

June 10, 2014

**TO:** Prospective Vendor

**SUBJECT:** Q14-36 IFB Hospital Debt Collection Services

Dear Vendor:

As part of the New York State Executive Budget, the legislature passed Chapter 56, Part Q of the Laws of 2013 (Part"Q), pursuant to which SUNY-DMC was granted procurement flexibility applicable to certain categories of procurements that are for the purpose of implementing its sustainability plan. The stated purpose of the procurement flexibility is to enable SUNY-DMC to enter into contracts in an expedited manner to facilitate implementation of the sustainability plan and resultant attainment of sustainability. The instant procurement is conducted under Part Q. Accordingly, interested vendors must commit to acting expeditiously (in complying with the requirement set forth below and otherwise in the posting). By submitted a proposal in response to the Posting, each vendor agrees to comply strictly with the timetable and other requirements described herein.

### By way of this legislation, the State University of New York- Downstate Medical Center ("SUNY-DMC") seeks to procure:

- A qualified firm to provide hospital debt collection services for its Hospital Business Office of University Hospital of Brooklyn ("UHB")

Proposals must include all the items set forth in the enclosed checklist, and arranged in the order enumerated. Any objections to the template contract must be state in your proposal. Please note, however, that the terms therein were crafted under direction from the applicable New York State SUNY-DMC policy not to incorporate separate vendor terms and conditions- should incorporation of such terms be necessary, please ensure that all terms contradictory to the template contract are stricken from your submission.

The due date for bids is June 25, 2014 by 5 PM EST and Bidders must submit 4 hardcopies bids to the following address:

SUNY Downstate Medical Center Maureen Crystal, Contracts Dept, MSC 63 450 Clarkson Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11203-2098 Fax: (718) 270-3342

Also send one complete bid via email to: maureen.crystal@downstate.edu and lisandra.reid@downstate.edu

## **Timetable**

The IFB Calendar is listed in *Table 1* below. SUNY-DMC reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to modify any event, time, or date in the IFB Calendar. SUNY-DMC will notify all Offerors (that submitted intention to bid forms) via addendum of any changes to the IFB Calendar.

Table 1 – IFB Calendar

	Event	Day	Date	Time
1	Release of IFB	Tuesday	June 10, 2014	
2	Written questions due from Offerors	Thursday	June 12, 2014	3:00 P M
3	Official response to Offerors' questions due	Monday	June 16, 2014	
4	Proposal Submission Deadline	Wednesday	June 25, 2014	5:00 P.M.
5	Vendor Award	Thursday	June 26, 2014	

Bidders must all submit a cover letter on official business letterhead with the contents specified in the Table below:

### **Cover Letter Format**

The Bidder's Cover Letter shall contain the following information regarding the Bidder's official representative for its proposal:

- Name of Bidder's official representative;
- Title:
- Name of company;
- Address;
- Telephone number;
- FAX number; and
- E-mail address of the Bidder's representative.

The Bidder's Cover Letter shall contain the names of all Subcontractors involved in the Bidder's response (if applicable).

The Bidder's Cover Letter shall contain a statement certifying that the proposal shall remain valid for at least 150 days.

The cover letter shall include a statement that, if awarded the contract, the Contractor will comply with all the requirements set forth in this RFP, including the contract terms and conditions in the Contract Provisions section, the attached Standard Clauses for all New York State Contracts, State Finance Law §§139-j and 139-k.

Sincerely,

## Maureen Crystal

Maureen Crystal, Director of Contracts 718-270-1976

### ATTACHMENTS:

Section I Part Q Procurement general Terms and Conditions

Detailed Specifications and Vendor Selection Criteria

Bidder's Cost Proposal and Certification Form

Bidder's Cost Proposal Grid. This document is available in MS Word format by request:

Send eMail request for MSWord version to lisandra.reid@downstate.edu

Section II SUNY Downstate Form Contract (13 Pages)

Exhibit A (3 Pages) Exhibit A-1 (3 Pages) BAA (15 Pages) DRA (4 Pages)

Section III Mandatory Submission Checklist for Part Q Procurement; 1 page

139 (j) & (k) Acknowledgement Form; 2 Pages

Policy and Procedure 139 (j) & (k) Forms A,B, & C; 4 Pages

Form- <u>Vendor Responsibility Questionnaire For Profit link</u>; 10 Pages Forms- Tax Certification <u>ST-220-CA (link)</u> and <u>ST-220-TD (link)</u>; 6 Pages

Consultant Disclosure Legislation Bulletin G-226 (link); 8 Pages

**MWBE Information** 

Intent to Bid or No Bid Form; 1 page

Reference Form; 1 page

# SECTION I

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## PART Q PROCUREMENT GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- I. <u>Background</u>. As part of the New York State Executive Budget, the legislature passed Chapter 56, Part Q of the Laws of 2013 ("Part Q"), pursuant to which SUNY-DMC was granted procurement flexibility applicable to certain categories of procurements that are for the purpose of implementing its sustainability plan. The stated purpose of the procurement flexibility is to enable SUNY-DMC to enter into contracts in an expedited manner to facilitate implementation of the sustainability plan and resultant attainment of sustainability. The instant procurement is conducted under Part Q. Accordingly, interested vendors must commit to acting expeditiously (in complying with the requirements set forth below and otherwise in the posting). By submitted a proposal in response to the Posting, each vendor agrees to comply strictly with the timetable and other requirements described herein.
- II. <u>Required Submissions</u>. To be eligible for consideration, prospective vendors must submit the documents listed in the attached "Submission Checklist," in the order and on the schedule set forth therein.
- III. Restricted Period/Designated Contacts. In accordance with the requirements of New York State Finance Law Sections 139j and 139k ("Lobbying Law"), the Restricted Period for this procurement is now in effect. Therefore, all communications regarding this procurement must be handled through SUNY-DMC's "Designated Contacts" ONLY. Please see the 139(j) & (k) Acknowledgement Form for Designated Contact(s) and additional information on Lobbying Law compliance.
- IV. <u>The Contract</u>. Pursuant to applicable regulatory requirements, SUNY-DMC uses a standard form agreement that incorporates various mandatory New York State contract terms. A copy of the SUNY-DMC form agreement (the "Form Agreement") is attached for reference.
  - a. *Contract Exhibits*. The contract ultimately awarded as a result of this Posting will include the following:
    - i. SUNY Exhibits A and A-1 and Attachment A:
    - ii. SUNY-DMC's Deficit Reduction Act Appendix;
    - iii. SUNY-DMC's standard Business Associates Agreement (if applicable);
    - iv. The Posting; and
    - v. Prevailing vendor's proposal (submitted in response to the Posting).
  - b. *Exceptions to the Form Agreement*. Given both the need to act expeditiously and the regulatory foundation for the provisions of the Form Agreement, SUNY-DMC implores vendors to accept the terms thereof without exception. However, in the event a vendor identifies clause(s) that are unacceptable, the vendor shall submit a list of exceptions (along with proposed revisions thereto) along with its proposal.
    - i. *Mandatory Clauses*. Notwithstanding the foregoing, there are certain clauses that are required, without exception. Those clauses include, without limitation, liability, indemnity,
  - c. *Vendor Contracts*. Given the need to act expeditiously, the basis of the Part Q procurement flexibility, SUNY-DMC's policy dictates vendor contracts generally will not incorporate vendor contracts. However, in the limited instances, where a vendor insists on using its form contract, it shall submit:
    - i. A copy of its contract (with any terms that are inconsistent with the Form Agreement either stricken or revised to resolve any such inconsistency); and
    - ii. A reasonably detailed explanation of the basis for its request to incorporate its contract (e.g. the extenuating circumstances that necessitate incorporation of the vendor contract).

SUNY-DMC reserves the right to determine, in its sole discretion, whether to incorporate the vendor's contract into the final agreement.

# **Q14-36 IFB Part Q Procurement: Debt Collection Services**

## INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

This Invitation for Bid (this "IFB") solicits offers from qualified firms for the provision of debt collection services in connection with various categories of accounts of State University of New York –Downstate Medical Center ("SUNY-DMC") on behalf of its components University Hospital of Brooklyn ("UHB"). The entity submitting proposals hereunder (the "Bidder" or "Vendor") will be required to perform all actions necessary to collect on various categories of UHB inpatient, outpatient and physician professional component services accounts. Under certain circumstances, Vendor will be required to perform, inter-alia, research and identify any third party insurance the patient may have, bill these payors on behalf of "UHB", and notify "UHB" of all insurance (s) information collected on these patients so we may update our systems.

### Statistics:

SUNY Downstate Medical Center

- 376 Licensed Beds
- 28.888 Total Discharges
- \$1.04 Billion Total Patient Revenues
- 3,600 Inpatient Surgeries
- 24,900 Outpatient Surgeries
- 1,800 Births
- 208.800 Outpatient Visits
- 27,700 Emergency Room (Not Admitted)
- 10,300 Emergency Room (Admitted)

SUNY-DMC has a dedicated unit of the New York State Attorney General's Office, Civil Recoveries Bureau. All cases recommended for litigation are directed to this unit which has the statutory authority to commence legal process.

Vendors are hereby advised that the primary objective of this IFB is to identify two (2) qualified firms that will be capable of maximizing collections at the competitive costs. SUNY-DMC will enter into contracts with the first and second ranked "responsive" and "responsible" Vendors, with ranking being based solely on cost. SUNY-DMC intends that accounts will be allocated alphabetically between such Vendors.

## **Information Systems**

Relevant to Lot 1, Hospital patient accounting (billing and accounts receivable) is provided on the software Siemens AHS Eagle 2000 products, currently maintained by Siemens Medical Systems.

Relevant to Lot 2, the professional services billing (for physician professional component accounts) is provided by an outside vendor, which vendor currently utilizes the software product "Virtual Manager". Vendors must be aware, however, that the professional services billing vendor and software product may change prospectively.

Eagle functions include all admissions (with patient and guarantor information, hospital service, financial class, physician and insurance information), discharges and transfers, and charges from the order/entry result reporting system. Insurance verifications, financial class changes, relationship and employment information, utilization review ICD9-CM diagnosis and procedure codes, and Current Procedure Terminology (CPT) are entered or interfaced to Eagle from ancillary applications and for medical records. Patient demographic information remains in the database permanently under a single medical record number that stays with the patient file for life. Case/visit related information, grouped under encounter number, has differing purge criteria based on type, service and time. Payments and adjustments are entered directly into Eagle.

# **Specific Requirements**

- **1.** The Successful Bidder(s) (the "Contractor(s)") must assist the Hospital by providing timely, accurate collection of all accounts referred. Scheduling of referrals shall be at the discretion of SUNY-DMC.
- 2. Contractor should have documented experience with the following accounts:
  - a. Motor Vehicle Accidents ("MVA")
  - b. Workers Compensation
  - c. Third Party Payor
  - d. Implant and "Carve-out" Recoveries: SUNY-DMC has contracts that provide incremental payment on surgical implants, some drugs, and other items on outpatient accounts
  - e. Small (<\$2,500) Balances
  - f. Secondary placement of Collection Accounts\_:Accounts returned from Primary Collection Agencies are transferred to secondary agencies prior to referral to Attorney General
- 3. Within 5 business days after SUNY-DMC forwards or otherwise delivers ("Places" or "places") to the Contractor(s) an account hereunder, the Contractor(s) shall provide SUNY-DMC with a detailed acknowledgment report in a format acceptable thereto. At a minimum, that report must include the following information:
  - Patient name and address
  - Hospital account number and reference number
  - Date(s) of service
  - Account balance
  - Placement date
  - Financial class
  - Total number of accounts acknowledged as received from Hospital with total dollar referral amount.

NOTE: For the purposes hereof, the "Placement Date" shall be considered the fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) business day following delivery of an account to the Contractor.

4. Each Bidder MUST provide for SUNY-DMC's review, a sample copy of all letters

- that will be sent to patients on its behalf. Only letters approved by SUNY-DMC will be used by the Contractor(s). Any new or revised letters must be reviewed and approved by SUNY-DMC prior to use.
- 5. The Successful Bidder(s) shall maintain comprehensive files for each account referred, which file must be kept in a clear and organized manner, must include a detailed record of historical collection activities performed for such account, including, but not limited to, all documents, correspondence, records of phone calls with comments, debtor payments, additional charges and collections. The Successful Bidder shall produce and provide to SUNY-DMC any and all data, information and/or reports as shall be necessary for SUNY-DMC's annual cost report. In addition, the Successful Bidder shall, upon request, make such files available to SUNY-DMC in the format required.
- **6.** Any and all payments resulting from a Contractor's efforts will be mailed directly to the SUNY-DMC in accordance with Item 11 below (See 11\*).
- **7.** Each Bidder shall be capable of providing a standard method of cross-referencing all patient account numbers with the patients' full name and address to facilitate skip-tracing, correspondence, response, and other purposes. All correspondence shall adhere to this format.
- **8.** Payments received within 10 business days after a Contractor has loaded accounts onto its system will not be eligible for commission.
- **9.** Conversely, payments received within 10 business days after a Contractor has returned an account as closed will be eligible for commission.
- 10. The Contractor(s) must either be supported by the Contractor(s)'s own computer system or be on a time-share basis with a computer support service bureau. The Contractor(s) must have the capacity to receive/transmit data to/from SUNY-DMC/UHB and have the ability to establish remote access to SUNY-DMC/UHB's system in a secured file transfer environment. Specifically, the Contractor(s) must be able to deliver files via FTP process and accept the standard American Healthware Eagle 2000 collection file/data.
- **11.**Contractor(s) must supply monthly, a listing of referred accounts, providing at a minimum the following information for each account:
  - Patient name and address
  - Hospital account number
  - Balance at time of placement
  - Present balance
  - Date(s) of service
  - Placement date
  - Account status including payment plans, where applicable
  - Amount collected
  - Actions taken by Contractor
  - Totals by Account and for all accounts referred

\*NOTE: Except as specifically required hereunder, the Contractor(s) shall not return an account as uncollectible *unless and until* every reasonable means to secure the payment and/or locate the debtor has been exhausted, with all efforts to be documented in the report delivered along with the return of the account and otherwise made available for audit by SUNY-DMC, upon SUNY-DMC's request. Any returned accounts must be identified by category as uncollectible bad debt in the following categories: Self Pay Medicare, Self Pay Medicare HMO and Other Self Pay

12. Contractor(s)'s fees will be on a contingency basis on accounts collected. The Contractor(s) will be required to submit a monthly invoice detailing the accounts collected and the applicable fee associated with each such amount collected and any other information requested by SUNY-DMC.

\*Contractor(s) recovering money and other assets due and owing to the State of New York and any of its legal entities, are required to remit the gross sums of all such recoveries and all of such assets to the agency or agencies with which they are under contract. Contractors are not permitted to withhold from such gross recoveries any sums or assets whatsoever, for any purpose whatsoever including but not limited to compensation due and owing under the contract, expenses to be reimbursed under the contract, or any other costs, fees and/or expenses. Contractors are required to recite with specificity that they will remit all recovered monies and other assets to the agency with which it is under contract, and will not withhold any sums or assets whatsoever, for any purpose whatsoever. Contractor(s) will expressly acknowledge its agreement that the withholding of any sums or assets in any amount and of nature whatsoever will constitute a material breach of the contract, allowing the state agency to elect the immediate termination of the contract, and also will constitute a prima facie default of the bond or undertaking given by the contractor as security for its faithful performance of the contract. Contractor(s) also will recite with specificity that compensation, reimbursement of expenses and any other sums due to the contractor from the state will be sought by the contractor and paid by the state solely and exclusively by way of the policies and formulas established by the Office of the State Comptroller and presently in effect for such payments, which include standard form vouchers.

Recovered gross sums will be deposited into an account in the name of the State University of New York – Downstate Medical Center. At no time will the Contractor(s) have access to the use of these sums.

