Request for Proposal (RFP) for Digital Healthcare Guidance

Solicitation Number: 19-21

Publication Date: Tuesday, June 8th, 2021

Notice to Respondent:

Submittal Deadline: Thursday, July 22nd, 2021 2:00 pm CST

Questions regarding this solicitation must be submitted to questions@ncpa.us no later than Thursday, July 15th, 2021. All questions and answers will be posted to http://www.ncpa.us/solicitations.

It is the intention of Region 14 Education Service Center (herein "Region 14 ESC") to establish a Master Agreement for Digital Healthcare Guidance for use by Region 14 ESC and other public agencies supported under this contract. This Request for Proposal is issued on behalf of the National Cooperative Purchasing Alliance through a public agency clause, which provides that any county, city, special district, local government, school district, private K-12 school, higher education institution, state, other government agency, healthcare organization or nonprofit organization may purchase Products and Services through this contract. Respondents will be required to execute the NCPA Administration Agreement upon award.

This contract will allow agencies to purchase on an "as needed" basis from a competitively awarded contract. Respondents are requested to submit their total line of available products and services. While this solicitation specifically covers Digital Healthcare Guidance, respondents are encouraged to submit an offering on any or and all products and services available that they currently perform in their normal course of business.

Responses shall be received electronically no later than the submittal deadline via our online Bonfire portal at ncpa.bonfirehub.com

Immediately following the deadline, all responses will be publicly opened and the respondents recorded. Any response received later than the specified deadline will be disqualified.

Responses will remain sealed by our online Bonfire portal until the bid opening time specified. Responses received outside our online Bonfire portal will not be accepted. Sealed responses may be submitted on any or all items, unless stated otherwise. Proposal may be rejected for failure to comply with the requirements set forth in this invitation.



Competitive Solicitation by Region 14 Education Service Center For

Digital Healthcare Guidance
On behalf of itself and other Government Agencies
And made available through the
National Cooperative Purchasing Alliance
RFP # 19-21



Introduction / Scope

- ♦ Region 14 ESC on behalf of itself and all states, local governments, school districts, and higher education institutions in the United States of America, and other government agencies and non- profit organizations (herein "Public Agency" or collectively "Public Agencies") is soliciting proposals from qualified vendors to enter into a Master Agreement for a complete line of Digital Healthcare Guidance.
- ♦ Region 14 ESC, as the lead public agency, has partnered with NCPA to make the resultant contract available to all participating agencies in the United States. NCPA provides marketing and administrative support for the awarded vendor that promotes the successful vendor's products and services to Public Agencies nationwide. The Vendor will execute the NCPA Administration Agreement (Tab 2) upon award. Vendor should thoroughly review all documents and note any exceptions to NCPA terms and conditions in their proposal.
- ♦ Awarded vendor(s) shall perform covered services under the terms of this agreement. Respondents shall provide pricing based on a discount from their standard pricing schedules for products and/or services offered. Electronic Catalog and/or price lists must accompany the proposal. Multiple percentage discount structure is also acceptable. Please specify where different percentage discounts apply. Additional pricing and/or discounts may be included.
- Each service proposed is to be priced separately with all ineligible items identified. Services may be awarded to multiple vendors. Respondents may elect to limit their proposals to a single service within any category, or multiple services within any and all categories.
- ♦ National Cooperative Purchasing Alliance (NCPA)
 - ➤ The National Cooperative Purchasing Alliance (herein "NCPA") assists public agencies to increase their efficiency and reduce their costs when procuring goods and services. This is accomplished by awarding competitively solicited contracts that are leveraged nationally by combining the volumes and purchasing power of entities nationwide. Our contracts are available for use by any entity that must comply with procurement laws and regulations.
- ♦ It is the intention of Region 14 ESC and NCPA to achieve the following objectives through this RFP.
 - ➤ Provide a comprehensive competitively solicited Master Agreement offering Products and Services to Public Agencies;
 - ➤ Achieve cost savings of Vendors and Public Agencies through a single competitive solicitation process that eliminates the need for multiple proposals;
 - ➤ Combine the purchasing power of Public Agencies to achieve cost effective pricing;
 - > Reduce the administrative and overhead costs of Vendors and Public Agencies through state of the art purchasing procedures.

Instructions to Respondents

♦ Submission of Response

- ➤ Only responses received via our online Bonfire portal will be accepted. Faxed or mailed responses will not be accepted.
- > Responses may be submitted on any or all items, unless stated otherwise. Region 14 ESC reserves the right to reject or accept any response.
- > Deviations to the terms, conditions and/or specifications shall be conspicuously noted in writing by the respondent and shall be included with the response.
- ➤ Withdrawal of response will not be allowed for a period of 120 days following the opening. Pricing will remain firm for 120 days from submittal.

♦ Required Proposal Format

➤ Responses shall be provided electronically via our online Bonfire portal. Tabs should be used to separate the proposal into sections, as identified below. Respondents failing to organize in the manner listed may be considered non-responsive and may not be evaluated. It's recommended that all tabs, with the exception of Tab 7 (Pricing), be submitted in Portable Document Format (PDF). Please note pricing can be submitted separately in a alternate format (e.g. xlsx, xls, csv).

♦ Tabs

- ➤ Tab 1 Master Agreement / Signature Form
- ➤ Tab 2 NCPA Administration Agreement
- ➤ Tab 3 Vendor Questionnaire
- ➤ Tab 4 Vendor Profile
- ➤ Tab 5 Products and Services / Scope
- > Tab 6 References
- > Tab 7 Pricing
- ➤ Tab 8 Value Added Products and Services
- ➤ Tab 9 Required Documents

Tab 1 – Master Agreement General Terms and Conditions

◆ Customer Support

> The vendor shall provide timely and accurate technical advice and sales support. The vendor shall respond to such requests within one (1) working day after receipt of the request.

♦ Disclosures

- Respondent affirms that he/she has not given, offered to give, nor intends to give at any time hereafter any economic opportunity, future employment, gift, loan, gratuity, special discount, trip, favor or service to a public servant in connection with this contract.
- > The respondent affirms that, to the best of his/her knowledge, the offer has been arrived at independently, and is submitted without collusion with anyone to obtain information or gain any favoritism that would in any way limit competition or give an unfair advantage over other vendors in the award of this contract.

♦ Renewal of Contract

➤ Unless otherwise stated, all contracts are for a period of three (3) years with an option to renew for up to two (2) additional one-year terms or any combination of time equally not more than 2 years if agreed to by Region 14 ESC and the vendor.

Funding Out Clause

- Any/all contracts exceeding one (1) year shall include a standard "funding out" clause. A contract for the acquisition, including lease, of real or personal property is a commitment of the entity's current revenue only, provided the contract contains either or both of the following provisions:
- ➤ Retains to the entity the continuing right to terminate the contract at the expiration of each budget period during the term of the contract and is conditioned on a best efforts attempt by the entity to obtain appropriate funds for payment of the contract.

♦ Shipments (if applicable)

➤ The awarded vendor shall ship ordered products within seven (7) working days for goods available and within four (4) to six (6) weeks for specialty items after the receipt of the order unless modified. If a product cannot be shipped within that time, the awarded vendor shall notify the entity placing the order as to why the product has not shipped and shall provide an estimated shipping date. At this point the participating entity may cancel the order if estimated shipping time is not acceptable.

♦ Tax Exempt Status

> Since this is a national contract, knowing the tax laws in each state is the sole responsibility of the vendor.

♦ Payments

➤ The entity using the contract will make payments directly to the awarded vendor or their affiliates (distributors/business partners/resellers) as long as written request and approval by NCPA is provided to the awarded vendor.

Adding authorized distributors/dealers

- Awarded vendors may submit a list of distributors/partners/resellers to sell under their contract throughout the life of the contract. Vendor must receive written approval from NCPA before such distributors/partners/resellers considered authorized.
- Purchase orders and payment can only be made to awarded vendor or distributors/business partners/resellers previously approved by NCPA.
- ➤ Pricing provided to members by added distributors or dealers must also be less than or equal to the pricing offered by the awarded contract holder.
- ➤ All distributors/partners/resellers are required to abide by the Terms and Conditions of the vendor's agreement with NCPA.

