



DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES
DIVISION OF PROCUREMENT SERVICES
 STATE OF MAINE

PROCUREMENT JUSTIFICATION FORM (PJF)

This form must accompany all contract requests and sole source requisitions (RQS) over \$5,000 submitted to the Division of Procurement Services.

INSTRUCTIONS: Please provide the requested information in the white spaces below. All responses (except signatures) must be typed; no hand-written forms will be accepted. See the guidance document posted with this form on the Division of Procurement Services intranet site (Forms page) for additional instructions.

PART I: OVERVIEW				
Department Office/Division/Program:		MCDCP/Public Health Systems/PHEP		
Department Contract Administrator or Grant Coordinator:		Shawn Belanger Chris Moiles		
(If applicable) Department Reference #:		OIT-22-078		
Amount: (Contract/Amendment/Grant)	\$322,508.00	Advantage CT / RQS #:	RQS 10A 20220110000000000784	
CONTRACT	Proposed Start Date:	7/1/2021	Proposed End Date:	6/30/2022
AMENDMENT	Original Start Date:		Effective Date:	
	Previous End Date:		New End Date:	
GRANT	Project Start Date:		Grant Start Date:	
	Project End Date:		Grant End Date:	
Vendor/Provider/Grantee Name, City, State:		EMSystems, LLC DBA Juvare Atlanta, GA		
Brief Description of Goods/Services/Grant:		Annual Maintenance of CORES Responder Management System (RMS), CORES HAN, and EMREsource		

PART II: JUSTIFICATION FOR VENDOR SELECTION			
Mark an "X" before the justification(s) that applies to this request. (Check all that apply.)			
<input type="checkbox"/>	A. Competitive Process	<input type="checkbox"/>	G. Grant
<input type="checkbox"/>	B. Amendment	<input type="checkbox"/>	H. State Statute/Agency Directed
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	C. Single Source/Unique Vendor	<input type="checkbox"/>	I. Federal Agency Directed
<input type="checkbox"/>	D. Proprietary/Copyright/Patents	<input type="checkbox"/>	J. Willing and Qualified
<input type="checkbox"/>	E. Emergency	<input type="checkbox"/>	K. Client Choice
<input type="checkbox"/>	F. University Cooperative Project	<input type="checkbox"/>	L. Other Authorization

Please respond to ALL of the questions in the following sections.

PART III: SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

1. Provide a more detailed description and explain the need for the goods, services or grant to supplement the response in Part I.

The purpose of this agreement is to provide the Department's Public Health Emergency Preparedness program with an IT platform to manage the medical volunteer registry, emergency alerting system, and healthcare resource tracking system.

The Department's Public Health Emergency Preparedness program, as a condition of receipt of federal monies, is charged with the maintenance of a statewide volunteer registry system, which is the Emergency System for Advance Registration of Volunteer Health Professionals (ESAR-VHP). Within Maine, the ESAR-VHP implementation is known as Maine Responds. This service exists in order to pre-identify volunteer resources throughout our State, to track trainings, and credential volunteers, to facilitate background checks, and licensure verification, and during a major public health emergency response, to communicate with, deploy, and demobilize our volunteer corps. Over 2,500 volunteers are currently registered in the ESAR-VHP system, and they serve to reinforce our public health and health care systems in times of medical surge or other unusual demand. This platform also serves to house Maine Medical Reserve Corps and Maine Disaster Behavioral Health Response Team registrations – and the Department is moving to also incorporate all registrants with Maine Task Force One.

The CORES HAN module provides advanced 2-way notification to disseminate thousands of messages per hour via phone, SMS, Fax and email to notify and engage facilities 24/7 of emergency medical response operations, mass casualty support, missing persons, bed and resource availability and surge surveillance. CORES HAN also supports IPAWS, the nation's alert system, providing public safety officials with an effective way to warn the public regarding emergencies. The HAN also provides a closed-loop communication with audit trail to track mass notifications, including recipients, devices contacted, responses selected, notification time, and more. CORES HAN also ensures the Department is following The Public Health Information Network (PHIN), which helps standardize how federal, state and local jurisdictions securely exchange public health data in real time.

The CORES EMResource module provides the Department with insight into healthcare systems infrastructure capabilities to identify the hospital best equipped to treat incoming patients and monitor the current health of the community. EMResource provides an emergency resource management platform that provides real-time visibility into current emergency department status and patient throughput information, helping direct ambulances to the hospital that can best fit their patients' needs. Data reporting includes: NEDOCS calculation, patient offload times, psychiatric holds, intensive care bed holds, and Stroke, STEMI, and trauma service availability.

2. Provide a brief justification for the selected vendor to supplement the response in Part II. Reference the RFP number, if applicable.

The current Provider provides the market-dominant ESAR-VHP platform solution, known as CORES RMS. This is also Maine's current solution.

3. Explain how the negotiated costs or rates are fair and reasonable; or how the funding was allocated to grantee.

Funding was allocated to the Department through a grant Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) provided by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control (US-CDC). These costs are considered fair and reasonable in the current context of COVID-19 emergency response.

4. Describe the plan for future competition for the goods or services.

The Department does not plan to release an RFP for these services at this time.

PART IV: AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) / MAINE JOBS & RECOVERY PLAN (MJRP)

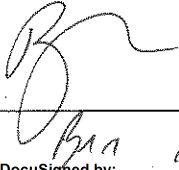
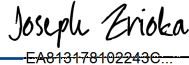
Does this request utilize ARPA/MJRP funds?

Yes – If Yes, please attach the approved Business Case(s).

No – If No, proceed to Part V

PART V: APPROVALS

The signatures below indicate approval of this procurement request.

Signature of requesting Department's Commissioner (or designee):			
Typed Name:	Ben Mann	Date:	3/7/22
Signature of DAFS Procurement Official:	 <small>DocuSigned by: EA013178102243C...</small>		
Typed Name:	Joseph Zrioka	Date:	4/7/2022