- 13. The Contractor should be familiar with rules governing claiming of unpaid selfpay balances after Medicare and ensure that collection process is followed and documented. It is especially important that
  - a. There are no gaps in the collection process
  - b. A clear and specific collection protocol is documented in writing
  - c. All documentation of collection activity is readily available if

requested by an auditor in conjunction with a Medicare Bad Debt audit

- **14.** No account subsequently collected through the actions of the New York State Attorney General's Office shall give rise to a fee to be paid to the Contractor(s), unless otherwise authorized by the New York State Attorney General.
- **15.** The Contractor(s) shall remit all court awarded (e.g. Worker's Compensation or No-Fault) judgments collected and all interest earned on same directly to University Hospital.
- **16.** Intentionally Left Blank.
- 17. The Contractor(s) are strictly prohibited from, and have no authority to, enter into litigation on behalf of the SUNY-DMC. Litigation will be performed only by the New York State Attorney General's Office.
- 18. SUNY-DMC expects to receive full payment within 180 days from the placement date for outpatient accounts. Any accounts not satisfied within the prescribed time must be returned along with a letter of justification in the format required by SUNY-DMC, which letter must include, inter alia, a clear description of the reasons for such non-satisfaction (e.g. litigation), documented historical collection efforts, the category of the returned account as described hereunder and any such other information required by SUNY-DMC. Acceptance of letter of justification shall be at the sole discretion of SUNY-DMC. This letter of justification should analyze the account and indicate if litigation is recommended. Any payment agreement, between the Contractor(s) and a patient is subject to the prior written approval of SUNY-DMC, which approval shall be within SUNY-DMC's sole and absolute discretion.
- 19. SUNY Downstate has, pursuant to New York State law, emplaced a Charity Care Policy, and the Contractor(s) are expected to administer (and adhere to) this policy and provide statistics and documentation for reporting, as required by SUNY-DMC or any applicable governing body or regulatory agency. The referenced policy will be made available upon request.
- **20.** No account balance (for in-patient or out-patient accounts) may be settled without the express written consent of the Hospital's Director of Patients Accounts.
- **21.** The Contractor(s) shall not include or add interest charges or additional fees of any type to patient account balances unless such charges or fees are expressly authorized in writing by SUNY-DMC.
- **22.** The Contractor(s) files and all other records, notes or other documents related to SUNY-DMC placed accounts or other matters related to the contract resulting herefrom will be made available to the SUNY-DMC at all times.
- **23.** The Contractor(s) must identify, report, and return all accounts subject to bankruptcies and deaths, with proper documentation at no cost to SUNY-DMC.

- 24. SUNY-DMC reserves the right to recall accounts at any time for any reasons, and without charge or other liability of any sort. Examples of recall reasons may include, but are not limited to, the Contractor(s) failure to comply with applicable statutory or regulatory guidelines or excessive complaints from patients or payors. Recalled accounts may be referred to another Contractor without charge or penalty from the first Contractor.
- 25. SUNY-DMC will place accounts in electronic format and/or by hard copy.
- **26.** The Contractor(s) must supply a representative to photocopy or print records for its use at the Contractor(s)'s expense. These records shall remain confidential.
- 27. Representative(s) of the Contractor(s) with managerial authority will be expected to meet with UHB's Director of Patient Accounts or designee monthly and with the Director of Hospital/Physician Finance to discuss areas of mutual concern. Such meetings may be required and scheduled more frequently at SUNY-DMC's request
- **28.** The Contractor(s) must be able to service accounts nationwide and internationally at no additional charge to SUNY-DMC.
- 29. The Contractor(s) will, at all times, use its own material, staff, and facilities in performing collection activities. Contractor(s) organization must, at their own cost and expense, be fully equipped with all necessary technology, personnel, facilities etc. and fully staffed as required to meet and fully carry out and perform its responsibilities hereunder.
- **30.** Act, when appropriate, and as otherwise directed by SUNY-DMC, in accordance with Section 189 of the New York State Lien Law.
- 31. The Contractor(s) must, at all times, comply with, and observe the restrictions imposed by, the Federal Fair Debt Collection Practices Act and the Federal Fair Credit Reporting Act, and all other local, state and federal rules and regulations governing the Contractor(s)'s activities as well as utilize techniques that are consistent with the code of ethics and standards adopted by the American Collectors Association, as the same may be revised from time to time.
- 32. Without exception, any credit information obtained in connection with SUNY-DMC accounts placed with Contractor(s) will not be improperly disclosed, used or otherwise sold, by the Contractor(s). The Contractor(s) will not use SUNY-DMC/UHB patient data as samples or examples to be circulated to others. Additionally, the Contractor(s) shall fully comply with HIPAA Regulations attached hereto and made a part of this bid/contract as an *Exhibit* and any other regulations applicable to its performance hereunder.
- **33.** The Contractor(s) must respond within one (1) working day to specific account inquiries.
- **34.** The Contractor(s) will submit the following detailed reports with totals in the manner and at the frequency designated by SUNY-DMC:

- a. Monthly Status Report: All accounts sent to contractor that remain active, including: confirmation and an inventory of assigned accounts indicating the debtor's name, account number, date assigned, balance assigned, current total balance, last activity date, amount recovered, balance outstanding statement of the amount recovered, (status of the account) total accounts in inventory, number active, number returned and detailed reason for returning, number paid in full, number inactive, total balances assigned, total current balances, total amount recovered and percentage of recovery. The contractor shall also supply a monthly report which lists all third party payor information received, including but not limited to the following: patient name, insured's identification number, account number, insurer's name, and relationship of insured to patient social security number and address, insurer's name and address.
- b. **Uncollectible/Termination**: all accounts being returned to SUNY-DMC as "uncollectible," indicating debtor's name, account number, reference number, admission and discharge dates, date(s) of service, balance upon termination, reason for account termination, referred balance, and payments received.
- c. Liquidated Account Report: Accounts collected in full
- d. **Quarterly Cost Report:** a report utilizing the format of the Cost Proposal Form, in which the Contractor(s) shall provide summaries, which shall be updated at the frequency required by SUNY-DMC, of collection activities in each of the categories listed therein e.g. # of Assigned Accounts, Value of such accounts, Amount collected, Charges to SUNY-DMC (explaining the methodology used to calculate charges, e.g. percentage/cap).

The format of the reports will be furnished by the SUNY-DMC prior to the start date of the contract resulting herefrom; however, the Vendor should supply samples of its standard and customary report(s) with its Proposal. All reports must provided current month and calendar year-to-date data.

- 35. SUNY-DMC, the State University of New York, the New York State Attorney General, Office of the State Comptroller and/or their representatives retain the right to have access to and examine the books, documents, files, papers and records maintained by the Contractor(s) related to the collection of SUNY-DMC/UHB accounts for a period of five (5) years after the expiration or earlier termination of this contract, or such longer period as required by applicable law.
- **36.** Contractor(s) must, at all times, comply with all federal, state and local area rules, laws and regulations regarding billing and collections.
- **37.** Intentionally Omitted
- **38.** In the event an account is subject to a dispute by a patient or other representative, the Contractor(s) shall promptly: (i) notify SUNY-DMC/UHB via email and other method calculated to reach the Project Manager hereunder (or their designee), (ii) forward such accounts to such individual and (iii) suspend

- collection activities pending receipt of further instructions from SUNY-DMC.
- **39.** Upon the termination or non-renewal of the contract resulting herefrom, the Contractor(s) shall, in the manner designated by SUNY-DMC, return to SUNY-DMC all outstanding accounts regardless of status, within thirty (30) days of the effective date of such termination or non-renewal. Contractor(s) shall not impose on SUNY-DMC any additional fees in connection with files returned in compliance with this provision.
- **40.** Lot 1 :Account Placement Terms and Activities by Category:
  - a. Insurance Accounts: Outpatient/Commercial (excluding No-fault/Worker's Compensation) accounts over 120 days will be placed with the Contractor(s). For such accounts, Contractor(s) shall:
    - a. Scrupulously document all work efforts and actions taken in connection with each placed account.
    - b. Identifying previously paid accounts and promptly notify SUNY-DMC/UHB of any necessary or proposed adjustments to the SUNY-DMC's SMS system.
    - c. Return all unprocessed accounts within one-hundred eighty (180) days of placement, or request specific patient account extensions with appropriate documentation.
  - b. Workers Comp and No fault accounts (which will be placed with Contractor(s) on day 1). Contractor(s) shall:
    - a. Supply on-site resources necessary to make copies of all required clinical documentation.
    - b. Strictly in accordance with the terms hereof, and subject to the limitations herein, represent SUNY-DMC in those cases that are being contested or appealed.
  - c. All Potential Medicaid Application over 30 days. Contractor shall:
    - a. Conduct on-site and/or off-site interviews of patients or family members referred from clinical areas.
- **41.** Specifications relevant to Lot 2, Collection of Physician Professional Component Services Accounts. The following shall apply in addition to other non-contradictory specific requirements set forth hereinabove.
  - a. SUNY-DMC will place with the Contractor(s) after 90 days.
  - b. A ten (10) day grace period will be observed for return of accounts to SUNY-DMC's billing vendor.

- c. Contractor(s) shall identify a representative with managerial authority to provide liaison with UHB's Director of Hospital/Physician Finance to respond to UHB's inquiries.
- d. Contractor shall provide the following reports in the manner and the format required by SUNY-DMC:
  - a. Monthly Status Report All accounts sent to contractor that remain active, including: confirmation and an inventory of assigned accounts indicating the debtor's name, account number, date assigned, balance assigned, current total balance, last activity date, amount recovered, balance outstanding statement of the amount recovered, (status of the account,) total accounts in inventory, number active, number returned and detailed reason for returning, number paid in full, number inactive, total balances assigned, total current balances, total amount recovered and percentage of recovery. The contractor shall also supply a monthly report which lists all third party payor information received, including but not limited to the following: patient name, insured's identification number, account number, insurer's name, and relationship of insured to patient social security number and address, insurer's name and address.
  - b. Uncollectible/Termination all accounts being returned to University Hospital of Brooklyn that are non-collectible, indicating debtor's name, account number, reference number, date(s) of service, balance upon termination, reason for account termination, referred balance, and payments received.
  - c. Liquidated Account Report Accounts collected in full
  - d. Payments being reported as paid to other than collection agency should be reported with detailed, supporting documents.
- **42.** Reports must be customized by division or by physician at no additional charge.

**MISC NOTE:** In the event the bidder offers services that are not called for herein, but that are either similar in kind and nature to, or are otherwise related to, the services called for herein (Collectively, "Additional Services"), bidder should describe such services in its proposal and indicate its pricing therefor.

The contract awarded pursuant to this posting will NOT provide for the performance of such Additional Services, neither initially nor necessarily at any time during the term thereof. SUNY Downstate does, however, reserve the right to incorporate, at its sole discretion and upon notice to the contractor, any or all of the Additional Services into the contract, at any time during its term, at the pricing proposed by the bidder.

# Eligibility Criteria

In order to considered a "Responsive" Vendor eligible for award hereunder, Vendor must be capable of meeting all requirements set forth above, including those requirements listed in the Eligibility Criteria Grid (the "gird) below. To be considered Responsive, Vendor must complete the Grid and acknowledge and affirm its ability to perform in accordance with the items, requirements and other specifications listed therein by responding in the affirmative in the appropriate section(s) therein. Completed Grids must be included in the Vendor proposals. Either (1) a Vendor's failure to respond to any of the items in the Grid or (ii) a Vendor's provision of a negative response to any item in the Grid will result in the disqualification of that Vendor from consideration hereunder, as such vendor will be considered "Non-responsive."\*

Requirements	Yes	No
Vendor warrants that it currently possess sufficient staff, financial		
support, equipment and organizational capacity to direct ( without		
subcontracting) carry out and perform the services		
Vendor shall at all times, make available to SUNY-DMC adequate		
personnel to perform the Services.		
Vendor must provide a representative who will visit SUNY-DMC a		
minimum of two(2) times per month. SUNY-DMC will not provide any		
travel reimbursement to meet these criteria.		
Vendor's staff to be assigned to SUNY-DMC:		
(1) Has at least two (2) years' experience providing services AND		
(2) Is multilingual- speaking at a minimum English, Spanish and		
Haitian Creole		
Vendor has at least five(5) years' experience providing:		
(1) Services of a similar scope to those herein requested at		
hospitals of similar size and scope to SUNY-DMC, AND,		
(2) At hospitals utilizing Siemens AHS Eagle 2000 for both their		
front end and back end.		
Vendor possesses all necessary certifications and licenses to perform		
the Services		
Vendor must have the capacity to use electronic billing and describe in		
detail the capabilities of their system to meet the requirements of		
SUNY-DMC		
Vendor must have the capability to use Medicare, Blue Cross,		
Commercial and Medicaid billing systems		
Vendor is capable of delivering files via FTP process and accept the		
standard American Healthware Eagle 2000 collection file/data		
Vendor must submit its most recent audited financial statements that		
demonstrate to the satisfaction of SUNY-DMC that the Vendor is in		
good financial condition		
Vendor acknowledges its understanding of and agreement to comply		
with the terms set forth in this IFB		

# Hospital Debt Collection Services # Q14-36 IFB Cost Proposal Grid

Submitted by:	
VENDOR	NAME OF VENDOR CONTACT

Date

# **1ST PLACEMENT SERVICES**

Inpatient and Outpatient Accounts							
tem	Inpatient Accounts		Outpatient accounts		Physician Billing		
	Proposed Fee % ( As % of	Proposed Fee % ( As % of		Proposed Fee % (as %of		Proposed Fee % (as %of	
	Recovery)	Compensation Cap	Recovery)	Compensation Cap	Recovery)	Compensation Cap	
MVA at Day 1					N/A	N/A	
Third Party Payors At 120 Days							
Self- Pay at 120 Days							
Workers Compensation at Day 1					N/A	N/A	
Carve outs					N/A	N/A	
Small Balance accounts(Less than \$2,500)					N/A	N/A	

# **2ND PLACEMENT SERVICES**

tem	Inpatient Accounts		Outpatient accounts		
	Proposed Fee % (as %of Recovery)	Compensation Cap	Proposed Fee % (as %of Recovery)	Compensation Cap	
MVA at Day 1					
Third Party Payors					
Self Pay at 120 Days					
Workers Compensation at Day 1					
Carve outs					
Small Balance accounts(Less than \$2,500)					

# Hospital Debt Collection Services # Q14-36 IFB Cost Proposal Grid

Submitted by:	
VENDOR	NAME OF VENDOR CONTACT

Date

# OPTIONAL EARLY PLACEMENT( CASH ACCELERATION PROJECT) ON A CASE BY CASE BASIS

Item	Inpatient Accounts		Outpatient accounts	
	Proposed Fee % (as %of		Proposed Fee % (as %of	
	Recovery)	Compensation Cap	Recovery)	Compensation Cap
Third Party Payors at day 30				
Self Pay at 30 Days				
Small Balance accounts(Less than \$2,500) at Day 30				

SUNY-DMC reserves the right to award multiple contracts or no contract at all.

Vendor must adhere strictly to the format of the above cost proposal matrix, and shall not alter or modify it in any way.

\*Note: First placement accounts are accounts initially awarded to two vendors based on an alphabet split of accounts or at the sole discretion of SUNY-DMC

\*Note: SUNY-DMC at its sole discretion may so choose to recall accounts awarded to vendor after a period of time and place those accounts with another vendor for recovery. These accounts are referred to as 2nd placement

\*\*NOTE - the final costs must be all-inclusive. Vendor's compensation under the Contract will be limited to the rates herein proposed, which rates shall remain fixed for the term of the Contract(s) (VENDOR'S SHALL NOT PROPOSE ANY ESCALATION).

MISC NOTE: In the event the bidder offers services that are not called for herein, but that are either similar in kind and nature to, or are otherwise related to, the services called for herein (Collectively, "Additional Services"), bidder should describe such services in its proposal and indicate its pricing therefor.