♦ Pricing

- All pricing submitted shall include the administrative fee to be remitted to NCPA by the awarded vendor. It is the awarded vendor's responsibility to keep all pricing up to date and on file with NCPA.
- ➤ All deliveries shall be freight prepaid, F.O.B. destination and shall be included in all pricing offered unless otherwise clearly stated in writing

♦ Warranty

- Proposals should address each of the following:
 - Applicable warranty and/or guarantees of equipment and installations including any conditions and response time for repair and/or replacement of any components during the warranty period.
 - Availability of replacement parts
 - Life expectancy of equipment under normal use
 - Detailed information as to proposed return policy on all equipment

♦ Indemnity

➤ The awarded vendor shall protect, indemnify, and hold harmless Region 14 ESC and its participants, administrators, employees and agents against all claims, damages, losses and expenses arising out of or resulting from the actions of the vendor, vendor employees or vendor subcontractors in the preparation of the solicitation and the later execution of the contract.

♦ Franchise Tax

> The respondent hereby certifies that he/she is not currently delinquent in the payment of any franchise taxes.

Supplemental Agreements

> The entity participating in this contract and awarded vendor may enter into a separate supplemental agreement to further define the level of service requirements over and above the minimum defined in this contract i.e. invoice requirements, ordering requirements, specialized delivery, etc. Any supplemental agreement developed as a result of this contract is exclusively between the participating entity and awarded vendor.

♦ Certificates of Insurance

➤ Certificates of insurance shall be delivered to the Public Agency prior to commencement of work. The insurance company shall be licensed in the applicable state in which work is being conducted. The awarded vendor shall give the participating entity a minimum of ten (10) days notice prior to any modifications or cancellation of policies. The awarded vendor shall require all subcontractors performing any work to maintain coverage as specified.

♦ Legal Obligations

➤ It is the Respondent's responsibility to be aware of and comply with all local, state, and federal laws governing the sale of products/services identified in this RFP and any awarded contract and shall comply with all while fulfilling the RFP. Applicable laws and regulation must be followed even if not specifically identified herein.

♦ Protest

- ➤ A protest of an award or proposed award must be filed in writing within ten (10) days from the date of the official award notification and must be received by 5:00 pm CST. Protests shall be filed with Region 14 ESC and shall include the following:
 - Name, address and telephone number of protester
 - Original signature of protester or its representative
 - Identification of the solicitation by RFP number
 - Detailed statement of legal and factual grounds including copies of relevant documents and the form of relief requested
- Any protest review and action shall be considered final with no further formalities being considered.

♦ Force Majeure

- ➤ If by reason of Force Majeure, either party hereto shall be rendered unable wholly or in part to carry out its obligations under this Agreement then such party shall give notice and full particulars of Force Majeure in writing to the other party within a reasonable time after occurrence of the event or cause relied upon, and the obligation of the party giving such notice, so far as it is affected by such Force Majeure, shall be suspended during the continuance of the inability then claimed, except as hereinafter provided, but for no longer period, and such party shall endeavor to remove or overcome such inability with all reasonable dispatch.
- > The term Force Majeure as employed herein, shall mean acts of God, strikes, lockouts, or other industrial disturbances, act of public enemy, orders of any kind of government of the

United States or any civil or military authority; insurrections; riots; epidemics; landslides; lighting; earthquake; fires; hurricanes; storms; floods; washouts; droughts; arrests; restraint of government and people; civil disturbances; explosions, breakage or accidents to machinery, pipelines or canals, or other causes not reasonably within the control of the party claiming such inability. It is understood and agreed that the settlement of strikes and lockouts shall be entirely within the discretion of the party having the difficulty, and that the above requirement that any Force Majeure shall be remedied with all reasonable dispatch shall not require the settlement of strikes and lockouts by acceding to the demands of the opposing party or parties when such settlement is unfavorable in the judgment of the party having the difficulty

♦ Prevailing Wage

➤ It shall be the responsibility of the Vendor to comply, when applicable, with the prevailing wage legislation in effect in the jurisdiction of the purchaser. It shall further be the responsibility of the Vendor to monitor the prevailing wage rates as established by the appropriate department of labor for any increase in rates during the term of this contract and adjust wage rates accordingly.

♦ Miscellaneous

➤ Either party may cancel this contract in whole or in part by providing written notice. The cancellation will take effect 30 business days after the other party receives the notice of cancellation. After the 30th business day all work will cease following completion of final purchase order.

♦ Open Records Policy

- ➤ Because Region 14 ESC is a governmental entity responses submitted are subject to release as public information after contracts are executed. If a vendor believes that its response, or parts of its response, may be exempted from disclosure, the vendor must specify page-by-page and line-by-line the parts of the response, which it believes, are exempt. In addition, the respondent must specify which exception(s) are applicable and provide detailed reasons to substantiate the exception(s).
- The determination of whether information is confidential and not subject to disclosure is the duty of the Office of Attorney General (OAG). Region 14 ESC must provide the OAG sufficient information to render an opinion and therefore, vague and general claims to confidentiality by the respondent are not acceptable. Region 14 ESC must comply with the opinions of the OAG. Region14 ESC assumes no responsibility for asserting legal arguments on behalf of any vendor. Respondent are advised to consult with their legal counsel concerning disclosure issues resulting from this procurement process and to take precautions to safeguard trade secrets and other proprietary information.

Process

Region 14 ESC will evaluate proposals in accordance with, and subject to, the relevant statutes, ordinances, rules, and regulations that govern its procurement practices. NCPA will assist Region 14 ESC in evaluating proposals. Award(s) will be made to the prospective vendor whose response is determined to be the most advantageous to Region 14 ESC, NCPA, and its participating agencies. To qualify for evaluation, response must have been submitted on time, and satisfy all mandatory requirements identified in this document.

♦ Contract Administration

➤ The contract will be administered by Region 14 ESC. The National Program will be administered by NCPA on behalf of Region 14 ESC.

♦ Contract Term

- The contract term will be for three (3) year starting from the date of the award. The contract may be renewed for up to two (2) additional one-year terms or any combination of time equally not more than 2 years.
- > It should be noted that maintenance/service agreements may be issued for up to (5) years under this contract even if the contract only lasts for the initial term of the contract. NCPA will monitor any maintenance agreements for the term of the agreement provided they are signed prior to the termination or expiration of this contract.

Contract Waiver

Any waiver of any provision of this contract shall be in writing and shall be signed by the duly authorized agent of Region 14 ESC. The waiver by either party of any term or condition of this contract shall not be deemed to constitute waiver thereof nor a waiver of any further or additional right that such party may hold under this contract.

♦ Products and Services additions

➤ Products and Services may be added to the resulting contract during the term of the contract by written amendment, to the extent that those products and services are within the scope of this RFP.

♦ Competitive Range

➤ It may be necessary for Region 14 ESC to establish a competitive range. Responses not in the competitive range are unacceptable and do not receive further award consideration.

Deviations and Exceptions

➤ Deviations or exceptions stipulated in response may result in disqualification. It is the intent of Region 14 ESC to award a vendor's complete line of products and/or services, when possible.

♦ Estimated Quantities

➤ The estimated dollar volume of Products and Services purchased under the proposed Master Agreement is \$50 million dollars annually. This estimate is based on the anticipated volume of Region 14 ESC and current sales within the NCPA program. There is no guarantee or commitment of any kind regarding usage of any contracts resulting from this solicitation

♦ Evaluation

➤ Region 14 ESC will review and evaluate all responses in accordance with, and subject to, the relevant statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations that govern its procurement practices. NCPA will assist the lead agency in evaluating proposals. Recommendations for contract awards will be based on multiple factors, each factor being assigned a point value based on its importance.

♦ Formation of Contract

A response to this solicitation is an offer to contract with Region 14 ESC based upon the terms, conditions, scope of work, and specifications contained in this request. A solicitation does not become a contract until it is accepted by Region 14 ESC. The prospective vendor must submit a signed Signature Form with the response thus, eliminating the need for a formal signing process.

