health Information in a Designated Record Set to the Covered Entity as necessary to satisfy Covered Entity's obligations under 45 CFR 164.524;

2.7 make any amendment(s) to Protected Health Information in a Designated Record Set as directed or agreed to by the Covered Entity pursuant to 45 CFR 164.526 or take other measures as necessary to satisfy Covered Entity's obligations under 45 CFR 164.526;

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2.8 make its internal practices, books, and records available to the Secretary for purposes of determining compliance with the HIPAA Rules; and

2.9 maintain and make available the information required to provide an accounting of Disclosures to the Covered Entity as necessary to satisfy covered entity's obligations under 45 CFR 164.528.

PERMITTED USES AND DISCLOSURES BY ASSOCIATE

3.1 Except as otherwise limited in this Agreement, Business Associate may only Use or Disclose Protected Health Information on behalf of, or to provide services to, Covered Entity for the purposes of the contractual relationship, if such Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information would not violate the Privacy Rule if done by Covered Entity or the Minimum Necessary policies and procedures of the Covered Entity.

SPECIFIC USE AND DISCLOSURE PROVISIONS

4.1 Except as otherwise limited in this Agreement, Business Associate may Use Protected Health Information for the proper management and administration of the Business Associate or to carry out the contractual or legal responsibilities of the Business Associate.

4.2 Business Associate may Use or Disclose Protected Health Information as Required By Law.

4.3 Business Associate agrees to make Uses and Disclosures and requests for Protected Health Information consistent with Covered Entity's Minimum Necessary policies and procedures.

4.4 Business Associate may Disclose Protected Health Information for the proper management and administration of Business Associate or to carry out the legal responsibilities of the Business Associate, provided the Disclosures are Required By Law, or Business Associate obtains reasonable assurances from the person to whom the information is disclosed that the information will remain confidential and Used or further Disclosed only as Required By Law or for the purposes for which it was Disclosed to the person, and the person notifies Business Associate of any instances of which it is aware in which the confidentiality of the information has been Breached.

4.5 Business Associate may provide Data Aggregation services relating to the Health Care Operations of the covered entity.

4.6 Business Associate may Use Protected Health Information to report violations of law to appropriate Federal and State authorities, consistent with 164.502(j)(1).

OBLIGATIONS OF COVERED ENTITY

5.1 Covered Entity shall notify Business Associate of any limitation(s) in its Notice of Privacy Practices of Covered Entity in accordance with 45 CFR § 164.520, to the extent that such limitation may affect Business Associate's Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information.

5.2 Covered Entity shall notify Business Associate of any changes in, or revocation of, permission by Individual to Use or Disclose Protected Health Information, to the extent that such changes may affect Business Associate's Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information.

5.3 Covered Entity shall notify Business Associate of any restriction to the Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information that Covered Entity has agreed to in accordance with 45 CFR § 164.522, to the extent that such restriction may affect Business Associate's Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information.

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PERMISSIBLE REOUESTS BY COVERED ENTITY

6.1 Covered Entity shall not request Business Associate to Use or Disclose Protected Health Information in any manner that would not be permissible under Subpart E of 45 CFR Part 164 if done by Covered Entity. If necessary in order to meet the Business Associate's obligations under the Agreement, the Business Associate may Use or Disclose Protected Health Information for Data Aggregation, management and administrative activities, or contractual or legal responsibilities of Business Associate.

TERM

7.1 *Term.* The Agreement shall be effective as of date of execution of the Agreement by the parties, and shall terminate when all of the Protected Health Information provided by Covered Entity to Business Associate, or created or received by Business Associate on behalf of Covered Entity, has been returned to Covered Entity or, at Covered Entity's option, is destroyed, or, if it is infeasible to destroy Protected Health Information, the protections are extended to such information, in accordance with the termination provisions in this Agreement.

