**Notice of Intent to Certify Sole Source**

**To:** Interested Parties

**From: Ellen Swoger**

 CIO, Applications

**Date:** 11/21/2023

**Re:** Sole Source Certification Number **SS9611** for Digital Rehabilitation Software Platform

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

**Sole Source Certification Award Details**

Regarding UMMC Sole Source Certification Number 9611for Digital Rehabilitation Software Platform, please be advised that UMMC intends to award the purchase of the Digital Rehabilitation Software Platform to WizeCare Technologies as the sole source provider of the WizeCare Digital Rehabilitation Platform and software.

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 | November 30, 2023 |
| Second Advertisement Date | December 7, 2023 |
| Response Deadline from Objectors | December 14, 2023, at 3:00 p.m. Central Time |
| Notice of Award/No Award Posted | Not before December 14, 2023 |

**Project Details**

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

Stroke and Heart attacks are two of the world's leading causes for patient disability and functional decline. Post stroke/heart attack rehabilitation is required for improving the functional condition of patients. Adherence to home exercise programs is often challenging to patients. Using digital tools may enhance communication between patients and clinicians and improve adherence to home exercise programs. The WizeCare platform will drive higher clinical outcomes for stroke rehab patients by driving higher compliance and adherence to care, enabling rehab at home for patients who are unable to travel.

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

Wisecare is a patented digital platform developed by WizeCare Technologies to develop, monitor and evaluate the adherence of home-based exercise program by patients. It is a digital tool that will provide clinicians information about post stroke/heart attack patients who need the required rehabilitation to improve functional condition. MoveAI is a proprietary engine development of WizeCare and is designed to detect, analyze, and score patients' exercise performance in real time. WizeCare software the only platform that can develop, monitor and evaluate the adherence of home-based exercise program by patients.

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

WizeCare does not engage with external parties, distributors, or partners to sell its software on its behalf. See supporting letter from WiseCare Technologies. 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 the WizeCare digital rehabilitation software platform is $22,000.00. 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 WiseCare Technologies 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 WizeCare digital rehabilitation software platform (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 to WiseCare Technologies. 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 to Thursday December 14, 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. SS9611**

**Accepted until Thursday, December 14, 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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