♦ NCPA Administrative Agreement

➤ The vendor will be required to enter and execute the National Cooperative Purchasing Alliance Administration Agreement with NCPA upon award with Region 14 ESC. The agreement establishes the requirements of the vendor with respect to a nationwide contract effort.

Clarifications / Discussions

Region 14 ESC may request additional information or clarification from any of the respondents after review of the proposals received for the sole purpose of elimination minor irregularities, informalities, or apparent clerical mistakes in the proposal. Clarification does not give respondent an opportunity to revise or modify its proposal, except to the extent that correction of apparent clerical mistakes results in a revision. After the initial receipt of proposals, Region 14 ESC reserves the right to conduct discussions with those respondent's whose proposals are determined to be reasonably susceptible of being selected for award. Discussions occur when oral or written communications between Region 14 ESC and respondent's are conducted for the purpose clarifications involving information essential for determining the acceptability of a proposal or that provides respondent an opportunity to revise or modify its proposal. Region 14 ESC will not assist respondent bring its proposal up to the level of other proposals through discussions. Region 14 ESC will not indicate to respondent a cost or price that it must meet to neither obtain further consideration nor will it provide any information about other respondents' proposals or prices.

Multiple Awards

➤ Multiple Contracts may be awarded as a result of the solicitation. Multiple Awards will ensure that any ensuing contracts fulfill current and future requirements of the diverse and large number of participating public agencies.

♦ Past Performance

➤ Past performance is relevant information regarding a vendor's actions under previously awarded contracts; including the administrative aspects of performance; the vendor's history of reasonable and cooperative behavior and commitment to customer satisfaction; and generally, the vendor's businesslike concern for the interests of the customer.

Evaluation Criteria

- Pricing (40 points)
 - **➤** Electronic Price Lists
 - Products, Services, Warranties, etc. pricelist
 - Prices listed will be used to establish both the extent of a vendor's product lines, services, warranties, etc. available from a particular bidder and the pricing per item.
- Ability to Provide and Perform the Required Services for the Contract (25 points)
 - Product Delivery within participating entities specified parameters
 - > Number of line items delivered complete within the normal delivery time as a percentage of line items ordered.
 - ➤ Vendor's ability to perform towards above requirements and desired specifications.
 - ➤ Past Cooperative Program Performance
 - Quantity of line items available that are commonly purchased by the entity.
 - > Quality of line items available compared to normal participating entity standards.
 - ➤ Provide both On-premise solutions as well as Cloud based solutions.
- References (15 points)
 - > A minimum of ten (10) customer references for product and/or services of similar scope dating within past 3 years
- ♦ Technology for Supporting the Program (10 points)
 - > Electronic on-line catalog, order entry use by and suitability for the entity's needs
 - ➤ Quality of vendor's on-line resources for NCPA members.
 - > Specifications and features offered by respondent's products and/or services
- ♦ Value Added Services Description, Products and/or Services (10 points)
 - Marketing and Training
 - > Minority and Women Business Enterprise (MWBE) and (HUB) Participation
 - Customer Service

Signature Form

The undersigned hereby proposes and agrees to furnish goods and/or services in strict compliance with the terms, specifications and conditions at the prices proposed within response unless noted in writing. The undersigned further certifies that he/she is an officer of the company and has authority to negotiate and bind the company named below and has not prepared this bid in collusion with any other Respondent and that the contents of this proposal as to prices, terms or conditions of said bid have not been communicated by the undersigned nor by any employee or agent to any person engaged in this type of business prior to the official opening of this proposal.

Prices are guaranteed: 120 days

Company name	Amino, Inc.
Address	44 Montgomery Street, Suite 300
City/State/Zip	San Francisco, CA 94104
Telephone No.	(415) 598-5798 #805
Fax No.	
Email address	sbimber@amino.com
Printed name	Sarah Bimber
Position with company	General Counsel
Authorized signature	Sarah Bimber
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Tab 2 – NCPA Administration Agreement

This Administration Agreement is made as of	August 16, 2021	_, by and between National
Cooperative Purchasing Alliance ("NCPA") and	Amino, Inc.	("Vendor").

Recitals

WHEREAS, Region 14 ESC has entered into a certain Master Agreement dated <u>August 16, 2021</u>, referenced as Contract Number <u>09-10</u>, by and between Region 14 ESC and Vendor, as may be amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof (the "Master Agreement"), for the purchase of Digital Healthcare Guidance;

WHEREAS, said Master Agreement provides that any state, city, special district, local government, school district, private K-12 school, technical or vocational school, higher education institution, other government agency or nonprofit organization (hereinafter referred to as "public agency" or collectively, "public agencies") may purchase products and services at the prices indicated in the Master Agreement;

WHEREAS, NCPA has the administrative and legal capacity to administer purchases under the Master Agreement to public agencies;

WHEREAS, NCPA serves as the administrative agent for Region 14 ESC in connection with other master agreements offered by NCPA

WHEREAS, Region 14 ESC desires NCPA to proceed with administration of the Master Agreement;

WHEREAS, NCPA and Vendor desire to enter into this Agreement to make available the Master Agreement to public agencies on a national basis;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the payments to be made hereunder and the mutual covenants contained in this Agreement, NCPA and Vendor hereby agree as follows:

♦ General Terms and Conditions

- ➤ The Master Agreement, attached hereto as Tab 1 and incorporated herein by reference as though fully set forth herein, and the terms and conditions contained therein shall apply to this Agreement except as expressly changed or modified by this Agreement.
- ➤ NCPA shall be afforded all of the rights, privileges and indemnifications afforded to Region 14 ESC under the Master Agreement, and such rights, privileges and indemnifications shall accrue and apply with equal effect to NCPA under this Agreement including, but not limited to, the Vendor's obligation to provide appropriate insurance and certain indemnifications to Region 14 ESC.
- ➤ Vendor shall perform all duties, responsibilities and obligations required under the Master Agreement in the time and manner specified by the Master Agreement.
- ➤ NCPA shall perform all of its duties, responsibilities, and obligations as administrator of purchases under the Master Agreement as set forth herein, and Vendor acknowledges that NCPA shall act in the capacity of administrator of purchases under the Master Agreement.
- ➤ With respect to any purchases made by Region 14 ESC or any Public Agency pursuant to the Master Agreement, NCPA (a) shall not be construed as a dealer, re-marketer, representative, partner, or agent of any type of Vendor, Region 14 ESC, or such Public Agency, (b) shall not be obligated, liable or responsible (i) for any orders made by Region

14 ESC, any Public Agency or any employee of Region 14 ESC or Public Agency under the Master Agreement, or (ii) for any payments required to be made with respect to such order, and (c) shall not be obligated, liable or responsible for any failure by the Public Agency to (i) comply with procedures or requirements of applicable law, or (ii) obtain the due authorization and approval necessary to purchase under the Master Agreement. NCPA makes no representations or guaranties with respect to any minimum purchases required to be made by Region 14 ESC, any Public Agency, or any employee of Region 14 ESC or Public Agency under this Agreement or the Master Agreement.

> The Public Agency participating in the NCPA contract and Vendor may enter into a separate supplemental agreement to further define the level of service requirements over and above the minimum defined in this contract i.e. invoice requirements, ordering requirements, specialized delivery, etc. Any supplemental agreement developed as a result of this contract is exclusively between the Public Agency and Vendor. NCPA, its agents, members and employees shall not be made party to any claim for breach of such agreement.

♦ Term of Agreement

This Agreement shall be in effect so long as the Master Agreement remains in effect, provided, however, that the obligation to pay all amounts owed by Vendor to NCPA through the termination of this Agreement and all indemnifications afforded by Vendor to NCPA shall survive the term of this Agreement.

♦ Fees and Reporting

➤ The awarded vendor shall electronically provide NCPA with a detailed quarterly report showing the dollar volume of all sales under the contract for the previous quarter. Reports are due on the fifteenth (15th) day after the close of the previous quarter. It is the responsibility of the awarded vendor to collect and compile all sales under the contract from participating members and submit one (1) report. The report shall include at least the following information as listed in the example below:

Entity Name	Zip Code	State	PO or Job #	Sale Amount

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➤ Each quarter NCPA will invoice the vendor based on the total of sale amount(s) reported. From the invoice the vendor shall pay to NCPA an administrative fee based upon the tiered fee schedule below. Vendor's annual sales shall be measured on a calendar year basis. Deadline for term of payment will be included in the invoice NCPA provides.