MISCELLANEOUS

8.1 A reference in this Agreement to a section in the HIPAA Rules means the section as in effect or as amended.

8.2 The Parties agree to take such action as is necessary to amend this Agreement from time to time as is necessary for Covered Entity to comply with the requirements of the HIPAA Rules.

8.3 Any ambiguity in this Agreement shall be resolved to permit Covered Entity to comply with the HIPAA Rules.

8.4 In addition to any implied indemnity or express indemnity provision in the Agreement, Business Associate agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Covered Entity, including any employees, agents, or Subcontractors against any actual and direct losses suffered by the Indemnified Party(ies) and all liability to third parties arising out of or in connection with any breach of this Agreement or from any negligent or wrongful acts or omissions, including failure to perform its obligations under the HIPAA Rules, by the Business Associate or its employees, directors, officers, Subcontractors, agents, or other members of its workforce. Accordingly, upon demand, the Business Associate shall reimburse the Indemnified Party(ies) for any and all actual expenses (including reasonable attorney's fees) which may be imposed upon any Indemnified Party(ies) by reason of any suit, claim, action, proceeding or demand by any third party resulting from the Business Associate's failure to perform, Breach or other action under this Agreement.

SECURITY RULE REOUIREMENTS

9.1 Business Associate agrees, to the extent any Protected Health Information created, received, maintained or transmitted by or in electronic media, also referred to as electronic protected health care information, as defined by 45 CFR

§ 160.103, that it will only create, maintain or transmit such information with appropriate safeguards in place.

Business Associate shall therefore: implement administrative, physical, and technical safeguards that reasonably and appropriately protect the confidentiality, integrity and availability of the electronic protected health care information; ensure that any agent, including Subcontractors, to whom it provides such information shall agree to also implement reasonable and appropriate safeguards to protect the information; and report to the Covered Entity any Security Incident, as that term is defined by 45 CFR § 164.304, of which it becomes aware.

TERMINATION

10.1 Business Associate authorizes termination of this Agreement by Covered Entity, if Covered Entity determines Business Associate has violated a material term of the Agreement and Business Associate has not cured the breach or ended the violation within the time specified by Covered Entity.

EFFECT OF TERMINATION

11.1 Upon termination of this Agreement for any reason, Business Associate shall return to Covered Entity or, if agreed to by Covered Entity, destroy all Protected Health Information received from Covered Entity, or created, maintained, or received by Business Associate on behalf of Covered Entity, that the Business Associate still maintains in any form. Business Associate shall retain no copies of the Protected Health Information.

Provided however, Business Associate may retain Protected Health Information if necessary for management and administration purposes or to carry out its legal responsibilities after termination of the Agreement.

Upon termination of this Agreement for any reason, Business Associate, with respect to Protected Health Information received from Covered Entity, or created, maintained, or received by Business Associate on behalf of Covered Entity, shall:

retain only that Protected Health Information which is necessary for Business Associate to continue its proper management and administration or to carry out its legal responsibilities;

return to Covered Entity or, if agreed to by Covered Entity, destroy the remaining Protected Health Information that the Business Associate still maintains in any form;

continue to use appropriate safeguards and comply with Subpart C of 45 CFR Part 164 with respect to electronic Protected Health Information to prevent Use or Disclosure of the Protected Health Information, other than as provided for in this Section, for as long as Business Associate retains the Protected Health Information;

not Use or Disclose the Protected Health Information retained by Business Associate other than for the purposes for which such Protected Health Information was retained and subject to the same conditions set out at in this Agreement which applied prior to termination;

return to Covered Entity or, if agreed to by Covered Entity, destroy the Protected Health Information retained by Business Associate when it is no longer needed by Business Associate for its proper management and administration or to carry out its legal responsibilities; and

provided, however, that nothing in this section 11.1 shall apply in the case of PHI remaining in its possession which Business Associate determines it is not feasible to return or destroy. Business Associate shall extend the protection of this Agreement to such PHI and limit further uses and disclosure of such PHI.