The contract awarded pursuant to this posting will NOT provide for the performance of such Additional Services, neither initially nor necessarily at any time during the term thereof. SUNY Downstate does, however, reserve the right to incorporate, at its sole discretion and upon notice to the contractor, any or all of the Additional Services into the contract, at any time during its term, at the pricing proposed by the bidder.



(Proposer's Officer Signature)

# **Cost Proposal Form**

Procurement# \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

(Officer's Title)

(Date)

Vendo	or must complete and include this sheet with its respo	nse to this procurement. Attach additional sheets as necessary.
Compa	any Name:	Point of Contact:
Street	Address:	eMail Address:
City/St	tate/Zip:	Telephone Number:
		Fax Number:
the ma		o exceed cost for implementing its proposed Program in ith the terms of its Proposal (including, but not limited to
	e complete the Bidders Cost Proposal Spreadsheet (a out the entire spreadsheet and attach to this Bidder C	an Excel format document is available upon request. Certification Form, and sign below.
	sals, each party thereto) hereby certifies under penalty	oser and any person signing on its behalf (in case of joint of perjury, that to the best of his or her knowledge and
1.		endently without collusion, consultation, communication, n, as to any matter relating to such prices with any other
2.	- Y	we been quoted in this proposal have not been knowingly disclosed by the proposer prior to opening, directly or etitor;
3.	No attempt has been made or will be made by the corporation to submit or not to submit a proposal for the	e proposer to induce any other person, partnership or e purpose of restricting competition.
4.		ontract clauses contained in Exhibit "A" and Exhibit "A-roposal the proposer accepts the terms contained therein.
By:		

(Officer's Printed Name)

# SECTION II

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## Contract Number: XXXXXXX

Agency Code: 3320218

AGREEMENT (this "Agreement") made this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 201\_ by and between the State University of New York, an educational corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York and having its principal place of business located at State University Plaza, Albany, New York, 12246, hereinafter referred to as "State University" for and on behalf of the State University of New York – Downstate Medical Center, 450 Clarkson Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 11203 ("SUNY-DMC") and [INSERT CONTRACTOR'S FULL LEGAL NAME, TYPE OF ENTITY (AND, IF CORPORATION, INCLUDE THE STATE OF FORMATION), AND PLACE OF BUSINESS], a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of [INSERT STATE OF INCORPORATION], with its principal place of business located at [INSERT PRIMARY CORPORATE ADDRESS] ("Contractor").

### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, SUNY-DMC requires a qualified firm to provide certain [Insert brief (high level) description of covered services (e.g. consulting, collections)] services;

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Part Q of Chapter 56 of the Laws of 2013 ("Part Q"), **SUNY-DMC** solicited proposals for the aforesaid services by publication on its website (the "Posting"), a copy of which is annexed hereto as *Exhibit* "B" and made a part hereof;

**WHEREAS, Contractor** submitted a timely proposal, a copy of which is attached hereto as *Exhibit* "C" and made a part hereof;

**WHEREAS, Contractor** is normally engaged in the business of providing the services described above, and appears duly qualified to provide the services required by **SUNY-DMC**; and

WHEREAS, SUNY-DMC and the Contractor desire to enter into an agreement setting forth the terms and conditions by which the Contractor will perform the desired services; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the mutual covenants and promises contained herein, the parties hereto agree as follows:

- 1. The recitals set forth above are incorporated by reference as if fully set forth at length herein. Unless specified otherwise, all references to "days" herein shall refer to calendar days. All of the capitalized terms not otherwise defined below, shall have the same meanings set forth in (i) the Posting, a copy of which is attached hereto as *Exhibit B*; (ii) the Proposal, a copy of which is attached hereto as *Exhibit C*; and/or (iii) any other documents incorporated herein as exhibits hereto.
- 2. Unless terminated earlier as provided herein, the term of this shall be [State the initial term of the Agreement], (the "Term"), commencing Insert the beginning date and expiring [Insert the end date of the initial term].

- 3. **Contractor** shall provide to **SUNY-DMC** the [*Insert General Description*] services described in detail in the Posting and the Proposal (the "Services"), subject to the terms hereof.
- 4. Upon written notification by **SUNY-DMC** to **Contractor** that this Agreement has been executed and approved by all necessary parties, **Contractor** shall immediately commence performance pursuant to the terms set forth herein. **Contractor** understands, agrees and acknowledges that, except where modified by a valid amendment hereto, subject to regulatory approval, where applicable, it shall perform only the services set forth in this Agreement in strict compliance with the terms hereunder. **Contractor** shall retain responsibility for the monitoring and administration of this Agreement, including, but not limited to ensuring that any limits or other conditions on its compensation are enforced strictly, and shall notify **SUNY-DMC**, as soon as practicable, if it appears that any compensation limits will be prematurely reached. Any failure of **Contractor** to comply with the foregoing, including, without limitation, performing services beyond the scope of this Agreement and/or exceeding or otherwise deviating from any payment terms hereunder (absent a valid amendment hereto), shall be at **Contractor's** sole cost and expense
- 5. In consideration of performing the Services in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, provided that **Contractor** complies with the provisions hereof (including those governing invoicing hereunder), **SUNY-DMC** shall pay **Contractor**, in arrears, in the all-inclusive [SPECIFY BILLING PERIOD (e.g monthly, quarterly or annual)] amount of [DEFINE MUTUALLY AGREED UPON PAYMENT TERMS]

  FOR USAGE: Include rate and, if applicable, specify not to exceed limit. NOTE: *Not to exceed will only apply to Part O procurements under \$1 million*)

# **INCLUDE IN ALL CONTRACTS:**

Fees paid for which it is subsequently determined that **Contractor** was not entitled must be promptly reimbursed to **SUNY-DMC**. **Contractor** acknowledges **SUNY-DMC** may effectuate such reimbursement by subtracting such fees (due **SUNY-DMC** in accordance with the preceding sentence) from any payments that later become due to **Contractor** hereunder.

As a condition of **Contractor's** entitlement to payment hereunder, **Contractor** shall submit Proper Invoices (as defined hereinafter) to **SUNY-DMC** in the manner described hereinbelow, provided, however, that **Contractor** shall not submit more than one invoice per billing period. Each invoice shall (i) be accurate and correct; (ii) reference this Agreement (specifically, the reference number assigned hereto (and set forth at the top of the first page hereof)), (iii) include an itemized statement of all charges set forth therein as well as a detailed description of such charges, including, the specific services provided, date(s) of performance (and/or period(s) covered by such charges), identification of covered equipment/systems (e.g. model/serial number), if applicable, and any substantiating or other supporting documentation or information necessary to validate or verify the charges contained in such invoice or any other information reasonably requested by **SUNY-DMC** or the Office of the State Comptroller; and (iv) shall be submitted as follows (an invoice that satisfies the criteria set forth in (i) – (iv) above is a "Proper Invoice," collectively "Proper Invoices"):

Original to:

SUNY – Downstate Medical Center 450 Clarkson Avenue Expenditure Processing – Box #54 Brooklyn, New York 11203-2098

Copy to:

SUNY – Downstate Medical Center Director of Contracts and Procurement Management – Box #63 450 Clarkson Avenue Brooklyn, New York 11203-2098 Attention: Director of Contracts

7. Payments to **Contractor** for all undisputed charges will be rendered by the State of New York (i.e. Office of the State Comptroller) within thirty (30) days of **SUNY-DMC's** receipt of a Proper Invoice submitted in the manner described hereinabove. Payment will be remitted to **Contractor** at the following address:

## [INSERT CONTRACTOR'S NAME, ADDRESS and TAX ID#]

Payment for invoices submitted by the **Contractor** shall only be rendered electronically unless payment by paper check is expressly approved by an authorized individual, in his or her sole discretion, due to extenuating circumstances. Such electronic payment shall be made in accordance with ordinary New York State procedures and practices. **Contractor** shall comply with the New York State Comptroller's procedures to authorize electronic payments. Authorization forms are available at the OSC website at <a href="https://www.osc.state.ny.us/epay/index.htm">www.osc.state.ny.us/epay/index.htm</a>.

In the event that **Contractor** has not received payment when due in accordance with the foregoing, **Contractor** shall immediately send a certified letter to the attention of both the notice recipient hereunder and **SUNY-DMC's** Director of Expenditure Processing informing the same of the failure to receive payment (and including any supporting documentation in connection with the outstanding charges). **Contractor's** failure to comply with the foregoing may result in its ineligibility to receive any interest payments to which it may be entitled hereunder.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein (or in any exhibit hereto), timeliness of payment and any interest to be paid to **Contractor** for late payment, to the extent required by law, shall be governed by Article 11-A of the New York State Finance Law. **Contractor's** sole and exclusive remedy for **SUNY-DMC's** failure to make payments when due shall be the interest payments described in the foregoing sentence.

- 8. **SUNY-DMC** is exempt from any and all taxes related to the services provided under this agreement.
- 9. **Contractor** represents and warrants that it possesses and shall maintain in effect (and that **Contractor's** employees assigned to perform hereunder and any permitted subcontractors (and

assigned employees thereof) shall possess and maintain in effect) throughout the term of this Agreement, all permits, licenses and authorizations (collectively, "Licenses") to perform under this Agreement as required and shall obtain and maintain any additional permits, licenses and authorizations which may be subsequently required throughout the term of this Agreement by the City of New York, the State of New York, the Federal Government, and/or by any other government or regulatory authority with jurisdiction. **Contractor** shall furnish to the administrator of forms hereunder evidence of such Licenses, and shall notify **SUNY-DMC** immediately of any change in the status of the same. Failure by **Contractor** to comply with its obligations under this section shall entitle **SUNY-DMC** to terminate this Agreement immediately upon notice.

- 10. **Contractor** shall perform the Services and its obligations hereunder in accordance with the highest professional standards for such services in the New York Metropolitan area and in accordance with all laws rules, ordinances and regulations of any national, state or local government, any political subdivision thereof or any other governmental, quasi-governmental, judicial, public or statutory instrumentality, authority, body, agency, department, bureau, commission, including without limitation the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations ("JCAHO").
- 11. **Contractor** agrees to comply with the provisions contained in Exhibits "A" and "A-1" and Attachment A, all of which are attached to this Agreement and incorporated herein and made a part hereof. The term "Contractor" in the said Exhibits "A" and "A-1" and Attachment A shall be construed to denote the **Contractor** herein.
- 12. Subject to applicable disclosure laws, each party will treat as confidential any information provided by the other party that is marked as proprietary or confidential (or that reasonably should be known by the receiving party to be proprietary and/or confidential), and each party will protect the confidentiality of the other party's proprietary or confidential information using at least the same degree of care such party employs in protecting its own proprietary and confidential information (but in no event less than a reasonable degree of care). Notwithstanding the foregoing or anything to the contrary herein, Contractor acknowledges that this Agreement is subject to the New York State Freedom of Information Law ("FOIL") as set forth in Article 6 of the New York State Public Officers Law and that only Contractor's proprietary information that satisfies the requirements of section 87(2)(d) of the Public Officers Law shall be excepted from disclosure thereunder. If **Contractor** believes that any information in the Agreement constitutes a trade secret or should otherwise be treated as confidential and wishes such information not to be disclosed if requested pursuant to Article 6 of the New York State Public Officers Law, Contractor shall submit with the Agreement a separate letter specifically identifying the page number(s), line(s), or other appropriate designation(s) containing such information, explaining in detail why such information is a trade secret and formally requesting that such information be confidential. Only Contractor's proprietary information that satisfies the requirements of section 87(2)(d) of the Public Officers Law shall be excepted from disclosure thereunder. Failure by Contractor to submit such a letter with the Agreement identifying trade secrets shall constitute a waiver by Contractor of any rights it may have under the New York State Public Officers Law relating to protection of trade secrets. To the extent that litigation arises over **Contractor's** invocation (or attempted invocation) of trade secret protection, under FOIL, Contractor shall be solely responsible to respond to, and defend, the litigation; and failure to do so shall constitute a waiver of Contractor of any rights it may have under the New York State Public Officers Law relating to protection of trade

- secrets. Upon termination of this Agreement, **Contractor** shall, at its sole cost and expense, return to **SUNY-DMC** any and all confidential information of **SUNY-DMC** then in its custody or possession (regardless of the medium held or stored).
- 13. To the extent applicable, **Contractor** shall comply with the provisions of the New York State Information Security Breach and Notification Act (General Business Law Section 899-aa; State Technology Law Section 208). **Contractor** shall be liable for the costs associated with such breach if caused by **Contractor's** negligent or willful acts or omissions, or the willful acts or omissions of **Contractor's** agents, officers, employees or subcontractors.
- 14. To the extent applicable hereto, wages paid by **Contractor** (and/or by any subcontractor hereunder) for the required services shall be no less than the minimum wage rate, if any, prescribed by the New York State Department of Labor ("DOL") for the specific services applicable in the area where work will be performed. If the DOL should revise these rates prior to contract award or during the contract period, the Contractor and any subcontractors must then comply with any such new rates.
- 15. **Contractor** shall procure and maintain for the duration of this Agreement, at its own expense and at no cost to the State of New York, with insurance companies authorized to do business in the State of New York, the following types and amounts of insurance, covering all operations hereunder, whether performed by **Contractor** or a subcontractor of **Contractor**:
  - A) **Commercial General Liability** in the amount of \$1,000,000 single limit each occurrence, \$3,000,000 aggregate, to include:
    - (1) Contractor's Liability Insurance to cover all operations with respect to all services performed hereunder;
    - (2) Contractual Liability Insurance to cover the indemnification required hereunder.
    - (3) Products/Completed Operations;
    - (4) Protective Liability Insurance issued in the name of, and covering the liability of, the People of the State of New York with respect to all operations hereunder, the for the same limits as set forth above.
  - B) Workers Compensation
  - C) New York State Worker's Compensation and Disability Coverage Contractor shall submit either (i) proof (which proof must be acceptable to the Worker's Compensation Board (the "Board")) of both New York Disability Benefits and New York Worker's Compensation coverage or (ii) Certificate of Attestation of Exemption (CE-200) form(s) establishing statutory exemptions from coverage requirements (where applicable, a separate CE200 form must be submitted for Disability and Worker's Compensation). ACORD FORMS ARE NOT CONSIDERED ACCEPTABLE PROOF. Refer to the Board's website: http://www.wcb.state.ny.us/ for further information.

D) Automobile insurance (owned and non-owned vehicles) – no less than \$1,000,000 CSL each occurrence.

All insurance policies must (i) name **SUNY-DMC**, SUNY and the State of New York as additional insureds and (ii) contain a thirty (30) day written notice of any cancellation, change, or termination of coverage. All certificates must be filed with the Director of Contracts prior to commencement hereof.

- 16. To the extent applicable, **Contractor** agrees to comply with the reporting requirements arising under New York State Finance Law Section 8 and Section 163, as amended by Chapter 10 of the Laws of 2006. Further information on such requirements (including copies of the forms **Contractor** must complete to satisfy such requirements Planned Employment Form (Form A) and the Annual Employment Report (Form B)) is available via the following web address: www.osc.state.nv.us/agencies/gbull/g-226.htm.
- 17. As a result of the Iran Divestment Act of 2012 (the "Act"), Chapter 1 of the 2012 Laws of New York, a new provision has been added to the State Finance Law (SFL), §165-a, effective April 12, 2012. Under the Act, the Commissioner of the Office of General Services ("OGS") is charged with developing a "list" (prohibited entities list) of "persons" who are engaged in "investment activities in Iran" (both are defined terms under the law). Pursuant to SFL §165-a(3)(b), OGS is required to issue the initial list no later than 120 days after the Act's effective date, at which time it will be posted on the OGS website, and to update the list every 180 days thereafter.