Annual Sales Through Contract	<u>Administrative Fee</u>
0 - \$30,000,000	2%
\$30,000,001 - \$50,000,000	1.5%
\$50,000,001+	1%

> Supplier shall maintain an accounting of all purchases made by Public Agencies under the Master Agreement. NCPA and Region 14 ESC reserve the right to audit the accounting for a

period of four (4) years from the date NCPA receives the accounting. In the event of such an audit, the requested materials shall be provided at the location designated by Region 14 ESC or NCPA. In the event such audit reveals an under reporting of Contract Sales and a resulting underpayment of administrative fees, Vendor shall promptly pay NCPA the amount of such underpayment, together with interest on such amount and shall be obligated to reimburse NCPA's costs and expenses for such audit.

General Provisions

- This Agreement supersedes any and all other agreements, either oral or in writing, between the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof, and no other agreement, statement, or promise relating to the subject matter of this Agreement which is not contained herein shall be valid or binding.
- Awarded vendor agrees to allow NCPA to use their name and logo within website, marketing materials and advertisement. Any use of NCPA name and logo or any form of publicity regarding this contract by awarded vendor must have prior approval from NCPA.
- If any action at law or in equity is brought to enforce or interpret the provisions of this Agreement or to recover any administrative fee and accrued interest, the prevailing party shall be entitled to reasonable attorney's fees and costs in addition to any other relief to which such party may be entitled.
- Neither this Agreement nor any rights or obligations hereunder shall be assignable by Vendor without prior written consent of NCPA, provided, however, that the Vendor may, without such written consent, assign this Agreement and its rights and delegate its obligations hereunder in connection with the transfer or sale of all or substantially all of its assets or business related to this Agreement, or in the event of its merger, consolidation, change in control or similar transaction. Any permitted assignee shall assume all assigned obligations of its assignor under this Agreement.
- This Agreement and NCPA's rights and obligations hereunder may be assigned at NCPA's sole discretion, to an existing or newly established legal entity that has the authority and capacity to perform NCPA's obligations hereunder
- All written communications given hereunder shall be delivered to the addresses as set forth below.

National C	ooperative Purchasing Alliance:	Vendor:_	AMINO, INC.
Name:	Matthew Mackel	Name:	Scott Kiever
Title:	Director, Business Development	Title:	CHE REJENSUE Offices
Address:	PO Box 701273	Address:	44 Montgomery St St 300
	Houston, TX 77270		SAN Francisa. CAT 94104
Signature:	At Arment	Signature:	Tim Ci
Date:	August 16, 2021	Date:	8/13/2021

Tab 3 – Vendor Questionnaire

Please provide responses to the following questions that address your company's operations, organization, structure, and processes for providing products and services.

- ♦ States Covered
 - > Bidder must indicate any and all states where products and services can be offered.
 - ➤ Please indicate the price co-efficient for each state if it varies.

50 States & District of Columbia (Selecting this box is equal to checking all boxes below)

Alabama	☐ Maryland	South Carolina
Alaska	Massachusetts	South Dakota
Arizona	Michigan	Tennessee
Arkansas	Minnesota	Texas
California	Mississippi	Utah
Colorado	Missouri	☐ Vermont
☐ Connecticut	Montana	□Virginia
☐ Delaware	☐ Nebraska	☐ Washington
☐ District of Columbia	☐ Nevada	☐ West Virginia
☐ Florida	New Hampshire	Wisconsin
Georgia	☐ New Jersey	Wyoming
Hawaii	☐ New Mexico	
☐ Idaho	☐ New York	
☐ Illinois	☐ North Carolina	
☐ Indiana	☐ North Dakota	
□ Iowa	Ohio	
Kansas	Oklahoma	
☐ Kentucky	Oregon	
Louisiana	☐ Pennsylvania	
Maine	Rhode Island	

☐ AllUSTerritories and Outlying Areas	(Selectingthisboxisequa	alto checking all boxes below)
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Federated States of Micronesia	Puerto Rico	
Guam	U.S. Virgin Islands	
Midway Islands		
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 Historically Underutilized Business 		
Respondent Certifies that thResidency	nis firm is a HUB	
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Distribution Channel		
Authorized Distributor Man	tion in the distribution iffied education/governm ufacturer marketing throu er:	entreseller igh reseller
 Processing Information 		
Provide company contact information for	the following:	
 Sales Reports / Accounts Payable 		
Contact Person: <u>Matthew Ky</u> Title: Senior Accounting Ma		
Company: Amino, Inc.		
Address: 44 Montgomery Str		
City: San Francisco		
Phone: <u>310-658-6637</u>		

Purch	nase Orders		
	Contact Person: Matthew Kw	vong	
	Title: Senior Accounting Ma	nager	
	Company:Amino, Inc		
	Address: 44 Montgomery Str	reet, Suite 300	
	City: San Francisco	State: <u>CA</u>	_ Zip:94104
	Phone: <u>310-658-6637</u>	Email: <u>mkwong@a</u>	mino.com
Sales	and Marketing		
	Control Donor D. O. 1		
	Contact Person: Pam Oberly		
	Title:RVP, Sales		
	Company: Amino, Inc.		
	Address: 44 Montgomery Str		
	City: San Francisco	_ State: CA	_ Zip: <u>94104</u>
	Phone: 303-570-0989	Email: <u>poberly@am</u>	ino.com
Pricing Information	tion		
In addition to	o the current typical unit pricin	ng furnished herein, the Vend	dor agrees to offer
all future pro	oduct introductions at prices th	nat are proportionate to Con	tract Pricing.
If ans	wer is no, attach a statement de	etailing how pricing for NCPA	A participants
would	d be calculated for future prod	uct introductions.	
	¥Yes	☐ No	
Pricing subm	$\operatorname{nitted}\operatorname{includes}\operatorname{the}\operatorname{required}\operatorname{NC}$	PA administrative fee. The N	NCPAfeeis
calculated ba	ased on the invoice price to the	e customer.	
	Yes	☐ No	
Vendor will j	provide additional discounts f		quantity.
	Yes	☐ No	

Tab 4 – Vendor Profile

Please provide the following information about your company:

♦ Company's official registered name.

Amino, Inc.

• Brief history of your company, including the year it was established.

Amino was founded in 2013 on the principal that U.S. consumers deserve convenient access to high -value, in-network healthcare. With a background in data-driven consumer technology, Amino's founders saw an opportunity to bring convenience, personalization, and smart decision guidance to healthcare consumers using the power of data and good design.

Amino spent the first two years building and analyzing an unprecedented database of 20 billion deidentified health insurance claims — the largest healthcare claims database in the country — and creating the algorithms that now power Amino's Guidance product. This database is the foundation of Smart Match, which uses multiple indicators of cost and quality to identify and guide members to high value providers and facilities for their specific plan.

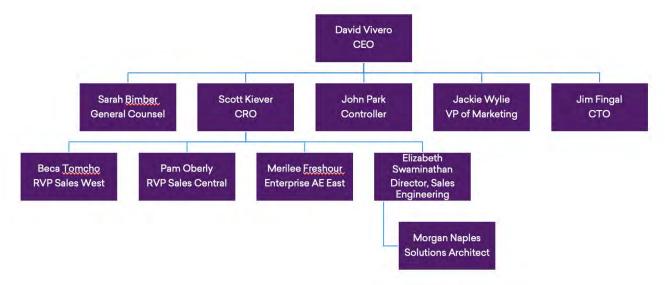
Amino's Guidance product publicly launched in October 2015 with open access on the web to help us rapidly test and optimize our user experience. Amino grew to two million monthly users through partnerships with Healthline, American Liver Foundation, and 20 other non-profit organizations. These early users enabled rapid testing, learning, and iteration as demonstrated by an expansion in provider search features, cost ratings, and quality metrics.

