



**CALIFORNIA MULTIPLE AWARDS SCHEDULE (CMAS)  
DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION  
CALIFORNIA PRISON HEALTH CARE SERVICES  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

**REQUEST FOR OFFER**

**LEVERAGED PROCUREMENT AGREEMENT  
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CONSULTING SERVICES  
ISO INFORMATION SECURITY CONSULTANT  
RFO #11-060-ITS**

**QUESTIONS/STATEMENTS AND ANSWERS**

1. Question(s)/Statement(s):

“Since you're not paying for travel, is the on-site engineer required to have all of the certifications you ask for or is having the certifications spread out through our engineering team satisfactory?”

Answer(s)/Statement(s):

All proposed personnel must meet all applicable certification requirements.

Please recognize CPHCS is not seeking a team approach for RFO #11-060-ITS.

2. Question(s)/Statement(s):

“Are you allowing for some of the work to be done remotely or is on-site 'set in stone'?”

Answer(s)/Statement(s):

Consultant is expected to be an onsite resource with the possibility for occasional offsite service performance as authorized by CPHCS' Contract Manager.

3. Question(s)/Statement(s):

“Regarding Exhibit A, Task 12, Item c - 'provide estimate for remediating identified risk' - will CPHCS allow a remediation hours per risk?”

Answer(s)/Statement(s):

Please recognize a Deliverable Expectations Document and/or Deliverable Acceptance Document must be submitted by Contractor for each deliverable.

4. Question(s)/Statement(s):

“You are asking for someone with a PMP certification - does that mean that you expect us to include Project management costs as a separate part of the quote? In your worksheet you don't have a field for it.

Answer(s)/Statement(s):

No; CPHCS does not require consultant possess Project Management Professional (PMP) certification.

Please recognize Mandatory Qualifications #7 requires consultant possess security professional certifications and specialized training (e.g., Certified Information Systems Security Professional [CISSP], Certified Information Security Manager [CISM], Certified Information Security Auditor [CISA], Project Management Professional [PMP], and Microsoft Certified System Engineer [MCSE]), and applicable educational degree(s) (e.g. Management Information Systems [MIS], Computer Science, etc.).

5. Question(s)/Statement(s):

“Is there a vendor currently providing the services described in any of the three security-related RFOs (11-060-ITS, 11-061-ITS, and 11-062-ITS)?”

Answer(s)/Statement(s):

CPHCS seeks offers for new Information Technology (IT) consultant services.

6. Question(s)/Statement(s):

“Is there a specific budget for any of these RFOs?”

Answer(s)/Statement(s):

Current industry rates determine the budget for Leveraged Procurement Agreement (LPA) based solicitations.

Please recognize that all LPA based agreements have dollar thresholds.

7. Question(s)/Statement(s):

“Does CPHCS anticipate that one individual will be able to perform all the activities described in each of these RFOs?”

Answer(s)/Statement(s):

Yes; CPHCS requests a single consultant be offered for RFO #11-060-ITS.

8. Question(s)/Statement(s):

“Would CPHCS consider changing any or all of these three contracts from deliverables-based to time and materials? Many of the activities (for example, responding to security incidents, or developing disaster recovery plans) the scope and complexity of the deliverable is difficult to estimate based on the information provided in the RFOs. As a specific example, it is difficult to estimate the level of effort associated with performing risk assessments of 'existing or planned systems' without knowing how many systems are potentially involved, and the overall complexity of these systems.”

Answer(s)/Statement(s):

No; RFO #11-060-ITS seeks services to be performed on a deliverable basis.

9. Question(s)/Statement(s):

“May we submit more than one candidate for a given RFO, even if CPHCS confirms it intends to select only one individual?”

Answer(s)/Statement(s):

Yes.

However, please recognize Response Guidelines #12 requires all Offerors submit a detailed description of approach for completing the services requested including, but not limited to, roles and responsibilities of vendor personnel (i.e., individual consultant).

10. Question(s)/Statement(s):

“May we submit the same candidate for more than one of the security-related RFOs?”

Answer(s)/Statement(s):

Yes.

11. Question(s)/Statement(s):

“We believe that more than one person will need to be assigned to this contract, given the complex nature of several deliverables and especially given the need to provide timely, potentially concurrent support for 19 projects. Will CPHCS consider a team of more than one individual for this contract?”

Answer(s)/Statement(s):

Same as answer #9 above.

12. Question(s)/Statement(s):

“Is CPHCS expecting one candidate, or is a team approach acceptable?”

Answer(s)/Statement(s):

CPHCS seeks a single consultant to perform services requested by RFO #11-060-ITS.

13. Question(s)/Statement(s):

“In the section 'Project Security Requirements', how will the requirements part of the project interface, complement or potentially conflict with the other IT Security Controls and Assessment (i.e., RFO #11-026-ITS)?”

Answer(s)/Statement(s):

Consultant shall define general Project Security Requirements for use by all CPHCS IT projects.

CPHCS RFO #11-026-ITS sought security controls assessment.

14. Question(s)/Statement(s):

“In the Non-Compliance risk acceptance report section, the RFO mentions end sites: how many end sites and will remote travel be required?”

Answer(s)/Statement(s):

All requested services shall be performed within the greater Sacramento region.

15. Question(s)/Statement(s):

“In the Non-Compliance risk acceptance report section, the RFO mentions other security related activities, can CPHCS give an estimation of a percentage of time devoted to this process?”

Answer(s)/Statement(s):

Other security related activities shall be defined via Work Authorization and paid via amendment.