By entering into a renewal or extension of this Agreement, **Contractor** (or any assignee) certifies that once the prohibited entities list is posted on the OGS website, it will not utilize, as a subcontractor, to perform its obligations under this Agreement, any entity identified on the prohibited entities list.

Additionally, **Contractor** understands that, during the term of this Agreement, should **SUNY-DMC** receive information that a "person" (for the purposes hereof, **Contractor** and its subsidiaries, parents, affiliates or other related individuals or entities that fall within the Act's definition of a person) is in violation of the above-referenced certification, **SUNY-DMC** will offer the person an opportunity to respond. If the person fails to demonstrate that it has ceased its investment in violation of the Act, then **SUNY-DMC** shall take such action as may be appropriate including, but not limited to, imposing sanctions, seeking compliance, recovering damages and/or declaring the Contractor in default.

**SUNY-DMC** reserves the right to reject any renewal, extension or request for assignment to an entity that appears on the prohibited entities list, and to pursue a responsibility review with respect to any entity that is awarded a contract and appears on the prohibited entities list after contract award.

18. **Contractor** and any of its agents, employees or sub-contractors engaged in the performance of the services contemplated under this Agreement shall at all times be deemed to be performing as an independent contractor, and not as an agent or employee of the **State University** or **SUNY-DMC**, and the acts and omissions of such agents, employees or sub-contractors shall be deemed to be those of **Contractor**. **Contractor** shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the **State University of New York**, the **State of New York** and **SUNY-DMC** (the "Indemnified")

and their officers, trustees, employees and agents from and against all loss, damage and expense (including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys', accountants' and consultants' fees and court costs) or other liability incurred by, imposed upon or threatened against the Indemnified in connection with any claim, suit, action, demand or judgment arising out of **Contractor's** (and/or its officers', employees' and agents'): (i) negligence or intentional misconduct; and/or (ii) failure to comply with the provisions hereof. Reciprocally, subject to the availability of lawful appropriations (as required by Section 41 of State Finance Law) and consistent with Section 8 of the State Court of Claims Act, **SUNY-DMC** shall hold **Contractor** harmless from and indemnify it for any final judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction to the extent attributable to the negligence of **SUNY-DMC** or its officers and employees when acting within the course and scope of their employment.

19. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, **Contractor** shall remain liable, without monetary limitation, for direct damages for personal injury, death or damage to real property, tangible personal property or intellectual property attributable to the negligence or other tort of **Contractor** or **Contractor**'s officers, employees or agents.

# 20. **Termination by SUNY-DMC.**

- (a) In the event of a breach by **Contractor** of any provision of this Agreement, **SUNY-DMC** shall give the **Contractor** fifteen (15) days to cure. If the breach is not remedied within the fifteen (15) day cure period, **SUNY-DMC** may, in addition to other rights and/or remedies that it may otherwise have, terminate this Agreement by giving the **Contractor** fifteen (15) days written notice.
- (b) **SUNY-DMC** may terminate this Agreement <u>immediately</u>, without penalty, if: (i) in **SUNY-DMC's** reasonable determination, **Contractor's** acts or omissions: (a) pose a danger to **SUNY-DMC's** employees, patients and/or visitors; (b) might result in the loss of any license reasonably necessary for the operation of Customer's business, including accreditations (required pursuant to contractual arrangements); (ii) **Contractor's** insurance lapses; (iii) **Contractor:** (a) makes an assignment in contravention to the terms of this Agreement and/or applicable law; (b) is or becomes the subject of a bankruptcy or similar proceeding; or otherwise (c) becomes insolvent; (iv) lawful appropriations are not made (pursuant to Section 41 of State Finance Law); (v) the certifications filed by **Contractor** in accordance with: (a) State Finance Law sections 139-j and 139-k are found to be intentionally false or intentionally incomplete; or (b) Tax Law Section 5-a, if applicable, are found to be false or incomplete.
- (c) **SUNY-DMC** reserves the sole right to terminate this Agreement, in whole or in part, for any reason, without penalty, by giving the **Contractor** thirty (30) days written notification.
- (d) **SUNY-DMC** reserves the right at any time during the performance of this Agreement to omit any portion of the work as **SUNY-DMC** may deem, in its sole discretion, necessary without constituting grounds for any claim by **Contractor** for allowances for damages.
- (e) In the event **SUNY-DMC** terminates this Agreement, for any reason, **Contractor** shall refund to **SUNY-DMC**: (i) if applicable, any compensation paid on account of any period during which **Contractor** was in breach of its obligations hereunder; and (ii) that portion of compensation already paid that is attributable to the balance of the term of this Agreement.
- (f) The foregoing termination rights shall be in addition to and not in lieu of any other or additional rights and remedies that **SUNY-DMC** may have hereunder, at law or in equity.

- 21. If at any time hereunder **Contractor** alleges breach by **SUNY-DMC** of any of the provisions hereunder, **Contractor** shall not, in any event, withhold performance under this or any other agreement it may have with **SUNY-DMC**. **Contractor** shall, instead, provide **SUNY-DMC** with notice, pursuant to provision governing notices hereunder which notice shall specifically detail the alleged breach and the remedial measure sought, and allow **SUNY-DMC** ninety (90) days to cure any such breach ("Curative Period"). In the event **SUNY-DMC** has commenced, but not completed, remedial actions during the Curative Period, **SUNY-DMC** shall confer with **Contractor** in good faith and the parties shall negotiate a reasonable extension to the Curative Period.
- 22. Upon natural expiration, or earlier termination, of this Agreement, Contractor shall (at no additional cost to SUNY-DMC): (a) perform such activities as are reasonably necessary to ensure an orderly wind-down of its activities hereunder (which shall include, at a minimum, returning to SUNY-DMC (or, at SUNY-DMC's request, to a third party (including a successor provider of the services hereunder) any materials, documents or other items held, or otherwise possessed, by Contractor for or on behalf of SUNY-DMC (or otherwise in Contractor's possession); and (b) reasonably assist SUNY-DMC to facilitate transition of the services hereunder to either a successor provider or SUNY-DMC.
- 23. The parties agree that, if by reason of strike or other labor disputes, civil disorders, inclement weather, acts of God, delays in regulatory approvals or other cause beyond the control of the parties, either party is unable to entirely perform its obligations hereunder, such non-performance shall not be considered a breach of this Agreement. The Party claiming excusable delay shall use commercially reasonable efforts to immediately notify the other Party of the force majeure condition and to mitigate the effects of the force majeure condition giving rise to the delay so as to continue performing as required hereunder as expeditiously as reasonably possible.
- 24. The **Contractor** shall keep books and records in accordance with good accounting practice and shall permit **SUNY-DMC** to examine and audit the books of the **Contractor** at the **Contractor**'s place of business, upon reasonable notice by **SUNY-DMC**.
- 25. Any notices between **SUNY-DMC** and **Contractor** must be in writing signed by the party giving such notice, and shall be either hand delivered with receipt given or sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by overnight courier as follows:

### To SUNY-DMC:

SUNY- Downstate Medical Center Director of Contracts and Procurement Management 450 Clarkson Avenue, Box 63 Brooklyn, New York 11203-2098 Attention: Director of Contracts

### To Contractor:

[INSERT CONTRACTOR'S ADDRESS FOR NOTICE RECIEPT AND NOTICE RECIPIENT'S TITLE]

- or to such other address or addressee as may be subsequently designated by notice. All notices become effective only when received by the addressee.
- 26. a. **Contractor** shall be responsible for notifying the Director of Contracts and Procurement Management, in writing, of any change of address or telephone number, notwithstanding any notification to any other department of **SUNY-DMC**.
  - b. **Contractor** shall be responsible for notifying the Director of Contracts and Procurement Management, in writing, of the appropriate address(es) to send correspondence, including renewal letters and financial documentation relating to this Agreement.
  - c. The Contracts and Procurement Management Department shall mail correspondence to the address(es) designated by **Contractor**.
  - d. The Contracts and Procurement Management Department shall not be liable for any ramifications resulting from **Contractor's** failure to comply with Items (a) and (b) herein above.
- 27. To the extent applicable, **Contractor** agrees that **Contractor** (and **Contractor's** employees and/or agents assigned to **SUNY-DMC**) shall, at all times, comply with the provisions of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act ("HIPAA") of 1996 and its implementing regulations, other applicable privacy laws as well as applicable **SUNY-DMC** policies and procedures governing the confidentiality, privacy and security of patient protected health information, as set forth in the Business Associates Agreement ("BAA"), a copy of which is annexed hereto as *Exhibit D* and made a part hereof.
- 28. **SUNY-DMC** is required by law to provide information to all of its contractors and agents regarding the Federal False Claims Act, New York State Laws regarding civil or criminal penalties for false claims and payments, administrative remedies for false claims and statements, and whistleblower protections under these laws. *Exhibit E* (the "DRA Appendix") of this Agreement satisfies this notification requirement, and by execution of this Agreement, **Contractor** acknowledges that it has received and understands the information provided therein.
- 29. Contractor shall determine, by reference to the then Current Department of Health and Human Services Offices of the Inspector General's List, the General Administration list of Excluded Individuals/Entities, and the New York State Medicaid Disqualified Provider List, whether Contractor, its employees, or any individual Contractor assigns to SUNY-DMC to furnish goods or services pursuant to the Agreement, or any individual or entity from which Contractor receives or purchases goods that it provides to SUNY-DMC, is excluded from participation in Medicare, Medicaid, or other federally funded health care programs. Contractor shall not assign to SUNY-DMC any employee or any individual that is so excluded. Prior to the assignment, Contractor shall provide SUNY-DMC with a copy of the report indicating that Contractor, the employee, individual, or entity is not so excluded. If, at any time during the term of the Agreement, Contractor, the employee, individual, or entity Contractor is excluded from participation in Medicare, Medicaid, or other federally funded health care programs, Contractor shall immediately notify SUNY-DMC of the exclusion, and SUNY-DMC shall have the option of immediately terminating the Agreement and this

Amendment, in whole or in part as necessary and applicable in **SUNY-DMC**'s sole discretion, and **Contractor** shall provide a pro rata refund to **SUNY-DMC** based on the period of time remaining in the term of the Agreement. Department of Health and Human Services Office of the Inspector General (<a href="www.oig.hhs.gov">www.oig.hhs.gov</a>), General Services Administrative List of Excluded Individuals/Entities (<a href="www.epls.gov">www.epls.gov</a>), and New York State Medicaid Disqualified Provider List (<a href="www.omig.state.ny.us">www.omig.state.ny.us</a>).

# 30. <u>Contractor's Obligations with respect to Employees On-Site at SUNY-DMC.</u>

- a. <u>Legal Compliance</u>. Any personnel assigned by **Contractor** to provide services on-site at **SUNY-DMC** shall have and maintain, for the duration hereof, any and all applicable licenses, certifications or other authorizations required by applicable law for the performance of such services. Further, such personnel shall comply with all applicable **SUNY-DMC** policies and procedures governing access to and any entry upon its premises.
- b. <u>SUNY-DMC's Right to Staff Replacement</u>. If at any time during the course of the Term, the appearance, conduct, performance, or other behavior of any of **Contractor's** employees is reasonably deemed by **SUNY-DMC** to be unacceptable or otherwise not in the best interests thereof, **Contractor** shall immediately remove such employee from **SUNY-DMC's** premises.
- c. Assignment Conditions/HR Competencies for On-Site Performance.
  - i. All personnel supplied by **Contractor** shall be and remain its employees, and, except as specifically provided hereunder, **SUNY-DMC** shall have no responsibility whatsoever as an employer with respect to such personnel, i.e. withholding social security, unemployment compensation, or any other taxes mandated by law.
  - Prior to assignment to **SUNY-DMC**, directly or indirectly, Contractor shall ensure that all of its employees have successfully completed all required medical/physical and other required examinations. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Contractor shall be responsible for: (a) screening for competence all of its personnel performing work on or about SUNY-DMC's property: and (b) providing, on an individual basis, written certification to SUNY-DMC that each employee: (1) possesses the requisite employment eligibilities work status (form I-9), education, training, physical/mental health and experience required to perform the duties of the position performed on behalf of Contractor at SUNY-DMC; and (2) has demonstrated competence in performing the duties required of the position. The foregoing health requirements shall include, inter alia, Contractor causing all of its employees assigned to duty in any SUNY-DMC facility to submit to period health examinations as required by SUNY-DMC and/or by applicable law, and submission by Contractor of satisfactory evidence of compliance with all health regulations to SUNY-DMC's Employee Health Department in accordance with its rules, regulations and standard practices.
  - iii. **Contractor** must maintain a file including documentation of the competencies of each employee working at **SUNY-DMC** and must make said file available via fax transmission or other reasonably requested medium to **SUNY-DMC's** Human

Resources Department when requested, upon four (4) hours notice. At a minimum, such file must include for each individual a written job description, a completed job application or resume detailing the individual's competencies, including copies of any license, registration, certification and/or permits; evidence that the employee has received an initial **SUNY-DMC** orientation and attended annual Mandatory Education Program; evidence that the employee has had a physical examination within the last twelve (12) month period including TB testing, chicken pox and measles testing; and completed annual competency assessments, including age-specific competencies and assessments and current, up-to-date evaluation and appraisal tools.

- Prior to assignment of an individual to SUNY-DMC, Contractor shall determine, through use of an appropriate consumer reporting agency, whether such individual has at any time been convicted of a crime under any federal or state law, and shall furnish SUNY-DMC with a copy of the report resulting from such process. In the event that the individual has been so convicted, SUNY-DMC shall determine, in its sole discretion, whether assignment of such individual is acceptable. The criminal background check performed by Contractor shall meet the following specifications: a. A Social Security Trace shall be performed to verify that provided social security number is valid. This trace will provide address records of the employee associated with the number, which shall then be used for the associated criminal records search; and b. A search shall be performed of all criminal records (felony and misdemeanor) for all counties in which the individual is known to have resided, under his or her current name as well as under any alias or maiden names assigned to the Social Security Number. Such criminal records search should extend as far back in time as the records of each particular county permit, which may vary by state and/or county. With respect to individuals assigned to SUNY-DMC continuously for a year or more, Contractor shall re-perform the checks described hereinabove at least once annually, and shall provide **SUNY-DMC** with a copy of the resulting reports.
- d. <u>Pre-employment Training/Programs</u>. **Contractor** shall ensure that all of its employees attend the required **SUNY-DMC** New Employee Orientation program, as well as all mandatory annual in-service training, including, but not limited to, Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act and Fire Safety Training.
- 31. Neither this Agreement nor any of its provisions shall be assigned, delegated, transferred, conveyed, sub-let, or otherwise disposed of without the prior written consent of **SUNY-DMC** and, where applicable, that of the New York State Attorney General and the New York State Office of the State Comptroller; and any attempts to assign, delegate, transfer, convey, sub-let, or otherwise dispose of this Agreement without said written consents shall be null and void. For avoidance of doubt, all provisions hereof shall bind any permitted successors and/or assigns of either party.
- 32. The **SUNY-DMC** Project Manager for this Agreement shall be **INSERT PROJECT MANAGER'S TITLE]**, or any other such individual as may be subsequently designated by **SUNY-DMC**. The Project Manager shall review any work plan prepared by the **Contractor**, approve activities hereunder and review and approve the **Contractor's** invoices submitted hereunder.
- 33. This Agreement is not intended to benefit any third party, nor shall any person who is not

- now or in the future a party hereto be entitled to enforce any of the rights or obligations of a party under this Agreement.
- 34. Those provisions of this Agreement that, by their nature, are intended to survive termination or expiration hereof will remain in full force and effect, including, without limitation, the following Sections: 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 18, 19, 20, 22, 24, 27, 30, 33, 34, 35, 36, and 38. Accordingly, termination of this Agreement will not adversely affect any right existing as of the effective date of termination. The rights and remedies provided under this Agreement are cumulative and in addition to any other rights or remedies available at law and in equity, and any other contract instrument or paper. If any portion of this Agreement is found to be illegal in law, all other elements of the contract will remain in full force. As the parties hereto have jointly negotiated this agreement, in the event of ambiguity, this Agreement shall not be presumptively construed for or against either party.
- 35. This Agreement includes by reference all exhibits hereto. In the event that there is a conflict between any of the terms and conditions set forth in the documents that constitute this Agreement, the following order of precedence shall apply:
  - (a) Exhibits A and A-I;
  - (b) *Exhibit D*: BAA;
  - (c) Exhibit E: DRA Appendix;
  - (d) The text of this Agreement (pages 1 through [Insert number of last page (before signature page)]);
  - (e) Exhibit B: the Posting; and
  - (f) *Exhibit C*: the Proposal.
- 36. This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York and the parties agree to bring any action to interpret, construe or enforce this Agreement in a New York court of competent jurisdiction.
- 37. Mandatory Responsibility Provisions in State Contracts.
  - a. <u>General Responsibility Language:</u> The Contractor shall at all times during the Contract term remain responsible. The Contractor agrees, if requested by the Head of State Agency or his or her designee, to present evidence of its continuing legal authority to do business in New York State, integrity, experience, ability, prior performance, and organizational and financial capacity.
  - b. <u>Suspension of Work (for Non-Responsibility)</u>: The Head of State Agency or his or her designee, in his or her sole discretion, reserves the right to suspend any or all activities under this Contract, at any time, when he or she discovers information that calls into question the responsibility of the Contractor. In the event of such suspension, the Contractor will be given written notice outlining the particulars of such suspension. Upon issuance of such notice, the Contractor must comply with the terms of the suspension order. Contract activity may resume at such time as the Head of State Agency of his or her designee issues a written notice authorizing a resumption of performance under the Contract.

