

State of Maine Procurement Justification Form

PART I: OVERVIEW

Department Office/Division/Program:		Maine CDC / Infectious Disease and Epidemiology/Lauren Gauthier		
Department Contract Administrator or Grant Coordinator:		Chris Moiles / Valerie Andreasen		
(If applicable) Department Reference #:		CD7-19-5150B		
Amount: (Contract/Amendment/Grant)	Current	\$15,000	Advantage CT / RQS #:	10A 20190507*3305
	Amend B	\$18,689		
	Rev Total	\$33,689		
CONTRACT	Proposed Start Date:		Proposed End Date:	
AMENDMENT	Original Start Date:	6/1/2019	Effective Date:	4/30/2020
	Previous End Date:	10/31/2020	New End Date:	4/30/2021
GRANT	Project Start Date:		Grant Start Date:	
	Project End Date:		Grant End Date:	
Vendor/Provider/Grantee Name, City, State:		Regional Medical Center at Lubec, Lubec, ME		
Brief Description of Goods/Services/Grant:		Hepatitis testing		

PART II: JUSTIFICATION FOR VENDOR SELECTION

Mark an "X" before the justification(s) that applies to this request. (Check all that apply.)

	A. Competitive Process		G. Grant
X	B. Amendment		H. State Statute/Agency Directed
	C. Single Source/Unique Vendor		I. Federal Agency Directed
	D. Proprietary/Copyright/Patents	X	J. Willing and Qualified
	E. Emergency		K. Client Choice
	F. University Cooperative Project		L. Other Authorization

PART III: SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Please respond to ALL of the following:

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

Maine CDC, is responsible for protecting public health from blood borne diseases such as Hepatitis B & C. Maine CDC accomplishes this in part through conducting Hepatitis surveillance, which provides Maine CDC with information necessary to determine where the highest burden areas in the State are and what the highest risk factors for transmission are. In recent years, Maine has seen a sharp increase in Hepatitis B and C cases, especially among persons who inject drugs and those who are incarcerated. In order to address the increase in Hepatitis B & C, Maine CDC has obtained grant funding from the federal CDC to increase Hepatitis B & C testing and to link patients who test positive to medical care. The Maine CDC will use this federal funding to conduct Hepatitis B & C testing and linkage to care. Regional Medical Center at Lubec (RMCL) is the largest FQHC in Washington County and is the only FQHC with a relationship with the Washington County Jail.

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This purpose of this Amendment is to extend current agreement and expand the number of tests for Hepatitis C and to link patients who test positive to medical care. The target population for this testing will be people who inject drugs, people who are incarcerated, people who are incarcerated and soon to reenter their communities, people without health insurance or Medicaid coverage, and people living 200% below Federal Poverty Guidelines.

2. Provide a brief justification for the selected vendor to supplement the response in Part II.

Healthcare facilities that are Federally Qualified Health Clinics (FQHC) are mandated to provide services to these individuals and therefore, have greater access to these high-risk individuals than other health care facilities. Regional Medical Center at Lubec (RMCL) is an FQHC that operates in Washington County (one of the highest burdens of Hepatitis B & C in the state), has three locations throughout Washington County, and has an addiction treatment program and Medication-Assisted Treatment program for people who use drugs, as well as, an ongoing relationship with an incarceration facility Maine CDC has successfully partnered with RMCL in the past and has had positive results, including RMCL providing hepatitis C testing for the Maine CDC during an illegal tattooing incident which had the potential for an outbreak to occur. The provider meets the Department's qualifications for providing this service and is willing to conduct services of this agreement.

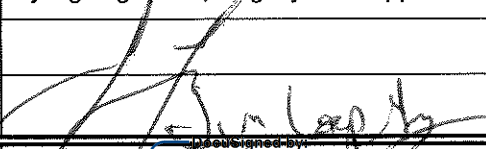
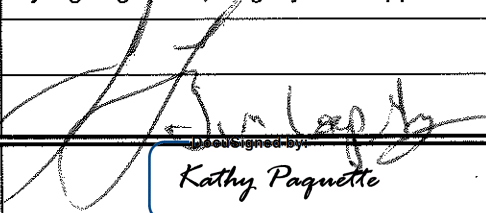
3. Explain how the negotiated costs or rates are fair and reasonable; or how the funding was allocated to grantee.

Maine CDC determined that the costs will be fair and reasonable for confirmatory hepatitis B & C testing based on the rates of the laboratories throughout the State.

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

The Department does not intend to competitively procure these services, as the contracts are awarded on a willing and qualified basis.

PART IV: APPROVALS

Signature of requesting Department's Commissioner (or designee):	<i>By signing below, I signify that I approve of this procurement request.</i>		
Printed Name:		Date:	17-July-20
Signature of DAFS Procurement Official:			
Printed Name:	Kathy Paquette	Date:	8/4/2020