

Notice of Contract Opportunity for Pharmacy Benefit Manager

PROJECT NAME: Pharmacy Benefit Manager

The Iowa Department of Administrative Services ("DAS" or the "Department") **through its vendor Truveris** is soliciting proposals from qualified pharmacy benefit management companies to provide a full-service integrated pharmacy benefit management (PBM) program for the State of Iowa. The vendor chosen must comply with all applicable laws and administrative rules governing the operation of these programs, and with all specifications of the Request for Proposal ("RFP"). DAS anticipates a three-year contract with the chosen vendor **beginning January 1, 2026**. Following the initial term, DAS may consider extensions to the contract on a year-to-year basis up to a total maximum contract period of six (6) years.

ACCESS REQUEST: To access details pursuant to this opportunity, please contact:

truBid Team

truBidTeam@Truveris.com

Except as described in the RFP, this contact is the only official contact point. Information from other sources pertaining to this RFP will not be honored and may result in disqualification.

INTENT TO PARTICIPATE DEADLINE: Vendors must request access from Truveris and submit through the Truveris tool their intent to participate no later than Thursday June 19th, 11:59pm EST.

ROUND 1 BIDDING DEADLINE: Proposals submitted in response to the Request for Proposals in this advertisement must be received by Truveris no later than **Monday June 30th, 11:59pm EST**. Late proposals will not be considered. Emailed and faxed proposals will not be considered. Full instructions are included in the RFP contained within the Truveris portal.

This request does not obligate the State to award a contract or to complete the work contemplated in this notice, or to spend the estimated dollar amount. The State reserves the right to cancel this solicitation. All expenses incurred in responding to this notice are solely the responsibility of the Respondent.

APPEALS: A Respondent whose Proposal has been timely filed and who is aggrieved by the Notice of Intent to Award of the Department may appeal the decision by emailing a written notice of appeal (in accordance with 11—Chapter 117.20, Iowa Administrative Code) to the Director of the Department of Administrative Services and carbon copy to the State of Iowa Contact Person for this RFP (Karl Wendt, karl.wendt@iowa.gov). The notice must be filed within five (5) days of the date of the Notice of Intent to Award issued by the Department, exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays, and legal state holidays. The written notice may be filed by fax transmission to 515.725.2064. The notice of appeal must clearly and fully identify all issues being contested by reference to the page, section and line number(s) of the RFP and/or the Notice of Intent to Award. A notice of appeal may not stay negotiations with the apparent successful Respondent.