- c. <u>Termination (for Non-Responsibility)</u>: Upon written notice to the Contractor, and a reasonable opportunity to be heard with appropriate Agency officials or staff, the Contract may be terminated by the Head of State Agency or his or her designee at the Contractor's expense where the Contractor is determined by the Head of State Agency or his or her designee to be non-responsible. In such event, the Head of State Agency or his or her designee may complete the contractual requirements in any manner he or she deem advisable and pursue legal or equitable remedies for breach.
- 38. This Agreement, together with all exhibits hereto, constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and all previous communications between the parties whether written or oral, with reference to the subject matter of this Agreement are hereby superseded, and may not be altered, modified or amended except by a written amendment executed by authorized officers of both parties and, where applicable, subject to the approval of the New York State Attorney General and Office of the New York State Comptroller.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused their signatures to be affixed as of the date first above written.

AGENCY CODE: 3320218

CONTRACT NUMBER: [TXXXXXX]

Agency Certification

"In addition to the acceptance of this contract, I also certify that original copies of this signature page will be attached to all other exact copies of this contract."

[INSERT CONTRACTOR'S FULL LEGAL NAME]

Print Name:

Print Name:

Print Title:

Alan Dzija

Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

The parties to the attached contract, license, lease, amendment or other agreement of any kind (hereinafter, "contract") agree to be bound by the following clauses which are hereby made a part of the contract (the word "Contractor" herein refers to any party other than the State, whether a Contractor, licensor, licensee, lessor, lessee or any other party):

- 1. EXECUTORY CLAUSE. In accordance with Section 41 of the State Finance Law, the State shall have no liability under this contract to the Contractor or to anyone else beyond funds appropriated and available for this contract.
- 2. PROHIBITION AGAINST ASSIGNMENT Except for the assignment of its right to receive payments subject to Article 5-A of the State Finance Law, the Contractor selected to perform the services herein are prohibited in accordance with Section 138 of the State Finance Law from assigning, transferring, conveying, subletting or otherwise disposing of its rights, title or interest in the contract without the prior written consent of SUNY and attempts to do so are null and void. Notwithstanding the foregoing, SUNY may, with the concurrence of the New York Office of State Comptroller, waive prior written consent of the assignment, transfer, conveyance, sublease or other disposition of a contract let pursuant to Article XI of the State Finance Law if the assignment, transfer, conveyance, sublease or other disposition is due to a reorganization, merger or consolidation of Contractor's its business entity or enterprise and Contractor so certifies to SUNY. SUNY retains the right, as provided in Section 138 of the State Finance Law, to accept or reject an assignment, transfer, conveyance, sublease or other disposition of the contract, and to require that any Contractor demonstrate its responsibility to do business with SUNY.
- 3. COMPTROLLER'S APPROVAL. (a) In accordance with Section 112 of the State Finance Law, Section 355 of New York State Education Law, and 8 NYCRR 316, Comptroller's approval is not required for the following contracts: materials; (ii) equipment and supplies, including computer equipment; (iii) motor vehicles; (iv) construction; (v) construction-related services; (vi) printing; and (vii) goods for State University health care facilities, including contracts for goods made with joint or group purchasing arrangements.
- (b) Comptroller's approval is required for the following contracts: (i) contracts for services not listed in Paragraph (3)(a) above made by a State University campus or health care facility certified by the Vice Chancellor and Chief Financial Officer, if the contract value exceeds \$250,000; (ii) contracts for services not listed in Paragraph (3)(a) above made by a State University campus not certified by the Vice Chancellor and Chief Financial Officer, if the contract value exceeds \$50,000; (iii) contracts for services not listed in Paragraph (3)(a) above made by health care facilities not certified by the Vice Chancellor and Chief Financial Officer, if the contract value exceeds \$75,000; (iv) contracts whereby the State University agrees to give something other than money, when the value or reasonably estimated value of such consideration exceeds \$10,000; (v) contracts for real transactions if the contract value exceeds \$50,000; (vi) all other contracts not listed in Paragraph 3(a) above, if the contract value exceeds \$50,000, e.g. SUNY acquisition of a business and New York State Finance Article 11-B contracts and (vii) amendments for any amount to contracts not listed in Paragraph (3)(a) above, when as so amended, the contract exceeds the threshold amounts stated in Paragraph (b) herein. However, such pre-approval shall not be required for any contract established as a centralized contract through the Office of General Services or for a purchase order or other transaction issued under such centralized contract.
- (c) Any contract that requires Comptroller approval shall not be valid, effective or binding

- upon the State University until it has been approved by the Comptroller and filed in the Comptroller's office.
- 4. WORKERS' COMPENSATION BENEFITS. In accordance with Section 142 of the State Finance Law, this contract shall be void and of no force and effect unless the Contractor shall provide and maintain coverage during the life of this contract for the benefit of such employees as are required to be covered by the provisions of the Workers' Compensation Law.
- NON-DISCRIMINATION REQUIREMENTS. To the extent required by Article 15 of the Executive Law (also known as the Human Rights Law) and all other State and Federal statutory and constitutional non-discrimination provisions, the Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed, color, sex, (including gender identity or expression), national origin, sexual orientation, military status, age, disability, predisposing genetic characteristics, marital status or domestic violence victim status. Furthermore, in accordance with Section 220-e of the Labor Law, if this is a contract for the construction, alteration or repair of any public building or public work or for the manufacture, sale or distribution of materials, equipment or supplies, and to the extent that this contract shall be performed within the State of New York, Contractor agrees that neither it nor its subcontractors shall, by reason of race, creed, color, disability, sex, or national origin: (a) discriminate in hiring against any New York State citizen who is qualified and available to perform the work; or (b) discriminate against or intimidate any employee hired for performance of work under this contract. If this is a building service contract as defined in Section 230 of the Labor Law, then, in accordance with Section 239 thereof, Contractor agrees that neither it nor its subcontractors shall by reason of race, creed, color, national origin, age, sex or disability: (a) discriminate in hiring against any New York State citizen who is qualified and available to perform the work; or (b) discriminate against or intimidate any employee hired for the performance of work under this contract. Contractor is subject to fines of \$50.00 per person per day for any violation of Section 220-e or Section 239 as well as possible termination of this contract and forfeiture of all moneys due hereunder for a second or subsequent violation
- 6. WAGE AND HOURS PROVISIONS. If this is a public work contract covered by Article 8 of the Labor Law or a building service contract covered Article 9 thereof, neither Contractor's nor the employees employees subcontractors may be required or permitted to work more than the number of hours or days stated in said statutes, except as otherwise provided in the Labor Law and as set forth in prevailing wage and supplement schedules issued by the State Labor Department. Furthermore, Contractor and its subcontractors must pay at least the prevailing wage rate and pay or provide the prevailing supplements, including the premium rates for overtime pay, as determined by the State Labor Department in accordance with the Labor Law. Additionally. effective April 28, 2008, if this is a public work contract covered by Article 8 of the Labor Law, the Contractor understands and agrees that the filing of payrolls in a manner consistent with Subdivision 3-a of Section 220 of the Labor Law shall be a condition precedent to payment by SUNY of any SUNY-approved sums due and owing for work done upon the project.

- 7. NON-COLLUSIVE BIDDING CERTIFICATION. In accordance with Section 139-d of the State Finance Law, if this contract was awarded based on the submission of competitive bids, Contractor affirms, under penalty of perjury, and each person signing on behalf of Contractor, and in the case of a joint bid each party thereto certifies as to its own organization, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of its knowledge and belief that its bid was arrived at independently and without collusion aimed at restricting competition. Contractor further affirms that, at the time Contractor submitted its bid, an authorized and responsible person executed and delivered it to SUNY a non-collusive bidding certification on Contractor's behalf.
- 8. INTERNATIONAL BOYCOTT PROHIBITION. In accordance with Section 220-f of the Labor Law and Section 139-h of the State Finance Law, if this contract exceeds \$5,000, the Contractor agrees, as a material condition of the contract, that neither the Contractor nor any substantially owned or affiliated person, firm, partnership or corporation has participated, is participating, or shall participate in an international boycott in violation of the federal Export Administration Act of 1979 (50 USC App. Sections 2401 et seq.) or regulations thereunder. If such Contractor, or any of the aforesaid affiliates of Contractor, is convicted or is otherwise found to have violated said laws or regulations upon the final determination of the United States Commerce Department or any other appropriate agency of the United States subsequent to the contract's execution. such contract, amendment or modification thereto shall be rendered forfeit and void. The Contractor shall so notify the State Comptroller within five (5) business days of such conviction, determination or disposition of appeal (2 NYCRR 105.4).
- 9. SET-OFF RIGHTS. The State shall have all of its common law, equitable and statutory rights of set-off. These rights shall include, but not be limited to, the State 's option to withhold for the purposes of set-off any moneys due to the Contractor under this contract up to any amounts due and owing to the State with regard to this contract, any other contract with any State department or agency, including any contract for a term commencing prior to the term of this contract, plus any amounts due and owing to the State for any other reason including, without limitation, tax delinquencies or monetary penalties relative thereto. The State shall exercise its setoff rights in accordance with normal State practices including, in cases of set-off pursuant to an audit, the finalization of such audit by the representatives, or the State, its Comptroller.
- 10. RECORDS. The Contractor shall establish and maintain complete and accurate books, records, documents, accounts and other evidence directly pertinent to performance under this contract (hereinafter, collectively, "the Records"). The Records must be kept for the balance of the calendar year in which they were made and for six (6) additional years thereafter. The State Comptroller, the Attorney General and any other person or entity authorized to conduct an examination, as SUNY and its representatives and entities involved in this contract, shall have access to the Records during normal business hours at an office of the Contractor within the State of New York or, if no such office is available, at a mutually agreeable and reasonable venue within the State, for the term specified above for the purposes of inspection, auditing and copying. SUNY shall take reasonable steps to protect from public disclosure any of the Records which are

exempt from disclosure under Section 87 of the Public Officers Law (the "Statute") provided that: (i) the Contractor shall timely inform an appropriate SUNY official, in writing, that said Records should not be disclosed; and (ii) said Records shall be sufficiently identified; and (iii) designation of said Records as exempt under the Statute is reasonable. Nothing contained herein shall diminish, or in any way adversely affect, SUNY's or the State's right to discovery in any pending or future litigation.

# 11. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION AND PRIVACY NOTIFICATION.

Identification Number(s). Every invoice or New York State Claim for Payment submitted to the State University of New York by a payee, for payment for the sale of goods or services or for transactions (e.g., leases, easements, licenses, etc.) related to real or personal property must include the payee's identification number. The number is any or all of the following: (i) the payee's Federal employer identification number, (ii) the payee's Federal social security number, and/or (iii) the payee's Vendor Identification Number assigned by the Statewide Financial System. Failure to include such number or numbers may delay payment. Where the payee does not have such number or numbers, the payee, on its invoice or Claim for Payment, must give the reason or reasons why the payee does not have such number or numbers.

(b) Privacy Notification. (1) The authority to request the above personal information from a seller of goods or services or a lessor of real or personal property, and the authority to maintain such information, is found in Section 5 of the State Tax Law. Disclosure of this information by the seller or lessor to the State University of New York is mandatory. The principal purpose for which the information is collected is to enable the State to identify individuals, businesses and others who have been delinquent in filing tax returns or may have understated their tax liabilities and to generally identify persons affected by the taxes administered by the Commissioner of Taxation and Finance. The information will be used for tax administration purposes and for any other purpose authorized by law. (2) The personal information is requested by the purchasing unit of the State University of New York contracting to purchase the goods or services or lease the real or personal property covered by this contract or lease. The information is maintained in the Statewide Financial System by the Vendor Management Unit within the Bureau of State Expenditures, Office of the State Comptroller, 110 State Street, Albany, New York

# 12. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINORITIES AND WOMEN.

(a) In accordance with Section 312 of the Executive Law and 5 NYCRR 143, if this contract is: (i) a written agreement or purchase order instrument, providing for a total expenditure in excess of \$25,000.00, whereby a contracting agency is committed to expend or does expend funds in return for labor, services, supplies, equipment, materials or any combination of the foregoing, to be performed for, or rendered or furnished to the contracting agency; or written agreement in excess of \$100,000.00 whereby a contracting agency is committed to expend or does expend funds for the acquisition, construction, demolition, replacement, major repair or renovation of real property and improvements thereon; or (iii) a written agreement in excess of \$100,000.00 whereby the owner of a State assisted housing project is committed to expend or does expend funds for the acquisition, construction, demolition, replacement, major reor renovation of real property and improvements thereon for such project, then the following shall apply and by signing this agreement the Contractor certifies and affirms it is Contractor's equal employment opportunity policy that:

(1) The Contractor will not discriminate against employees or applicants for employment because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status, and will undertake or continue existing programs of affirmative action to ensure that minority group members and women are afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination. Affirmative action shall mean recruitment, employment, job assignment, promotion, upgradings, demotion, transfer, layoff, or termination and rates of pay or other forms of compensation;

- (2) at SUNY's request, Contractor shall request each employment agency, labor union, or authorized representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining or other agreement or understanding, to furnish a written statement that such employment agency, labor union or representative will not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status and that such union or representative will affirmatively cooperate in the implementation of the Contractor's obligations herein; and
- (3) Contractor shall state, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees, that, in the performance of the State contract, all qualified applicants will be afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status.
- (b) Contractor will include the provisions of "1", "2" and "3", above, in every subcontract over \$25,000.00 for the construction, demolition, replacement, major repair, renovation, planning or design of real property and improvements thereon (the "Work") except where the Work is for the beneficial use of the Contractor. Section 312 does not apply to: (i) work, goods or services unrelated to this contract; or (ii) employment outside New York State. The State shall consider compliance by a Contractor or sub-contractor with the requirements of any federal law concerning equal employment opportunity which effectuates the purpose of this section. SUNY shall determine whether the imposition of the requirements of the provisions hereof duplicate or conflict with any such federal law and if such duplication or conflict exists, SUNY shall waive the applicability of Section 312 to the extent of such duplication or conflict. Contractor will comply with all duly promulgated and lawful rules and regulations of the Department of Economic Development's Division of Minority and Women's Business Development pertaining hereto.
- 13. **CONFLICTING TERMS.** In the event of a conflict between the terms of the contract (including any and all attachments thereto and amendments thereof) and the terms of this Exhibit A, the terms of this Exhibit A shall control.
- 14. **GOVERNING LAW.** This contract shall be governed by the laws of the State of New York except where the Federal supremacy clause requires otherwise.
- 15. LATE PAYMENT. Timeliness of payment and any interest to be paid to Contractor for late payment shall be governed by Article 11-A of the State Finance Law to the extent required by law.
- 16. **NO ARBITRATION.** Disputes involving this contract, including the breach or alleged breach thereof, may not be submitted to binding arbitration (except where statutorily authorized) but must, instead, be heard in a court of competent jurisdiction of the State of New York.
- 17. SERVICE OF PROCESS. In addition to the methods of service allowed by the State Civil Practice Law & Rules ("CPLR"), Contractor hereby consents to service of process upon it by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested. Service hereunder shall be complete upon Contractor's actual receipt of process or upon the State's receipt of the return thereof by the United States Postal Service as refused or undeliverable. Contractor must promptly notify the State, in writing, of each and every change of address to which service of process can be made. Service by the State to the last known address shall be sufficient. Contractor will have thirty (30) calendar days after service hereunder is complete

in which to respond.

