

Notice of Intent to Certify Sole Source

To: Interested Parties

From: Ellen Swoger
CIO, Applications

Date: 11/29/2023

Re: Sole Source Certification Number **SS9612** for Medical Vocabulary Licenses for Healthcare Software Applications

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Sole Source Certification Award Details

Regarding UMMC Sole Source Certification Number 9612 for Medical Vocabulary Licenses for Healthcare Software Applications, please be advised that UMMC intends to award the purchase of the Medical Vocabulary Licenses for Healthcare Software Applications to Intelligent Medical Objects, Inc. (IMO) 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

Task	Date
First Advertisement Date	December 4, 2023
Second Advertisement Date	December 11, 2023
Response Deadline from Objectors	December 18, 2023, at 3:00 p.m. Central Time

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

IMO's clinical interface terminology helps to map diagnostic terminologies to medical concepts and billing codes in EPIC, UMMC's electronic health records (EHR). The aim is to help physicians more easily choose the correct medical term for their cases, which then aids in finding the correct billing code. This allows the clinician to capture the patient condition more accurately, with more familiar terms and without slowing the EPIC workflow, which in turn creates better denial percentages and aids in Account Receivables closings. The IMO medical vocabularies are regularly updated so as to be mapped with standardized vocabularies such as the international classification of diseases (ICD) and the Systematized Nomenclature of Medicine (SNOMED)

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

Intelligent Medical Objects (IMO) is the sole source provider of clinical interface terminology in the EPIC electronic health record (EHR).

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

No other vendor distributes or supports these products in the Epic EHR software. See supporting letter from Intelligent Medical Objects, Inc. (IMO), Attachment A.

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

The estimated amount to be expended is for the purchase of Medical Vocabulary Licenses for Healthcare Software Applications is \$150,000.00. 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 Intelligent Medical Objects, Inc. 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.

5. 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 Medical Vocabulary Licenses for Healthcare Software Applications (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 Intelligent Medical Objects, Inc. 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 Monday, December 18, 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. SS9612

Accepted until Monday, December 18, 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.

Objector Name

Objector's title