In early 2017, Amino began offering the platform to employers as an employee benefit. Amino has grown to nearly 2,000 employer customers, with several TPAs and benefits administration platforms also sponsoring Amino as an employee benefit for their self-insured clients. In total, Amino has more than 1M members under contract and a 95% renewal rate from 2018 to 2020. The value of Amino was recognized by a #1 rating from Consumer Reports and maintains a member NPS of 80.

♦ Company's Dun & Bradstreet (D&B) number.

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♦ Company's organizational chart of those individuals that would be involved in the contract.



- ♦ Corporate office location.
- 44 Montgomery Street, Suite 300, San Francisco, CA 94104
 - ➤ List the number of sales and services offices for states being bid in solicitation. Amino encourages all employees to work from home. As such, all sales and service offices are remote. We currently reside in over 15 states.
 - List the names of key contacts at each with title, address, phone and e-mail address.
 - Scott Kiever, CRO, Lake Tahoe, NV 89449, 503-302-0895, skiever@amino.com
 - Pam Oberly, RVP Sales, Steamboat Springs, CO 80487, 303-868-4222, poberly@amino.com
 - Merilee Freshour, RVP Sales, Charleston, SC 29414, 843-408-7260, mfreshour@amino.com
 - Beca Tomcho, RVP Sales, San Diego, CA, 92131, 858-395-3737, btomcho@amino.com
 - Cory Freshour, Director of Customer Operations, Atlanta, GA, 843-709-7177, <u>cfreshour@amino.com</u>
 - Frank Zellner, Implementation Consultant, Minneapolis, MN 55413, 952-693-6628, fzellner@amino.com
 - Sarah Bimber, General Counsel, Portland, OR 97035, 415-598-5798 x805, sbimber@amino.com
- ♦ Define your standard terms of payment. Customer shall pay all amounts in full within thirty (30) days of receipt of an invoice. All amounts are in United States dollars.

• What differentiates your company from competitors?

There are many ways in which Amino is differentiated from the market; however, the items below are where Amino really stands out:

- 1. Amino's data warehouse utilizes over 19 Billion Claims which drive our ability to calculate both quality and cost for physicians and facilities.
- 2. Best-in-Class User Experience Consumer Reports awarded Amino as the "Best User Experience" in our space.
- 3. Efficient and Streamlined Implementation Implementations range from 4-6 weeks, require minimal effort from the Employer, with no setup fee unless custom work is required.
- 4. Measurable Savings Typical client savings range from 6-10x the cost of the Amino Service on an annual basis.
- 5. Easily direct members to all medical benefits, such as telemedicine and chronic condition solutions, within the platform.
- 6. Partnership Mentality The Amino team believes that our customers are more than just users of our software. They are invaluable partners that help shape the future of the Amino platform and we take pride in partnership with our customers to ensure that employees have the best experience possible when searching for and booking care.
- ◆ Describe how your company will market this contract if awarded.

 Amino will work with the NCPA team to develop a co-marketing plan. Potential announcement formats include a press release, social posts, website content, and a co-hosted webinar for NCPA members introducing the solution.
- Describe how you intend to introduce NCPA to your company.

We will present our relationship in our weekly all company meeting announcing the exciting news. We will also post information on the contract on our internal employee webpage.

- ◆ Describe your firm's capabilities and functionality of your on-line catalog / ordering website.

 Amino is a healthcare guidance platform and serves to ensure that members of your health plan can find high quality and cost effective physicians. Amino supports online booking with healthcare physicians but does not have an online catalog or ordering website.
- Describe your company's Customer Service Department (hours of operation, number of service centers, etc.)

Customers are assigned a Customer Success Manager (CSM) who is responsible for the Amino partnership. The CSM will suggest engagement activities, provide member marketing materials, and review usage analytics on a regular cadence (typically monthly or quarterly). We have a support team that's available via phone and email if there are any technical issues. Your Customer Success Manager reports to the Director of Customer Operations. Our Operations team oversees Customer Success, Implementations, and Support.

Currently, Amino has several methods to contact our support team, including email (support@amino.com or amino-emergency-escalations@amino.com), secure messaging with Amino Booking Assistants, and help.amino.com, which provides answers to commonly asked questions. Amino maintains a positive NPS rating of 80 or greater for interactions with our Booking Assistants. Amino's member support team is available from 8am-8pm ET Monday through Friday.

♦ Green Initiatives

As our business grows, we want to make sure we minimize our impact on the Earth's climate. We are taking every step we can to implement innovative and responsible environmental practices throughout NCPA to reduce our carbon footprint, reduce waste,

energy conservation, ensure efficient computing and much more. To that effort we ask respondents to provide their companies environmental policy and/or green initiative.

Because we are (and have been for almost 2 years) a remote company, we are able to keep a much smaller footprint than if we had folks commuting to and from an office regularly. While we prepare to return to more regular business travel, we are looking to partner with organizations who can help us offset the carbon footprint of more regular air and automotive travel. We'll continue to work partnerships like this into the sustainability policy we're currently creating.

- ♦ Vendor Certifications (if applicable)
 - ➤ Provide a copy of all current licenses, registrations and certifications issued by federal, state and local agencies, and any other licenses, registrations or certifications from any other governmental entity with jurisdiction, allowing respondent to perform the covered services including, but not limited to, licenses, registrations, or certifications. Certifications can include M/WBE, HUB, and manufacturer certifications for sales and service.

Amino is currently Soc 2, Type 1 Certified and is in the process of undergoing Soc 2, Type 2 Certification. We have attached our Soc 2, Type 1 Certification to this RFI response.

Tab 5 – Products and Services

- NCPA is soliciting firms that can provide the following services related to improving employee's ability to find, rate, and access healthcare providers and services included in their health insurance plans. The focus of this solicitation is to find demonstrated methods to reduce the cost of healthcare provision by getting the most useful information on providers, services, and quality into the hands of employees so they can make optimal health decisions.
- The following is a list of suggested (but not limited to) Digital Healthcare Guidance requirements. The successful respondent will provide programs and services that include but are not limited to these requirements:
 - ➤ Provides a centralized, convenient and efficient method for members to access high quality and cost-effective healthcare services.

Yes, the most convenient way for members to evaluate providers is using Smart Match recommendations. When a provider is listed as a Smart Match that means that they are innetwork, high quality and cost-effective. If Amino designates a Smart Match provider, members can feel confident that the doctor or facility is high-quality, cost-efficient, experienced, safe, and in-network. If Smart Matches aren't available for a given search topic or geography, members can review individual provider profiles to explore cost ratings, quality scores, hospital safety ratings, consumer reviews, experience, and credentials

- ➤ Provides easy access booking services through live booking agents and secure messaging. Yes, one of the most convenient features of the Amino platform, is the ability to book directly through the platform. Amino's Booking Agents are trained to provide guidance to employees and on average save employee's 45 minutes with each booking.
- ➤ Provides a tool that allows members to find care options based on geography, member demographic, type of care, medical plan and network.

Yes, when a member uses the tool to find care, it takes into consideration the member's medical plan and network, allows the member to set their geographical location, their age and gender, and the topic of care that they are searching for. The combination of these attributes drives the Smart Match results that a member will receive.

- Provides real time access to deductible and out-of-pocket spend to date. Yes, the Amino platform has real time integrations with Carriers and TPAs which allow for the display of deductible and Out of Pocket limits. Employees can easily access their progress towards these limits while using the platform.
- ➤ Demonstrates the ability for agencies to reduce their healthcare spend exposure by ensuring members make cost effective healthcare choices.

Yes, Amino guides members to Smart Match recommendations. Smart Matches are providers and facilities that are in-network, high quality and low cost. For an example, if a member needed to have a colonoscopy, they could simply use the Amino platform to find a physician in their geographical location that is a Smart Match. The Smart Match methodology not only ensures that your members are receiving top notch care, but it also

decreases the overall charged claim, because the Smart Match is also a cost-effective option.

➤ Provide a platform that guides members to the highest value healthcare setting for the care they need and rating those options by cost and quality.