PROHIBITION ON PURCHASE OF TROPICAL HARDWOODS. The Contractor certifies and warrants that all wood products to be used under this contract award will be in accordance with, but not limited to, the specifications and provisions of State Finance Law §165 (Use of Tropical Hardwoods), which prohibits purchase and use of tropical hardwoods, unless specifically exempted, by the State or any governmental agency or political subdivision or public benefit corporation. Qualification for an exemption under this law will be the responsibility of the contractor to establish to meet with the approval of the State. In addition, when any portion of this contract involving the use of woods, whether supply or installation, is to be performed by any subcontactor, the prime Contractor will indicate and certify in the submitted bid proposal that the subcontractor has been informed and is in compliance with specifications and provisions regarding use of tropical hardwoods as detailed in Section 165 of the State Finance Law. Any such use must meet with the approval of the State, otherwise, the bid may not be considered responsive. Under bidder certification, proof of qualification for exemption will be responsibility of the Contractor to meet with the approval of the State.

19. MacBRIDE FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRIN-CIPLES. In accordance with the MacBride Fair Employment Principles (Chapter 807 of the Laws of 1992), the Contractor hereby stipulates that Contractor and any individual or legal entity in which the Contractor holds a ten percent or greater ownership interest and any individual or legal entity that holds a ten percent or greater ownership interest in the Contractor either (a) have no business operations in Northern Ireland, or (b) shall take lawful steps in good faith to conduct any business operations in Northern Ireland in accordance with the MacBride Fair Employment Principles (as described in Section 165(5) of the State Finance Law), and shall permit independent monitoring of compliance with such principles.

### 20. OMNIBUS PROCUREMENT ACT OF 1992.

It is the policy of New York State to maximize opportunities for the participation of New York State business enterprises, including minority and women-owned business enterprises as bidders, subcontractors and suppliers on its procurement contracts

Information on the availability of New York State subcontractors and suppliers is available from:

NYS Department of Economic Development

Division for Small Business 30 South Pearl St., 7th Floor Albany, NY 12245 Tel: 518-292-5100 Fax: 518-292-5884 email: opa@esd.ny.gov

A directory of certified minority and womenowned business enterprises is available from:

NYS Department of Economic Development Division of Minority and Women's Business Development 633 Third Avenue New York, NY 10017 212-803-2414

email: mwbecertification@esd.ny.gov https://ny.newnycontracts.com/FrontEnd/Ven dorSearchPublic.asp

The Omnibus Procurement Act of 1992 requires that by signing this bid proposal or contract, as applicable, Contractors certify that whenever the total bid amount is greater than \$1 million:

(a) The Contractor has made reasonable efforts to encourage the participation of New York State Business Enterprises as suppliers and subcontractors, including certified minority and women-owned business enterprises, on this project, and has retained the documentation of these efforts to be provided upon request to SUNY:

- (b) The Contractor has complied with the Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-261), as amended:
- (c) The Contractor agrees to make reasonable efforts to provide notification to New York State residents of employment opportunities on this project through listing any such positions with the Job Search Division of the New York State Department of Labor, or providing such notification in such manner as is consistent with existing collective bargaining contracts or agreements. The contractor agrees to document these efforts and to provide said documentation to the State upon request; and
- (d) The Contractor acknowledges notice that SUNY may seek to obtain offset credits from foreign countries as a result of this contract and agrees to cooperate with SUNY in these efforts.

#### 21. RECIPROCITY AND SANCTIONS

PROVISIONS. Bidders are hereby notified that if their principal place of business is located in a country, nation, province, state or political subdivision that penalizes New York State vendors, and if the goods or services they offer will be substantially produced or performed outside New York State, the Omnibus Procurement Act of 1994 and 2000 amendments (Chapter 684 and Chapter 383, respectively) require that they be denied contracts which they would otherwise obtain. Contact the NYS Department of Economic Development, Division for Small Business, 30 South Pearl Street, Albany, New York 12245, for a current list of jurisdictions subject to this provision.

- 22. COMPLIANCE WITH NEW YORK STATE INFORMATION SECURITY BREACH AND NOTIFICATION ACT. Contractor shall comply with the provisions of the New York State Information Security Breach and Notification Act (General Business Law Section 899-aa; State Technology Law Section 208).
- 23. COMPLIANCE WITH CONSULTANT DISCLOSURE LAW If this is a contract for consulting services, defined for purposes of this requirement to include analysis, evaluation, research, training, data processing, computer

programming, engineering, environmental health and mental health services, accounting, auditing, paralegal, legal or similar services, then in accordance with Section 163(4-g) of the State Finance Law, the Contractor shall timely, accurately and properly comply with the requirement to submit an annual employment report for the contract to SUNY, the Department of Civil Service and the State Comptroller.

- 24. PURCHASES OF APPAREL AND SPORTS EQUIPMENT. In accordance with State Finance Law Section 165(7), SUNY may determine that a bidder on a contract for the purchase of apparel or sports equipment is not a responsible bidder as defined in State Finance Law Section 163 based on (a) the labor standards applicable to the manufacture of the apparel or equipment, including compensation, working conditions, employee rights to form unions and the use of child labor; or (b) bidder's failure to provide information sufficient for SUNY to determine the labor conditions applicable to the manufacture of the apparel or sports equipment.
- 25. PROCUREMENT LOBBYING. To the extent this agreement is a "procurement contract" as defined by State Finance Law Sections 139-j and 139-k, by signing this agreement the contractor certifies and affirms that all disclosures made in accordance with State Finance Law Sections 139-j and 139-k are complete, true and accurate. In the event such certification is found to be intentionally false or intentionally incomplete, the State may terminate the agreement by providing written notification to the Contractor in accordance with the terms of the agreement.
- 26. CERTIFICATION OF REGISTRATION TO COLLECT SALES AND COMPENSATING USE TAX BY CERTAIN STATE CONTRACTORS, AFFILIATES AND SUBCONTRACTORS. To the extent this agreement is a contract as defined by Tax Law Section 5-a, if the Contractor fails to make the certification required by Tax Law Section 5-a or if during the term of the contract, the Department of Taxation and Finance or SUNY discovers that the certification, made under penalty of perjury, is false, then such failure to file or false certification shall be a material breach of this contract and this contract may be terminated, by providing written notification to the Contractor

in accordance with the terms of the agreement, if SUNY determines that such action is in the best interests of the State.

27. IRAN DIVESTMENT ACT. By entering into this Agreement, Contractor certifies in accordance with State Finance Law §165-a that it is not on the "Entities Determined to be Non-Responsive Bidders/Offerers pursuant to the New York State Iran Divestment Act of 2012" ("Prohibited Entities List") posted at:

http://www.ogs.ny.gov/about/regs/docs/ListofEntities.pdf

Contractor further certifies that it will not utilize on this Contract any subcontractor that is identified on the Prohibited Entities List. Contractor agrees that should it seek to renew or extend this Contract, it must provide the same certification at the time the Contract is renewed or extended. Contractor also agrees that any proposed Assignee of this Contract will be required to certify that it is not on the Prohibited Entities List before the contract assignment will be approved by the State.

During the term of the Contract, should the state agency receive information that a person (as defined in State Finance Law §165-a) is in violation of the above-referenced certifications, the state agency will review such information and offer the person an opportunity to respond. If the person fails to demonstrate that it has ceased its engagement in the investment activity which is in violation of the Act within 90 days after the determination of such violation, then the state agency shall take such action as may be appropriate and provided for by law, rule, or contract, including, but not limited to, imposing recovering sanctions. seeking compliance, damages, or declaring the Contractor in default.

The state agency reserves the right to reject any bid, request for assignment, renewal or extension for an entity that appears on the Prohibited Entities List prior to the award, assignment, renewal or extension of a contract, and to pursue a responsibility review with respect to any entity that is awarded a contract and appears on the Prohibited Entities list after contract award.

#### THE FOLLOWING PROVISIONS SHALL APPLY ONLY TO THOSE CONTRACTS TO WHICH A HOSPITAL OR OTHER HEALTH SERVICE FACILITY IS A PARTY

- 28. Notwithstanding any other provision in this contract, the hospital or other health service facility remains responsible for insuring that any service provided pursuant to this contract complies with all pertinent provisions of Federal, state and local statutes, rules and regulations. In the foregoing sentence, the word "service" shall be construed to refer to the health care service rendered by the hospital or other health service facility.
- 29. (a) In accordance with the 1980 Omnibus Reconciliation Act (Public Law 96-499), Contractor hereby agrees that until the expiration of four years after the furnishing of services under this agreement, Contractor shall make available upon written request to the Secretary of Health and Human Services, or upon request, to the Comptroller General of the United States or any of their duly authorized representatives, copies of this contract, books, documents and records of the Contractor that are necessary to certify the nature and extent of the costs hereunder.
- (b) If Contractor carries out any of the duties of the contract hereunder, through a subcontract having a value or cost of \$10,000 or more over a twelve-month period, such subcontract shall contain a clause to the effect that, until the expiration of four years after the furnishing of such services pursuant to such subcontract, the subcontractor shall make available upon written request to the Secretary of Health and Human Services or upon request to the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives, copies of the subcontract and books, documents and records of the subcontractor that are necessary to verify the nature and extent of the costs of such subcontract.
- (c) The provisions of this section shall apply only to such contracts as are within the definition established by the Health Care Financing Administration, as may be amended or modified from time to time.

# **EXHIBIT A-1**

1. **DEFINITIONS.** The following terms shall be defined in accordance with <u>Section 310 of the Executive Law:</u>

STATE CONTRACT herein referred to as "State Contract", shall mean: (a) a written agreement or purchase order instrument, providing for a total expenditure in excess of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000,00). whereby the State University of New York ("University") is committed to expend or does expend funds in return for labor, services including but not limited to legal, financial and other professional services, supplies, equipment, materials or an combination of the foregoing, to be performed for, or rendered or furnished to the University; (b) a written agreement in excess of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) whereby the University is committed to expend or does expend funds for the acquisition, construction, demolition, replacement, major repair or renovation of real property improvements thereon; and (c) a written agreement in excess of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) whereby the University as an owner of a state assisted housing project is committed to expend or does expend funds for the acquisition, construction, demolition, replacement, major repair or renovation of real property and improvements thereon for such project. (Subdivision 13 of § 310). N.Y. EXEC. Law § 310 (McKinney 2011).

**SUBCONTRACT** herein referred to as "Subcontract", shall mean any agreement for a total expenditure in excess of \$25,000 providing for services, including non-staffing expenditures, supplies or materials of any kind between a State agency and a prime contractor, in which a portion of the prime contractor's obligation under the State contract is undertaken or assumed by a business enterprise not controlled by the prime contractor. (Subdivision 14 of § 310). N.Y. EXEC. LAW § 310 (McKinney 2011).

### WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE

herein referred to as "WBE", shall mean a business enterprise, including a sole proprietorship, partnership or corporation that is: (a) at least fifty-one percent (51%) owned by one or more United States citizens or permanent resident aliens who are women; (b) an enterprise in which the ownership interest of such women is real, substantial and continuing; (c) an enterprise in which such women ownership has and exercises the authority to control independently the day-today business decisions of the enterprise; (d) an enterprise authorized to do business in state and independently owned and operated; (e) an enterprise owned by an individual or individuals, whose ownership, control and operation are relied upon for certification, with a personal net worth that does not exceed three million five hundred thousand dollars (\$3,500,000), as adjusted annually on the first of January for inflation according to the consumer price index of the previous year; and (f) an enterprise that is a small business pursuant to subdivision twenty of this section. (Subdivision 15 of § 310). N.Y. Exec. Law § 310 (McKinney 2011).

A firm owned by a minority group member who is also a woman may be certified as a minority-owned business enterprise, women-owned business enterprise, or both, and may be counted towards either a minority-owned business enterprise goal or a women-owned business enterprise goal, in regard to any Contract or any goal, set by an agency or authority, but such participation may not be counted towards both such goals. Such an enterprise's participation in a Contract may not be divided between the minorityowned business enterprise goal and the women-owned business enterprise goal. (Subdivision 15 of § 310). N.Y. EXEC. LAW § 310 (McKinney 2011).

MINORITY-OWNED BUSINESS ENTER-PRISE herein referred to as "MBE", shall mean a business enterprise, including a sole proprietorship, partnership or corporation that is: (a) at least fifty-one percent (51%) owned by one or more minority group members; (b) an enterprise in which such minority ownership ownership is real, substantial and continuing; (c) an enterprise in which such minority ownership has and exercises the authority to control independently the day-today business decisions of the enterprise; (d) an enterprise authorized to do business in this state and independently owned and operated; (e) an enterprise owned by an individual or individuals, whose ownership, control and operation are relied upon for certification, with a personal net worth that does not exceed three million five hundred thousand dollars (\$3,500,000.00), as adjusted annually on the first of January for inflation according to the consumer price index of the previous year; and (f) an enterprise that is a small business pursuant to subdivision twenty of this section. (Subdivision 7 of § 310). N.Y. EXEC. LAW § 310 (McKinney 2010).

MINORITY GROUP MEMBER shall mean a United States citizen or permanent resident alien who is and can demonstrate membership in one of the following groups: (a) Black persons having origins in any of the Black African racial groups; (b) Hispanic persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Domini- can, Cuban, Central or South American of either Indian or Hispanic origin, regardless of race; (c) Native American or Alaskan native persons having origins in any of the original peoples of North America. (d) Asian and Pacific Islander persons having origins in any of the Far East countries, South East Asia, the Indian Subcontinent or Pacific Islands. (Subdivision 8 of § 310). N.Y. EXEC. LAW. § 310 (McKinney

# CERTIFIED ENTERPRISE OR BUSINESS shall mean a business verified as a minority or women- owned business enterprise pursuant to section 314 of the Executive Law. A business enterprise which has been approved by the New York Division of Minority &

Women Business Development ("DMWBD") for minority or women-owned enterprise status subsequent to verification that the business enterprise is owned, operated, and controlled by minority group members or women, and that also meets the financial requirements set forth in the regulations. (Subdivision 1 of § 310). N.Y. EXEC. LAW § 310 (McKinney 2011).