The obligations of Business Associate under this Agreement shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

NOTIFICATION OF BREACH

12.1 To the extent Business Associate accesses, maintains, retains, modifies, records, stores, destroys, or otherwise holds, Uses, or Discloses Unsecured Protected Health Information, it shall, following the discovery of a Breach of such information, notify the Covered Entity of such Breach. Such notice shall include the identification of each Individual whose Unsecured Protected Health Information has been, or is reasonably believed by the Business Associate to have been, Used, accessed, acquired, or Disclosed during such Breach. The Business Associate shall provide the Covered Entity with any other available information that the Covered Entity is required to include in notification to the Individual under 45 C.F.R. § 164.404(c) at the time of the required notification to the Covered Entity, or as promptly thereafter as the information is available.

12.2 For purposes of this section, a Breach shall be treated as discovered by the Business Associate as of the first day on which such Breach is known to such Business Associate (including any person, other than the Individual committing the breach, that is an employee, officer, or other agent of such associate) or should reasonably have been known to such Business Associate (or person) to have occurred by the exercise of reasonable diligence.

12.3 Subject to section 12.4, all notifications required under this section shall be made without unreasonable delay and in no case later than 60 calendar days after the discovery of a Breach by the Business Associate involved in the case of a notification required under section 12.2. The Business Associate involved in the case of a notification required under section 12.2, shall have the burden of demonstrating that all notifications were made as required under this part, including evidence demonstrating the necessity of any delay.

12.4 If a law enforcement official determines that a notification or notice required under this section would impede a criminal investigation or cause damage to national security, such notification or notice shall be delayed in the same manner as provided under section 164.528(a)(2) of title 45, Code of Federal Regulations, in the case of a Disclosure covered under such section.

If a law enforcement official states to the Business Associate that any notification or notice would impede a criminal investigation or cause damage to national security, the Business Associate shall:

(a) If the statement is in writing and specifies the time for which a delay is required, delay such notification or notice for the time period specified by the official; or

(b) If the statement is made orally, document the statement, including the identity of the official making the statement, and delay the notification or notice temporarily and no longer than 30 days from the date of the oral statement, unless a written statement as described in (a) is submitted during that time.

PROHIBITION ON SALE OF ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORDS OR PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION.

13.1 Except as provided in section 13.2, the Business Associate shall not directly or indirectly receive remuneration in exchange for any Protected Health Information of an Individual unless the Covered Entity has obtained from the Individual, in accordance with section 164.508 of title 45, Code of Federal Regulations, a valid authorization that includes, in accordance with such section, a specification of whether the Protected Health Information can be further exchanged for remuneration by the entity receiving Protected Health Information of that Individual.

13.2. Section 13.1 shall not apply in the following cases:

(a) The purpose of the exchange is for public health activities (as described in section 164.512(b) of title 45, Code of Federal Regulations).

(b) The purpose of the exchange is for research (as described in sections 164.501 and 164.512(i) of title 45, Code of Federal Regulations) and the price charged reflects the costs of preparation and transmittal of the data for such purpose.

(c) The purpose of the exchange is for the treatment of the Individual, subject to any regulation that the Secretary may promulgate to prevent Protected Health Information from inappropriate access, Use, or Disclosure.

(d) The purpose of the exchange is the health care operation specifically described in subparagraph (iv) of paragraph (6) of the definition of healthcare operations in section 164.501 of title 45, Code of Federal Regulations.

(e) The purpose of the exchange is for remuneration that is provided by the Covered Entity to the Business Associate for activities involving the exchange of Protected Health Information that the Business Associate undertakes on behalf of and at the specific request of the Covered Entity pursuant to the Agreement.

(f) The purpose of the exchange is to provide an Individual with a copy of the Individual's Protected Health Information pursuant to section 164.524 of title 45, Code of Federal Regulations.

(g) The purpose of the exchange is otherwise determined by the Secretary in regulations to be similarly necessary and appropriate as the exceptions provided in subparagraphs (a) through (f).