Yes, the platform will guide members to Smart Matches based on the topic of care that they search for. When a provider is listed as a Smart Match that means that they are innetwork, high quality and cost-effective. If Amino designates a Smart Match provider, members can feel confident that the doctor or facility is high-quality, cost-efficient, experienced, safe, and in-network.

➤ Provides optional inclusion of employer sponsored benefits like Telehealth, targeted point solutions and other alternative care settings.

Yes, Amino incorporates integrated benefits like Telehealth, MKS Solutions, Diabetes Management solutions, etc into the search results. Incorporating these solutions within the overall platform drives engagement into these programs and furthers cost savings for the Employer. Additionally, Amino provides reporting to the Employer to identify how many times members have branched from the Amino system to the Integrated Vendor.

➤ Provides a data-driven quality score for providers and facilities to further member's ability to choose the best healthcare provider for them.

Yes, the Amino platform tracks over 200 quality metrics. These metrics are used when determining a Smart Match and are shown to the member within the provider's profile in a composite score. A provider must score an A or B in quality to qualify as a Smart Match.

➤ Provides a tool to help members estimate their costs to include negotiated plan rates, remaining deductible, co-insurance and out-of-pocket maximums.

Yes, members have access to the Coverage Calculator. This tool allows the member to choose a procedure and estimate their cost while taking into consideration their deductible, coinsurance and out of pocket maximums. This tool also highlights the estimated portion that the Employer will pay for the service.

➤ Provides agencies with monthly data showing utilization, engagement and savings opportunities.

Yes, customers of Amino will receive a quarterly Insights Report. These reports include, but not are limited to, the following metrics: Total Savings Opportunity, Number of Logins, Number of Searches, Number of Bookings, and Topics searched for.

- Provides a compliant solution with the Transparency in Coverage regulations. Yes, Amino is a compliant shoppable tool for the Transparency in Coverage regulations and will remain compliant.
- ➤ Provide a tool that allows members to quickly search for at least 1,500 different search terms to include condition, procedure and specialties.

Yes, the Amino platform supports over 1500 specialty, procedure and condition searches within the type ahead search bar. These terms range from topics as simple as back pain to specific procedures such as knee arthroscopy.

➤ Provide a tool that personalizes care recommendations to ensure that members can easily identify a physician or facility that is in-network, high quality, experienced and cost effective.

Yes, the core functionality of the Amino platform is to guide members to Smart Match recommendations. Smart Matches are determined based on the topic that the member searches for and must be in-network, cost effective and high quality. When a member chooses a Smart Match, they not only receive high quality care, but they save both themselves and the plan money.

➤ Provide a tool that allows members to invite dependents who are on their medical plan to activate an account and search for care.

Yes, Amino allows the subscriber to easily invite covered dependents to create an account, search and book for care. Members can also search, and book care, on behalf of their dependents.

- Provide a tool where members can search for a specific physician.
 Yes, the Amino tool allows members to search for a doctor by name. The doctor's profile will provide valuable information to the member like cost information, quality ratings and whether or not the doctor is in or out-of-network.
- ➤ Provide a tool that supports direct login, Single Sign on and Open ID Connect access. Yes, Amino has flexible access points based on what works best for the customer. Amino supports direct login, Single Sign On (SAML 2.0) and Open ID Connect.

Tab 8 - Value Added Products and Services

♦ Include any additional products and/or services available that vendor currently performs in their normal course of business that is not included in the scope of the solicitation that you think will enhance and add value to this contract for Region 14 ESC and all NCPA participating entities.

Included Marketing and Training:

Every Amino customer will have the opportunity to engage with an Engagement Marketing Lead to collaborate with on member engagement campaigns, required resources and collateral.

Engagement materials will include, but are not limited to:

• New Account Launch Materials

A pre-packaged set including:

3 poster designs (production not included)

3 postcard designs (production and postage not included)

Standard language announcing partnership with Amino (for customer to distribute) to tee up future communication directly from Amino to members

• Educational Video

2-3 minute overview of who Amino is, when and how members should use the platform, etc.

Quarterly Themed Content

Mental health awareness, flu season, open enrollment, etc. Includes 1 email, 1 poster design, and 1 postcard design

• Monthly Amino How-To Emails

Understand how and when to use Amino, new feature announcements, member or employer specific functionality spotlights.

Amino Refer:

Amino Refer is an easy-to-use provider search platform that helps advocacy providers, and clinicians, make high-quality, cost-effective specialty care recommendations. Driven by the same data set as the Amino Guidance platform, Refer is powered by cost, quality, and experience rating that are derived from the billions of medical claims within the Amino database. These ratings are incorporated into search results, just like the self-serve Guidance platform, to help staff effectively evaluate provider referral options for members. Amino Refer may require additional scoping and pricing.

Tab 9 – Required Documents

- ♦ Clean Air and Water Act / Debarment Notice
- **♦** Contractors Requirements
- **♦** Antitrust Certification Statements
- ♦ Required Clauses for Federal Funds Certifications
- ♦ Required Clauses for Federal Assistance by FTA
- ♦ State Notice Addendum

Clean Air and Water Act & Debarment Notice

I, the Vendor, am in compliance with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act of 1970, as Amended (42 U.S. C. 1857 (h), Section 508 of the Clean Water Act, as amended (33 U.S.C. 1368), Executive Order 117389 and Environmental Protection Agency Regulation, 40 CFR Part 15 as required under OMB Circular A-102, Attachment O, Paragraph 14 (1) regarding reporting violations to the grantor agency and to the United States Environment Protection Agency Assistant Administrator for the Enforcement.

I hereby further certify that my company has not been debarred, suspended or otherwise ineligible for participation in Federal Assistance programs under Executive Order 12549, "Debarment and Suspension", as described in the Federal Register and Rules and Regulations

Potential Vendor	Amino, Inc.
Print Name	Sarah Bimber
Address	44 Montgomery Street, Suite 300
City, Sate, Zip	San Francisco, CA 94104
Authorized signature	Sarah Bimber
Date	7/20/2021

Contractor Requirements

Contractor Certification Contractor's Employment Eligibility

By entering the contract, Contractor warrants compliance with the Federal Immigration and Nationality Act (FINA), and all other federal and state immigration laws and regulations. The Contractor further warrants that it is in compliance with the various state statues of the states it is will operate this contract in.

Participating Government Entities including School Districts may request verification of compliance from any Contractor or subcontractor performing work under this Contract. These Entities reserve the right to confirm compliance in accordance with applicable laws.

Should the Participating Entities suspect or find that the Contractor or any of its subcontractors are not in compliance, they may pursue any and all remedies allowed by law, including, but not limited to: suspension of work, termination of the Contract for default, and suspension and/or debarment of the Contractor. All costs necessary to verify compliance are the responsibility of the Contractor.

The offeror complies and maintains compliance with the appropriate statutes which requires compliance with federal immigration laws by State employers, State contractors and State subcontractors in accordance with the E-Verify Employee Eligibility Verification Program.

Contractor shall comply with governing board policy of the NCPA Participating entities in which work is being performed

Fingerprint & Background Checks

If required to provide services on school district property at least five (5) times during a month, contractor shall submit a full set of fingerprints to the school district if requested of each person or employee who may provide such service. Alternately, the school district may fingerprint those persons or employees. An exception to this requirement may be made as authorized in Governing Board policy. The district shall conduct a fingerprint check in accordance with the appropriate state and federal laws of all contractors, subcontractors or vendors and their employees for which fingerprints are submitted to the district. Contractor, subcontractors, vendors and their employees shall not provide services on school district properties until authorized by the District.

The offeror shall comply with fingerprinting requirements in accordance with appropriate statutes in the state in which the work is being performed unless otherwise exempted.

Contractor shall comply with governing board policy in the school district or Participating Entity in which work is being performed

Business Operations in Sudan, Iran

In accordance with A.R.S. 35-391 and A.R.S. 35-393, the Contractor hereby certifies that the contractor does not have scrutinized business operations in Sudan and/or Iran.