- **2. TERMS.** The parties to the attached State Contract agree to be bound by the following provisions of <u>Article 15-A of the Executive Law</u> which are made a part hereof (the word "Contractor" herein refers to any party other than the University):
- 1(a) Contractor and its Subcontractors shall undertake or continue existing programs of affirmative action to ensure that minority group members and women are afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination. For these purposes, affirmative action shall apply in the areas of recruitment, employment, job assignment, promotion, upgrading, demotion, transfer, layoff, or termination and rates of pay or other forms of compensation. (Subdivision 1(a) of § 312). N.Y. EXEC. LAW § 312 (McKinney 1988).
- (b) Prior to the award of a State Contract, the Contractor shall submit an equal employment opportunity (EEO) policy statement to the University within the time frame established by the University. (Subdivision 1(b) of § 312). N.Y. EXEC. LAW. § 312 (McKinney 1988).
- (c) As part of the Contractor's EEO policy statement, the Contractor, as a precondition to entering into a valid and binding State Contract, shall agree to the following in the performance of the State Contract: (i) The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment, will undertake or continue existing programs of affirmative action to ensure that minority group members and women are afforded equal opportunities employment without discrimination, and shall make and document its conscientious and active efforts to employ and utilize minority group members and women in its work force on State Contracts;(ii) The Contractor shall state in all solicitations or advertisements for employees that, in the performance of the State Contract, all qualified applicants will be afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination; (iii) At the request of the University the Contractor shall request each employment agency, labor union, or authorized representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining or other agreement or understanding, to furnish a written statement that such employment agency, labor union, or representative will not discriminate, and that such union or representative will affirmatively cooperate in the implementation of the Contractor's obligations herein. (Subdivision 1 of § 312). N.Y. EXEC. LAW. § 312 (McKinney 1988).
- (d) Except for construction contracts, prior to an award of a State Contract, the Contractor shall submit to the contracting agency a staffing plan of the anticipated work

force to be utilized on the State Contract or, where required, information on the Contractor's total work force, including apprentices, broken down by specified ethnic background, gender, and Federal occupational categories or other appropriate categories specified by the contracting agency. The form of the staffing plan shall be supplied by the contracting agency. If Contractor fails to provide a staffing plan, or in the alternative, a description of its entire work force, the University may reject Contractor's bid, unless Contractor either commits to provide such information at a later date or provides a reasonable justification in writing for its failure to provide the same. (Subdivision 5 of § 312). N.Y. EXEC. LAW § 312 (1988).

- (e) After an award of a State Contract, the Contractor shall submit to the University a workforce utilization report, in a form and manner required by the agency, of the work force actually utilized on the State Contract, broken down by specified ethnic background, gender, and Federal occupational categories or other appropriate categories specified by the University. (Subdivision 5 of § 312). N.Y. EXEC. LAW § 312 (McKinney 1988).
- (f) The Contractor shall include the provisions of this section in every Subcontract in such a manner that the requirements of the provisions will be binding upon each Subcontractor as to work in connection with the State Contract, including the requirement that Subcontractors shall undertake or continue existing programs of affirmative action to ensure that minority group members and women are afforded equal opportunities employment without discrimination, and, when requested, provide to the Contractor information on the ethnic background, gender, and Federal occupational categories of the employees to be utilized on the State Contract. (Subdivision 2 of § 312). N.Y. EXEC. LAW § 312 (McKinney 1988).
- To ensure compliance with the requirements of this paragraph, the University shall inquire of a Contractor whether the work force to be utilized in the performance of the State Contract can be separated out from the Contractor's and/or Subcontractors' total work force and where the work of the State Contract is to be performed. For Contractors who are unable to separate the portion of their work force which will be utilized for the performance of this State Contract, Contractor shall provide reports describing its entire work force by the specified ethnic background, gender, and Federal Occupational Categories, or other appropriate categories which the agency may specify.
- (h) The University may require the Contractor and any Subcontractor to submit compliance reports, pursuant to the regulations relating to their operations and implementation of their affirmative action or equal employment opportunity program in effect as of the date the State Contract is executed. (Subdivision 5(a) § 313). N.Y. EXEC. LAW 313 (McKinney 2010).
- (i) If a Contractor or Subcontractor does not have an existing affirmative action program, the University may provide to the Contractor or Subcontractor a model plan of an affirmative action program. Upon request, the Director of DMWBD shall provide a contracting

- agency with a model plan of an affirmative action program.
- (j) Upon request, DMWBD shall provide the University with information on specific recruitment sources for minority group members and woman, and contracting agencies shall make such information available to Contractors
- Contractor must provide the names, addresses and federal identification numbers of certified minority- and women-owned business enterprises which the Contractor intends to use to perform the State Contract and a description of the Contract scope of work which the Contractor intends to structure to increase the participation by Certified minorityand/or women-owned business enterprises on the State Contract, and the estimated or, if known, actual dollar amounts to be paid to and performance dates of each component of a State Contract which the Contractor intends to be performed by a certified minority- or woman-owned business enterprise. In the event the Contractor responding to University solicitation is joint venture, teaming agreement, or other similar arrangement that includes a minority-and women owned business enterprise, the Contractor must submit for review and approval: i. the name, address, telephone number and federal identification of each partner or party to the agreement; ii. the federal identification number of the joint venture or entity established to respond to the solicitation, if applicable; iii. A copy of the joint venture, teaming or other similar arrangement which describes the percentage of interest owned by each party to the agreement and the value added by each party; iv. A copy of the mentor-protégé agreement between the parties, if applicable, and if not described in the joint venture, teaming agreement, or other similar arrangement. (Subdivision 3 of § 315). N.Y. Exec. Law § 315 (McKinney 2010).
- 3. PARTICIPATION BY MINORITY GROUP MEMBERS AND WOMEN. The University shall determine whether Contractor has made conscientious and active efforts to employ and utilize minority group members and women to perform this State Contract based upon an analysis of the following factors:
- (a) Whether Contractor established and maintained a current list of recruitment sources for minority group members and women, and whether Contractor provided written notification to such recruitment sources that contractor had employment opportunities at the time such opportunities became available.
- (b) Whether Contractor sent letters to recruiting sources, labor unions, or authorized representatives of workers with which contractor has a collective bargaining or other agreement or understanding requesting assistance in locating minority group members and women for employment.
- (c) Whether Contractor disseminated its EEO policy by including it in any advertising in the news media, and in particular, in minority and women news media
- (d) Whether Contractor has attempted to provide information concerning its EEO policy to Subcontractors with which it does business or had anticipated doing business.
- (e) Whether internal procedures exist for, at a minimum, annual dissemination of the EEO policy to employees, specifically to

- employees having any responsibility for hiring, assignment, layoff, termination, or other employment decisions. Such dissemination may occur through distribution of employee policy manuals and handbooks, annual reports, staff meetings and public postings.
- (f) Whether Contractor encourages and utilizes minority group members and women employees to assist in recruiting other employees.
- (g) Whether Contractor has apprentice training programs approved by the N.Y.S. Department of Labor which provides for training and hiring of minority group members and women.
- (h) Whether the terms of this section have been incorporated into each Subcontract which is entered into by the Contractor. (Subdivision 7(a) of § 313). N.Y. EXEC. LAW § 313 (McKinney 2010).
- 4. PARTICIPATION BY MINORITY AND WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES. Based upon an analysis of the following factors, the University shall determine whether Contractor has made good faith efforts to provide for meaningful participation by minority-owned and womenowned business enterprises which have been certified by DMWBD. (Subdivision 3 of § 313). N.Y. EXEC. LAW § 313 (Mc Kinney 2010):
- (a) Whether Contractor has actively solicited bids for Subcontracts from qualified M/WBEs, including those firms listed on the Directory of Certified Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprises, and has documented its good faith efforts towards meeting minority and women owned business enterprise utilization plans by providing, copies of solicitations, copies of any advertisements for participation by certified minority- and women-owned business enterprises timely published in appropriate general circulation, trade and minority- or women-oriented publications, together with the listing(s) and date(s) of the publications of such advertisements; dates of attendance at any pre-bid, pre-award, or other meetings, if any, scheduled by the University, with certified minority- and women-owned business enterprises, and the reasons why any such firm was not selected to participate on the project.
- (b) Whether Contractor has attempted to make project plans and specifications available to firms who are not members of associations with plan rooms and reduce fees for firms who are disadvantaged.
- (c) Whether Contractor has utilized the services of organizations which provide technical assistance in connection with M/WBE participation.
- (d) Whether Contractor has structured its Subcontracts so that opportunities exist to complete smaller portions of work.
- e) Whether Contractor has encouraged the formation of joint ventures, partnerships, or other similar arrangements among Subcontractors.
- (f) Whether Contractor has requested the services of the Department of Economic Development (DED) to assist Subcontractors' efforts to satisfy bonding requirement.
- (g) Whether Contractor has made progress payments promptly to its Subcontractors.
- (h) Whether the terms of this section have been incorporated into each Subcontract

which is entered into by the Contractor. It shall be the responsibility of Con-tractor to ensure compliance by every Subcontractor with these provisions.

### 5. GOALS. (a) GOALS FOR MINORITY AND WOMEN WORK FORCE PARTICIPATION.

- (i) The University shall include relevant work force availability data, which is provided by the DMWBD, in all documents which solicit bids for State Contracts and shall make efforts to assist Contractors in utilizing such data to determine expected levels of participation for minority group members and women on State Contracts.
- (ii) Contractor shall exert good faith efforts to achieve such goals for minority and women's participation. To successfully achieve such goals, the employment of minority group members and women by Contractor must be substantially uniform during the entire term of this State Contract. In addition, Contractor should not participate in the transfer of employees from one employer or project to another for the sole purpose of achieving goals for minority and women's participation. (Subdivision 5 of § 313). N.Y. EXEC. LAW § 313 (McKinney 2010).
- (b) GOALS FOR MINORITY AND WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTER-PRISES PARTICIPATION. For all State Contracts in excess of \$25,000.00 whereby the University is committed to expend or does expend funds in return for labor, services including but not limited to legal, financial and other professional services, supplies, equipment, materials or a combination of the

- foregoing or all State Contracts in excess of \$100,000.00 whereby the University is committed to expend or does expend funds for the acquisition, construction, demolition, replacement, major repair or renovation of real property and improvements thereon, Contractor shall exert good faith efforts to achieve a participation goal of \_ \_ percent \_%) for Certified Minority-Owned Business Enterprises and \_ \_ percent for Certified Women-Owned \_%) Business Enterprises. (Subdivision 3 of § 313). N.Y. EXEC. LAW § 313 (McKinney 2010).
- 6. ENFORCEMENT. The University will be responsible for enforcement of each Contractor's compliance with these provisions. Contractor, and each Subcontractor, shall permit the University access to its books, records and accounts for the purpose of and determining whether investigating Contractor or Subcontractor is in compliance with the requirements of Article 15-A of the Executive Law. If the University determines that a Contractor or Subcontractor may not be in compliance with these provisions, the University may make every reasonable effort to resolve the issue and assist the Contractor or Subcontractor in its efforts to comply with these provisions. If the University is unable to resolve the issue of noncompliance, the University may file a complaint with the DMWBD. (Subdivision 5(a) of § 313). N.Y. Exec. Law § 313 (McKinney 2010).

#### 7. DAMAGES FOR NON COMPLIANCE.

Where the University determines that Contractor is not in compliance with the requirements of the Contract and Contractor

refuses to comply with such requirements, or if Contractor is found to have willfully and intentionally failed to comply with the MWBE participation goals, Contractor shall be obligated to pay to liquidated damages to the University. Such liquidated damages shall be calculated as an amount equaling the difference between: (Section 316 (a) of the Executive Law). N.Y. EXEC. LAW § 316 (McKinney 2010).

- All sums identified for payment to MWBEs had the Contractor achieved the contractual MWBE goals; and
- b. All sums actually paid to MWBEs for work performed or materials supplied under the Contract.

In the event a determination has been made which requires the payment of liquidated damages and such identified sums have not been withheld by the University, Contractor shall pay such liquidated damages to the University within sixty (60) days after such damages are assessed, unless prior to the expiration of such sixtieth day, the Contractor has filed a complaint with the Director of the Division of Minority and Woman Business Development pursuant to Subdivision 8 of Section 313 of the Executive Law in which event the liquidated damages shall be payable if Director renders a decision in favor of the University. N.Y. EXEC. LAW § 313 (McKinney 2010).

# SUNY DOWNSTATE MEDICAL CENTER BUSINESS ASSOCIATE AGREEMENT

THIS BUSINESS ASSOCIATE AGREEMENT is made by and between THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK ("SUNY"), an educational corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York, having its principal offices located at State University Plaza, Albany, New York 12246, acting for and on behalf of

#### SUNY DOWNSTATE MEDICAL CENTER

"Covered Entity"

with its address at:

### 450 Clarkson Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11203

Re. Contract Number	er(s):	
and		
	"Business Associate"	
with its principal offi	ces at	
	Street Address	
City	State	Zip
Facsimile Number:		

Covered Entity and Business Associate, collectively, may hereinafter be referred to as the "Parties," as in the parties to this Agreement.

The Parties have entered into one or more certain agreements (each and together, the "Underlying Agreement") under which the Business Associate uses and/or discloses PHI in its performance of the Services described below. The Parties are committed to complying with the Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information (the "Privacy Rule") and the Standards for Security of Electronic Protected Health Information (the "Security Rule) under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA") including the 2013 HIPAA Omnibus Rule. This Agreement, in conjunction with the Privacy and Security Rules, sets forth the terms and conditions pursuant to which PHI (electronic and nonelectronic) that is created, received, maintained, or transmitted by, the Business Associate from or on behalf of Covered Entity, will be handled between the Business Associate and Covered Entity and with third parties during the term of their Underlying Agreement and after its termination. The Parties agree as follows:

#### 1. PERMITTED USES AND DISCLOSURES OF PHI

1.1 **Services**. Pursuant to the Underlying Agreement, Business Associate provides services ("Services") for Covered Entity that involve the use and disclosure of PHI. Except as otherwise specified herein,

the Business Associate may make any and all uses of PHI necessary to perform its obligations under the Underlying Agreement. All other uses not authorized by this Agreement are prohibited. Moreover, Business Associate may disclose PHI for the purposes authorized by this Agreement only: (a) to its employees, subcontractors and agents, in accordance with Section 2.1(d), or (b) as otherwise permitted by or as required by the Privacy or Security Rule.

- 1.2 Business Activities of the Business Associate. Unless otherwise limited herein and if such use or disclosure of PHI would not violate the Privacy or Security Rules if done by the Covered Entity, the Business Associate may:
- (a) use the PHI in its possession for its proper management and administration and to fulfill any present or future legal responsibilities of the Business Associate provided that such uses are permitted under state and federal confidentiality laws.
- (b) disclose the PHI in its possession to third parties for the purpose of its proper management and administration or to fulfill any present or future legal responsibilities of the Business Associate, provided that the Business Associate represents to Covered Entity, in writing, that (i) the disclosures are required by law, as provided for in 45 CFR § 103 or (ii) the Business Associate has received from the third party written assurances regarding its confidential handling of such PHI as required under 45 CFR § 164.504(e)(4) and § 164.314, and the third party notifies the Business Associate of any instances of which it is aware in which the confidentiality of the information has been breached.
- (c) Business Associate may provide data aggregation services relating to the health care operations of the Covered Entity.
- 1.3 Business Associate understands and agrees that its access to Protected Health Information stored in databases and information systems at the Covered Entity is subject to review and audit by the Covered Entity or agents of the State of New York at any time, that remote audits of such access may occur at any time, if remote access exists, that on-site audits of such access will be conducted during regular business hours, and that any review or audit may occur with or without prior notice by the Covered Entity.

