**Notice of Intent to Certify Sole Source**

**To:** Interested Parties

**From: Ellen Swoger**

 CIO, Applications

**Date:** January 9, 2023

**Re:** Sole Source Certification Number 9543 License and Maintenance Telehealth Project Management Software

**Contact Email Address:** solesource@umc.edu

**Sole Source Certification Award Details**

Regarding UMMC Sole Source Certification Number 9543 for License and Maintenance Telehealth Project Management Software, please be advised that UMMC intends to award the purchase of License and Maintenance Telehealth Project Management Software, Telehealth Service Implementation Model (TSIM), to Ignis Health, as the sole source provider.

UMMC issues this notice in accordance with Mississippi state law, policy, and procedures for sole source procurements.

Sole Source Criteria

1. Where the compatibility of equipment, accessories, or replacement parts is the paramount consideration (and manufacturer is the sole supplier).
2. Where a sole supplier’s item is needed for trial use or testing.
3. Where a sole supplier’s item is to be required when no other item will service the needs of UMMC.

**Schedule**

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| **Task** | **Date** |
| First Advertisement Date | January 17, 2023 |
| Second Advertisement Date | January 24, 2023 |
| Response Deadline from Objectors | January 31, 2023 at 3:00 p.m. Central Time |
| Notice of Award/No Award Posted | Not before January 31, 2023 |

**Project Details**

1. **Describe the commodity/service that the agency/institution is seeking to procure:**

The product is a Telehealth project management software tool that combines clinical, IT and the business side of Telehealth with management and customer relationship management. This software is in use in UMMC’s Telehealth department and this is to pay the license fees and software maintenance of the Telehealth Service Implementation Model (TSIM).

1. **Explain why the commodity/service is the only one (1) that can meet the needs of the agency/institution:**

TSIM is based on unique intellectual property owned by Medical University of South Carolina (“MUSC”) and exclusively licensed to Ignis Health by MUSC for the TSIM software. Only Ignis Health can provide the software maintenance and license fees for this product.

1. **Explain why the source is the only person or entity that can provide the required commodity/service:**

Only Ignis Health can provide the software maintenance and license fees for this product. See supporting letter from Ignis Health, Attachment A.

1. **Explain why the amount to be expended for the commodity/service is reasonable:**

The estimated amount to be expended is for the purchase of Telehealth Service Implementation Model (TSIM) Software license and maintenance is estimated to be **$75,000.00 for three years**. Please be advised that UMMC will determine if additional enhancements, upgrades, support, or equipment are within scope during the certification period and may increase the spending authority accordingly. Should Ignis Health change their name during this certification period, then UMMC will determine if a recertification is necessary. This amount is within the expected price range for these products.

1. **Describe the efforts that the agency/institution went through to obtain the best possible price for the commodity/service:**

Pricing is compared against available market intelligence and identified discounts are pursued where applicable.

**Submission Instructions and Format of Response from Objecting Parties**

Interested parties who have reason to believe that the Telehealth Service Implementation Model (TSIM) Software license and maintenance (hereafter, “Products”) should not be certified as a sole source should provide information in the Vendor Form for the State to use in determining whether or not to proceed with awarding the sole source Ignis Health. The Vendor Form may be found at <http://www.dfa.state.ms.us/Purchasing/documents/ObjectiontoSoleSourceDetermination.pdf>.

Objections must include the certification in Attachment B.

Comments will be accepted at any time prior Tuesday, January 31, 2023 at 3:00 p.m. (Central Time) to solesource@umc.edu. Responses may be delivered via email to solesource@umc.edu. UMMC WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR DELAYS IN THE DELIVERY OF RESPONSES. It is solely the responsibility of the Interested Parties that responses reach UMMC on time. Responses received after the deadline and responses that lack all required information will be rejected. UMMC reserves the right to inspect Interested Party’s commodity for comparison purposes.

If you have any questions concerning the information above or if we can be of further assistance, please contact solesource@umc.edu.

Attachment A: Vendor Correspondence

Attachment B: Objection Certification

Attachment B

**SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO**

**Sole Source Certification No. SS 9543**

**Accepted until Tuesday, January 31, 2023** **at 3:00 p.m.**

I certify that the information contained in this objection is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that UMMC will investigate all statements made in this objection and that any false or misleading information provided may result in adverse action.

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Objector Name

Objector’s title

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