Authorized signature	Sarah Bimber 21F1D78BAACC486
Date	7/20/2021

Antitrust Certification Statements (Tex. Government Code § 2155.005)

I affirm under penalty of perjury of the laws of the State of Texas that:

- (1) I am duly authorized to execute this contract on my own behalf or on behalf of the company, corporation, firm, partnership or individual (Company) listed below;
- (2) In connection with this bid, neither I nor any representative of the Company has violated any provision of the Texas Free Enterprise and Antitrust Act, Tex. Bus. & Comm. Code Chapter 15;
- (3) In connection with this bid, neither I nor any representative of the Company has violated any federal antitrust law; and
- (4) Neither I nor any representative of the Company has directly or indirectly communicated any of the contents of this bid to a competitor of the Company or any other company, corporation, firm, partnership or individual engaged in the same line of business as the Company.

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Address	44 Montgomery Street, Suite 300
City/State/Zip	San Francisco, CA 94104
Telephone No.	(415) 598-5798 #805
Fax No.	
Email address	sbimber@amino.com
Printed name	Sarah Bimber
Position with company	General Counsel
Authorized signature	Sarah Bimber
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Required Clauses for Federal Funds Certifications

Participating Agencies may elect to use federal funds to purchase under the Master Agreement. The following certifications and provisions may be required and apply when a Participating Agency expends federal funds for any purchase resulting from this procurement process. Pursuant to 2 C.F.R. § 200.326, all contracts, including small purchases, awarded by the Participating Agency and the Participating Agency's subcontractors shall contain the procurement provisions of Appendix II to Part 200, as applicable.

APPENDIX II TO 2 CFR PART 200

- (A) Contracts for more than the simplified acquisition threshold currently set at \$150,000, which is the inflation adjusted amount determined by the Civilian Agency Acquisition Council and the Defense Acquisition Regulations Council (Councils) as authorized by 41 U.S.C. 1908, must address administrative, contractual, or legal remedies in instances where contractors violate or breach contract terms, and provide for such sanctions and penalties as appropriate.
- (B) Termination for cause and for convenience by the grantee or subgrantee including the manner by which it will be effected and the basis for settlement. (All contracts in excess of \$10,000)
- (C) Equal Employment Opportunity. Except as otherwise provided under 41 CFR Part 60, all contracts that meet the definition of "federally assisted construction contract" in 41 CFR Part 60-1.3 must include the equal opportunity clause provided under 41 CFR 60-1.4(b), in accordance with Executive Order 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity" (30 CFR 12319, 12935, 3 CFR Part, 1964-1965 Comp., p. 339), as amended by Executive Order 11375, "Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity," and implementing regulations at 41 CFR part 60, "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor."

Pursuant to Federal Rule (C) above, when a Participating Agency expends federal funds on any federally assisted construction contract, the equal opportunity clause is incorporated by reference herein.

(D) Davis-Bacon Act, as amended (40 U.S.C. 3141-3148). When required by Federal program legislation, all prime construction contracts in excess of \$2,000 awarded by non-Federal entities must include a provision for compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5, "Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Covering Federally Financed and Assisted Construction"). In accordance with the statute, contractors must be required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor. In addition, contractors must be required to pay wages not less than once a week. The non-Federal entity must place a copy of the current prevailing wage determination issued by the Department of Labor in each solicitation. The decision to award a contract or subcontract must be conditioned upon the acceptance of the wage determination. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency. The contracts must also include a provision

for compliance with the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (40 U.S.C. 3145), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3, "Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States"). The Act provides that each contractor or subrecipient must be prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion, or repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he or she is otherwise entitled. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency.

- (E) Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3701-3708). Where applicable, all contracts awarded by the non-Federal entity in excess of \$100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers must include a provision for compliance with 40 U.S.C. 3702 and 3704, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5). Under 40 U.S.C. 3702 of the Act, each contractor must be required to compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer on the basis of a standard work week of 40 hours. Work in excess of the standard work week is permissible provided that the worker is compensated at a rate of not less than one and a half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the work week. The requirements of 40 U.S.C. 3704 are applicable to construction work and provide that no laborer or mechanic must be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous. These requirements do not apply to the purchases of supplies or materials or articles ordinarily available on the open market, or contracts for transportation or transmission of intelligence.
- (F) Rights to Inventions Made Under a Contract or Agreement. If the Federal award meets the definition of "funding agreement" under 37 CFR §401.2 (a) and the recipient or subrecipient wishes to enter into a contract with a small business firm or nonprofit organization regarding the substitution of parties, assignment or performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under that "funding agreement," the recipient or subrecipient must comply with the requirements of 37 CFR Part 401, "Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements," and any implementing regulations issued by the awarding agency.
- (G) Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387), as amended— Contracts and subgrants of amounts in excess of \$150,000 must contain a provision that requires the non-Federal award to agree to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401- 7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251- 1387). Violations must be reported to the Federal awarding agency and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).
- (H) Debarment and Suspension (Executive Orders 12549 and 12689)—A contract award (see 2 CFR 180.220) must not be made to parties listed on the government wide exclusions in the System for Award Management (SAM), in accordance with the OMB guidelines at 2 CFR 180 that implement Executive Orders 12549 (3 CFR part 1986 Comp., p. 189) and 12689 (3 CFR part 1989 Comp., p. 235), "Debarment and Suspension." SAM Exclusions contains the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, as well as parties declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order 12549.
- (I) Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 U.S.C. 1352)—Contractors that apply or bid for an award exceeding \$100,000 must file the required certification. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee

of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Each tier must also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the non-Federal award.

RECORD RETENTION REQUIREMENTS FOR CONTRACTS INVOLVING FEDERAL FUNDS

When federal funds are expended by Participating Agency for any contract resulting from this procurement process, offeror certifies that it will comply with the record retention requirements detailed in 2 CFR § 200.333. The offeror further certifies that offeror will retain all records as required by 2 CFR § 200.333 for a period of three years after grantees or subgrantees submit final expenditure reports or quarterly or annual financial reports, as applicable, and all other pending matters are closed.

CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE ENERGY POLICY AND CONSERVATION ACT

When Participating Agency expends federal funds for any contract resulting from this procurement process, offeror certifies that it will comply with the mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6321 et seq.; 49 C.F.R. Part 18).

CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH BUY AMERICA PROVISIONS

To the extent purchases are made with Federal Highway Administration, Federal Railroad Administration, or Federal Transit Administration funds, offeror certifies that its products comply with all applicable provisions of the Buy America Act and agrees to provide such certification or applicable waiver with respect to specific products to any Participating Agency upon request. Purchases made in accordance with the Buy America Act must still follow the applicable procurement rules calling for free and open competition.

Required Clauses for Federal Assistance provided by FTA

ACCESS TO RECORDS AND REPORTS

Contractor agrees to:

- a) <u>Maintain</u> all books, records, accounts and reports required under this Contract for a period of not less than three (3) years after the date of termination or expiration of this Contract or any extensions thereof except in the event of litigation or settlement of claims arising from the performance of this Contract, in which case Contractor agrees to maintain same until Public Agency, the FTA Administrator, the Comptroller General, or any of their duly authorized representatives, have disposed of all such litigation, appeals, claims or exceptions related thereto.
- b) <u>Permit</u> any of the foregoing parties to inspect all work, materials, payrolls, and other data and records with regard to the Project, and to audit the books, records, and accounts with regard to the Project and to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed for the purpose of audit and examination.

FTA does not require the inclusion of these requirements of Article 1.01 in subcontracts. Reference 49 CFR 18.39 (i)(11).

CIVIL RIGHTS / TITLE VI REQUIREMENTS

- 1) Non-discrimination. In accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d, Section 303 of the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 6102, Section 202 of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 12132, and Federal Transit Law at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, Contractor or subcontractor agrees that it will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, marital status age, or disability. In addition, Contractor agrees to comply with applicable Federal implementing regulations and other implementing requirements FTA may issue.
- 2) <u>Equal Employment Opportunity</u>. The following Equal Employment Opportunity requirements apply to this Contract:
 - a. Race, Color, Creed, National Origin, Sex. In accordance with Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e, and Federal Transit Law at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable Equal Employment Opportunity requirements of U.S. Dept. of Labor regulations, "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor, 41 CFR, Parts 60 et seq., and with any applicable Federal statutes, executive orders, regulations, and Federal policies that may in the future affect construction activities undertaken in the course of this Project. Contractor agrees to take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, creed, national origin, sex, marital status, or age. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. In addition, Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.
 - b. <u>Age</u>. In accordance with the Age Discrimination in Employment Act (ADEA) of 1967, as amended, 29 U.S.C. Sections 621 through 634, and Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) implementing regulations, "Age Discrimination in Employment Act", 29 CFR Part 1625, prohibit employment discrimination by Contractor against individuals on the basis of age, including present and prospective

employees. In addition, Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.

- c. <u>Disabilities</u>. In accordance with Section 102 of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended (ADA), 42 U.S.C. Sections 12101 et seq., prohibits discrimination against qualified individuals with disabilities in programs, activities, and services, and imposes specific requirements on public and private entities. Contractor agrees that it will comply with the requirements of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC), "Regulations to Implement the Equal Employment Provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act," 29 CFR, Part 1630, pertaining to employment of persons with disabilities and with their responsibilities under Titles I through V of the ADA in employment, public services, public accommodations, telecommunications, and other provisions.
- d. <u>Segregated Facilities</u>. Contractor certifies that their company does not and will not maintain or provide for their employees any segregated facilities at any of their establishments, and that they do not and will not permit their employees to perform their services at any location under the Contractor's control where segregated facilities are maintained. As used in this certification the term "segregated facilities" means any waiting rooms, work areas, restrooms and washrooms, restaurants and other eating areas, parking lots, drinking fountains, recreation or entertainment areas, transportation, and housing facilities provided for employees which are segregated by explicit directive or are in fact segregated on the basis of race, color, religion or national origin because of habit, local custom, or otherwise. Contractor agrees that a breach of this certification will be a violation of this Civil Rights clause.
- 3) <u>Solicitations for Subcontracts, Including Procurements of Materials and Equipment</u>. In all solicitations, either by competitive bidding or negotiation, made by Contractor for work to be performed under a subcontract, including procurements of materials or leases of equipment, each potential subcontractor or supplier shall be notified by Contractor of Contractor's obligations under this Contract and the regulations relative to non-discrimination on the grounds of race, color, creed, sex, disability, age or national origin.
- 4) Sanctions of Non-Compliance. In the event of Contractor's non-compliance with the non-discrimination provisions of this Contract, Public Agency shall impose such Contract sanctions as it or the FTA may determine to be appropriate, including, but not limited to: 1) Withholding of payments to Contractor under the Contract until Contractor complies, and/or; 2) Cancellation, termination or suspension of the Contract, in whole or in part.

Contractor agrees to include the requirements of this clause in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA, modified only if necessary to identify the affected parties.

DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS PARTICIPATION

This Contract is subject to the requirements of Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 26, "Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in Department of Transportation Financial Assistance Programs", therefore, it is the policy of the Department of Transportation (DOT) to ensure that Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs), as defined in 49 CFR Part 26, have an equal opportunity to receive and participate in the performance of DOT-assisted contracts.

1) Non-Discrimination Assurances. Contractor or subcontractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this Contract. Contractor shall carry out all applicablerequirements of 49 CFR Part 26 in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts. Failure by Contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this Contract, which may result in the termination of this Contract or other such remedy as public agency deems appropriate. Each subcontract Contractor signs with a subcontractor must include the assurance in this paragraph. (See 49 CFR 26.13(b)).

- 2) Prompt Payment. Contractor is required to pay each subcontractor performing Work under this prime Contract for satisfactory performance of that work no later than thirty (30) days after Contractor's receipt of payment for that Work from public agency. In addition, Contractor is required to return any retainage payments to those subcontractors within thirty (30) days after the subcontractor's work related to this Contract is satisfactorily completed and any liens have been secured. Any delay or postponement of payment from the above time frames may occur only for good cause following written approval of public agency. This clause applies to both DBE and non-DBE subcontractors. Contractor must promptly notify public agency whenever a DBE subcontractor performing Work related to this Contract is terminated or fails to complete its Work, and must make good faith efforts to engage another DBE subcontractor to perform at least the same amount of work. Contractor may not terminate any DBE subcontractor and perform that Work through its own forces, or those of an affiliate, without prior written consent of publicagency.
- 3) <u>DBE Program</u>. In connection with the performance of this Contract, Contractor will cooperate with public agency in meeting its commitments and goals to ensure that DBEs shall have the maximum practicable opportunity to compete for subcontract work, regardless of whether a contract goal is set for this Contract. Contractor agrees to use good faith efforts to carry out a policy in the award of its subcontracts, agent agreements, and procurement contracts which will, to the fullest extent, utilize DBEs consistent with the efficient performance of the Contract.

ENERGY CONSERVATION REQUIREMENTS

Contractor agrees to comply with mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the State energy conservation plans issued under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. Sections 6321 *et seq.* and 41 CFR Part 301-10.

FEDERAL CHANGES

Contractor shall at all times comply with all applicable FTA regulations, policies, procedures and directives, including without limitation those listed directly or by reference in the Contract between public agency and the FTA, as they may be amended or promulgated from time to time during the term of this contract. Contractor's failure to so comply shall constitute a material breach of this Contract.

INCORPORATION OF FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION (FTA) TERMS

The provisions include, in part, certain Standard Terms and Conditions required by the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), whether or not expressly set forth in the preceding Contract provisions. All contractual provisions required by the DOT, as set forth in the most current FTA Circular 4220.1F, dated November 1, 2008, are hereby incorporated by reference. Anything to the contrary herein notwithstanding, all FTA mandated terms shall be deemed to control in the event of a conflict with other provisions contained in this Contract. Contractor agrees not to perform any act, fail to perform any act, or refuse to comply with any public agency requests that would cause public agency to be in violation of the FTA terms and conditions.

NO FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OBLIGATIONS TO THIRD PARTIES

Agency and Contractor acknowledge and agree that, absent the Federal Government's express written consent and notwithstanding any concurrence by the Federal Government in or approval of the solicitation or award of the underlying Contract, the Federal Government is not a party to this Contract and shall not be subject to any obligations or liabilities to agency, Contractor, or any other party (whether or not a party to that contract) pertaining to any matter resulting from the underlying Contract.

Contractor agrees to include the above clause in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with federal assistance provided by the FTA. It is further agreed that the clause shall not be modified, except to identify the subcontractor who will be subject to its provisions.

PROGRAM FRAUD AND FALSE OR FRAUDULENT STATEMENTS

Contractor acknowledges that the provisions of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986, as amended, 31 U.S.C. §§ 3801 et seq. and U.S. DOT regulations, "Program Fraud Civil Remedies," 49 CFR Part 31, apply to its actions pertaining to this Contract. Upon execution of the underlying Contract, Contractor certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of any statement it has made, it makes, it may make, or causes to me made, pertaining to the underlying Contract or the FTA assisted project for which this Contract Work is being performed.

In addition to other penalties that may be applicable, Contractor further acknowledges that if it makes, or causes to be made, a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submission, or certification, the Federal Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986 on Contractor to the extent the Federal Government deems appropriate.

Contractor also acknowledges that if it makes, or causes to me made, a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submission, or certification to the Federal Government under a contract connected with a project that is financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance originally awarded by FTA under the authority of 49 U.S.C. § 5307, the Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and 49 U.S.C. § 5307 (n)(1) on the Contractor, to the extent the Federal Government deems appropriate.

Contractor agrees to include the above clauses in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA. It is further agreed that the clauses shall not be modified, except to identify the subcontractor who will be subject to the provisions.

State Notice Addendum

The National Cooperative Purchasing Alliance (NCPA), on behalf of NCPA and its current and potential participants to include all county, city, special district, local government, school district, private K-12 school, higher education institution, state, tribal government, other government agency, healthcare organization, nonprofit organization and all other Public Agencies located nationally in all fifty states, issues this Request for Proposal (RFP) to result in a national contract.

For your reference, the links below include some, but not all, of the entities included in this proposal:

http://www.usa.gov/Agencies/State and Territories.shtml

https://www.usa.gov/local-governments