### 2. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTIES WITH RESPECT TO PHI

- 2.1 **Responsibilities of the Business Associate**. With regard to its use and/or disclosure of PHI, the Business Associate hereby agrees to do the following:
- (a) Not use or disclose PHI other than as permitted or required by the Agreement or as required by law;

- (b) Use appropriate safeguards, and comply with Subpart C of 45 CFR Part 164 with respect to electronic PHI, to prevent use or disclosure of PHI other than as provided for by the Agreement;
- (c) Report, in writing, to Covered Entity within five (5) business days any use or disclosure of PHI not provided for by the Agreement of which it becomes aware, including breaches of unsecured PHI as required at 45 CFR 164.410, and any security incident of which it becomes aware, and cooperate with the Covered Entity in any mitigation or breach reporting efforts; this notice shall be deemed sufficient if it is delivered to the Parties at their respective addresses listed above and the Privacy Officer using the following contact information:

SUNY Downstate Medical Center Office of Compliance & Audit Services Attn: Privacy Officer 450 Clarkson Ave., Box 1248 Brooklyn, NY 11203

Telephone Number: (718) 270 - 4033 Facsimile Number: (718) 270 - 4312 (Please confirm receipt)

- (d) In accordance with 45 CFR 164.502(e)(1)(ii) and 164.308(b)(2), if applicable, to ensure that any subcontractors that create, receive, maintain, or transmit PHI on behalf of the Business Associate agree to the same restrictions, conditions, and requirements that apply to the Business Associate with respect to such information;
- (e) Except as provided in this subsection, ensure that any agent or subcontractor to whom the Business Associate provides PHI, as well as Business Associate, shall not export PHI beyond the borders of the United States of America. If the Business Associate or its agent or subcontractor exports PHI beyond the borders of the United States of America, then, subject to the United States and New York State export control and foreign outsourcing laws, rules and regulations, the Business Associate will provide to Covered Entity prior to such export, a reasonable assurance, evidenced in writing, that the Business Associate, subcontractor, or agent will comply with the privacy and security obligations of Business Associate the set forth either in this Agreement or in applicable law, rules and regulations with respect to such PHI.
- (f) Agrees to provide the Covered Entity, at the Covered Entity's request, a list of all agents and subcontractors that create, receive, maintain, or transmit PHI on behalf of Business Associate.
- (g) Within five (5) business days of a request from Covered Entity, make available PHI in a designated record set, if applicable, to Covered Entity, as necessary to satisfy Covered Entity's obligations under 45 CFR 164.524.

- (h) Within five (5) business days of a request from Covered Entity, make any amendment(s) to PHI, if applicable, in a designated record set as directed or agreed to by the Covered Entity pursuant to 45 CFR 164.526, or take other measures as necessary to satisfy Covered Entity's obligations under 45 CFR 164.526.
- (i) As applicable, maintain and make available the information required to provide an accounting of disclosures as necessary to satisfy Covered Entity's obligations under 45 CFR 164.528.
- (j) To the extent Business Associate is to carry out one or more of Covered Entity's obligation(s) under Subpart E of 45 CFR Part 164, comply with the requirements of Subpart E that apply to the Covered Entity in the performance of such obligation(s).
- (k) Upon request, may make its internal practices, books, and records available to the Secretary and to the Covered Entity for purposes of determining compliance with the HIPAA Rules.
- Comply with minimum necessary requirements under the HIPAA Rules.
- 2.2 Business Associate hereby acknowledges and agrees that Covered Entity has notified Business Associate that Business Associate is required to comply with the confidentiality, Disclosure and re-Disclosure requirements of 10 NYCRR Part 63 to the extent such requirements may be applicable.
- 2.3 If, in the performance of the Services, Business Associate extends, renews or continues credit to patients or regularly allows patients to defer payment for services including setting up payment plans in connection with one or more covered accounts, as defined at 15 USC 1681m(e)(4), the Business Associate must comply with the Federal Trade Commission's "Red Flag" Rules, if applicable, or develop and implement a written identity theft prevention program designed to identify, detect, mitigate and respond to suspicious activities that could indicate that identity theft has occurred in the Business Associate practice or business.
- 2.4 Business Associate acknowledges that if Business Associate or any of its agents or subcontractors violate any Security provision as Required By Law specified in subparagraph 2.1(b) above, sections 1176 and 1177 of the Social Security Act 42 USC §1320d-5, 1320d-6 shall apply to Business Associate with respect to such violation in the same manner that such sections apply to Covered Entity if it violates such Security provision, thus resulting in civil or criminal penalties.
- 2.5 Covered Entity and Business Associate recognize that unsecured PHI may contain the social security numbers, financial account information or driver's license number or non-driver identification card number ("private information" as defined in the New York State Information Security Breach and Notification Act, as amended ("ISBNA"), General Business Law § 889-aa; State Technology Law § 208). Subject to the issue of

interim final regulations by the Secretary and any periodic updates thereof all of which are incorporated by reference in this Agreement, in the event of a Breach of unsecured PHI containing an Individual's private information, Business Associate shall, in addition to notifying Covered Entity as required under in subparagraph 2.1(c), comply with the provisions of the New York State ISBNA. Business Associate shall be liable for the costs associated with such Breach if caused by the Business Associate's negligent or willful acts or omissions, or the negligent or willful acts or omissions Associate's agents, officers, employees or subcontractors.

#### 3. RESPONSIBILITIES OF COVERED ENTITY.

- 3.1 With regard to the use and/or disclosure of PHI by the Business Associate, Covered Entity hereby agrees:
- (a) to inform the Business Associate of any limitations in the form of notice of privacy practices that Covered Entity provides to individuals pursuant to 45 CFR §164.520, to the extent that such limitation may affect Business Associate's use or disclosure of PHI.
- (b) to inform the Business Associate of any changes in, or revocation of, the permission by an individual to use or disclose PHI, to the extent that such limitation may affect Business Associate's use or disclosure of PHI.
- (c) to notify the Business Associate, in writing and in a timely manner, of any restriction on the use or disclosure of PHI that Covered Entity has agreed to or is required to abide by under 45 CFR 164.522, to the extent that such restriction may impact in any manner the use and/or disclosure of PHI by the Business Associate under this Agreement. except if the Business Associate will use or disclose PHI for (and the Underlying Agreement includes provisions for) data aggregation or management and administration and legal responsibilities of the Business Associate.
- (d) Covered Entity will not request Business Associate to use or disclose PHI in any manner that would not be permissible under the Privacy and Security Rule if done by the Covered Entity.

#### 4. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

- **4.1 Mutual Representations and Warranties of the Parties.** Each Party represents and warrants to the other Party:
- (a) that it is duly organized, validly existing, and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction in which it is organized or licensed, it has the full power to enter into this Agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder, and that the performance by it of its obligations under this Agreement have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate or other actions and will not violate any provision of any license, corporate charter or bylaws.
- (b) that neither the execution of this Agreement, nor its performance hereunder, will directly or indirectly violate or interfere with the terms of another

- agreement to which it is a party, or give any governmental entity the right to suspend, terminate, or modify any of its governmental authorizations or assets required for its performance hereunder. Each Party represents and warrants to the other Party that it will not enter into any agreement the execution and/or performance of which would violate or interfere with this Agreement.
- (c) that it is not currently the subject of a voluntary or involuntary petition in bankruptcy, does not currently contemplate filing any such voluntary petition, and is not aware of any claim for the filing of an involuntary petition.
- (d) that all of its employees and members of its workforce, whose services may be used to fulfill obligations under this Agreement are or shall be appropriately informed of the terms of this Agreement and are under legal obligation to each Party, respectively, by contract or otherwise, sufficient to enable each Party to fully comply with all provisions of this Agreement including, without limitation, the requirement that modifications or limitations that Business Associate has agreed to adhere to with regards to the use and disclosure of PHI of any individual that materially affects and/or limits the uses and disclosures that are otherwise permitted under the Standard will be communicated to the Business Associate, in writing, and in a timely fashion.
- (e) that it will reasonably cooperate with the other Party in the performance of the mutual obligations under this Agreement.
- that neither the Party, nor its shareholders, members, directors, officers, agents, employees or members of its workforce have been excluded or served a notice of exclusion or have been served with a notice of proposed exclusion, or have committed any acts which are cause for exclusion, from participation in, or had any sanctions, or civil or criminal penalties imposed under, any federal or state healthcare program, including but not limited to Medicare or Medicaid, or have been convicted, under federal or state law (including without limitation a plea of nolo contendere or participation in a first offender deferred adjudication or other arrangement whereby a judgment of conviction has been withheld), of a criminal offense related to (i) the neglect or abuse of a patient, (ii) the delivery of an item or service, including the performance of management or administrative services related to the delivery of an item or service, under a federal or state healthcare program, (iii) fraud, theft, embezzlement, breach of fiduciary responsibility, or other financial misconduct in connection with the delivery of a healthcare item or service or with respect to any act or omission in any program operated by or financed in whole or in part by any federal, state or local government agency, (iv) the unlawful, manufacture, distribution, prescription or dispensing of a controlled substance, or (v)

interference with or obstruction of any investigation into any criminal offense.

4.2 Each Party further agrees to notify the other Party immediately after the Party becomes aware that any of the foregoing representation and warranties may be inaccurate or may become incorrect at any time during the term of this Agreement.

#### 5. TERMS AND TERMINATION

- 5.1 **Term**. The Term of this Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date, and shall terminate on the termination date of the relevant Underlying Agreement or on the date Covered Entity terminates this Agreement for cause as authorized in paragraph 5.2 of this Section, whichever is sooner.
- 5.2 **Termination for Cause**. Business Associate authorizes termination of this Agreement by Covered Entity, if Covered Entity determines Business Associate has violated a material term of the Agreement and Business Associate has not cured the breach or ended the violation within the time specified by Covered Entity.
- Obligations of Business Associate upon Termination. Business Associate agrees to return or destroy all PHI pursuant to 45 CFR § 164.504(e)(2)(I). Prior to doing so, the Business Associate further agrees to recover any PHI in the possession of its subcontractors or agents. If it is not feasible for the Business Associate to return or destroy said PHI, the Business Associate will notify Covered Entity in writing and the Covered Entity disagree with the Business Associate's determination. Said notification shall include: statement that the Business Associate has determined that it is not feasible to return or destroy the PHI in its possession, and (b) the specific reasons for such Business Associate further agrees to determination. extend any and all protections, limitations and restrictions contained in this Agreement to the Business Associate's use and/or disclosure of any PHI retained after the termination of this Agreement, and to limit any further uses and/or disclosures to the purposes that make the return or destruction of the PHI infeasible. If it is infeasible for the Business Associate to obtain from a subcontractor or agent any PHI in the possession of the subcontractor or agent, the Business Associate must provide a written explanation to Covered Entity and require such subcontractor or agent to agree to extend any and all protections, limitations and restrictions contained in this Agreement to the subcontractor's and/or agent's use and/or disclosure of any PHI retained after the termination of this Agreement, and to limit any further uses and/or disclosures to the purposes that make the return or destruction of the PHI infeasible.
- 5.4 Automatic Termination. This Agreement will automatically terminate without any further action of the Parties upon the termination or expiration of the Underlying Agreement.

#### 6. CONFIDENTIALITY

6.1 Confidentiality Obligations. In the course of performing under this Agreement, each Party may receive, be exposed to or acquire the Confidential Information including but not limited to, all information, data, reports, records, summaries, tables and studies, whether written or oral, fixed in hard copy or contained in any computer data base or computer readable form, as well as any information identified as confidential ("Confidential Information") of the other Party. For purposes of this Agreement, "Confidential Information" shall not include PHI, the security of which is the subject of this Agreement and is provided for elsewhere. The Parties including their employees, agents, representatives and subcontractors: (a) shall not disclose to any third party the Confidential Information of the other Party except as otherwise permitted by this Agreement, (b) only permit use of such Information by Confidential employees, representatives and subcontractors having a need to know in connection with performance under this Agreement, and advise each of their employees, agents. representatives and subcontractors of their obligations to keep such Confidential Information confidential. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, each Party shall be free to use, for its own business purposes, any ideas, suggestions, concepts, know-how or techniques contained in information received from each other that directly relates to the performance under this Agreement. This provision shall not apply to Confidential Information: (d) after it becomes publicly available through no fault of either Party; (e) which is later publicly released by either Party in writing; (f) which is lawfully obtained from third parties without restriction; or (g) which can be shown to be previously known or developed by either Party independently of the other Party.

#### 7. INSURANCE AND INDEMNIFICATION

- 7.1 **Insurance**. Business Associate will procure and maintain in effect during the term of this Agreement: (a) general liability insurance coverage with minimum limits of \$1 million per occurrence and \$3 million aggregate; and (b) as applicable, professional liability insurance coverage within minimum limits of \$1 million per occurrence and \$3 million in aggregate; and (c) workers' compensation insurance coverage within statutory limits of state law in which Business Associate is located. Upon request, Business Associate shall provide evidence of continuous coverage to Covered Entity.
- 7.2 Indemnification. The Business Associate agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless Covered Entity and Covered Entity's employees, trustees, officers, agents and other members of its workforce from any costs, damages, expenses, judgments, losses, and attorney's fees arising from any breach of this Agreement by Business Associate or any of its agents or subcontractors, or arising from any negligent or wrongful acts or omissions of Business Associate or any of its agents or subcontractors, including failure to perform its obligations under the Privacy Rule. The Business

Associate's indemnification obligation shall survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement for any reason.

#### 8. MISCELLANEOUS

- 8.1 **Business Associate**. For purposes of this Agreement, Business Associate shall include the named Business Associate herein. However, in the event that the Business Associate is otherwise a Covered Entity under the Privacy or Security Rule, that entity may appropriately designate a health care component of the entity, pursuant to 45 CFR § 164.504(a), as the Business Associate for purposes of this Agreement.
- 8.2 **Survival**. The respective rights and obligations of Business Associate and Covered Entity under this Agreement, shall survive termination of this Agreement indefinitely.
- 8.3 Amendments; Waiver. This Agreement may not be modified, nor shall any provision hereof be waived or amended, except in a writing duly signed by authorized representatives of the Parties. A waiver with respect to one event shall not be construed as continuing, or as a bar to or waiver of any right or remedy as to subsequent events. The Parties agree to take such action as is necessary to amend this Agreement from time to time as is necessary for compliance with the requirements of the HIPAA Rules and any other applicable law.
- 8.4 **Interpretation**. Any ambiguity in this Agreement shall be interpreted to permit compliance with the HIPAA Rules.
- 8.5 **No Third Party Beneficiaries**. Nothing expressed or implied in this Agreement is intended to confer, nor shall anything herein confer, upon any person other than the Parties and the respective successors or assigns of the Parties, any rights, remedies, obligations, or liabilities whatsoever.
- 8.6 **Notices.** Any notices to be given hereunder to a Party shall be made via U.S. Mail or express courier to such Party's address given above, and/or (other than for the delivery of fees) via facsimile to the facsimile telephone numbers listed above. A copy of any such notice shall also be given in the same manner to the Privacy Officer listed above. Each Party named above may change its address and that of its representative for notice by the giving of notice thereof in the manner hereinabove provided.
- 8.7 **Counterparts; Facsimiles**. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original. Facsimile copies hereof shall be deemed to be originals.
- 8.8 **Disputes**. If any controversy, dispute or claim arises between the Parties with respect to this Agreement, the Parties shall make good faith efforts to resolve such matters informally.
- 8.9 **LIMITATION OF LIABILITY**. COVERED ENTITY SHALL NOT BE LIABLE TO BUSINESS ASSOCIATE FOR ANY INCIDENTAL, CONSEQUENTIAL, SPECIAL, OR PUNITIVE DAMAGES

- OF ANY KIND OR NATURE, WHETHER SUCH LIABILITY IS ASSERTED ON THE BASIS OF CONTRACT, TORT (INCLUDING NEGLIGENCE OR STRICT LIABILITY), OR OTHERWISE, EVEN IF THE OTHER PARTY HAS BEEN ADVISED OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH LOSS OR DAMAGES.
- Changes in Law. The Parties recognize that this Agreement is at all times subject to applicable state, local. and federal laws. The Parties further recognize that this Agreement may become subject to amendments in such laws and regulations and to new legislation. Any provisions of law that invalidate, or are otherwise inconsistent with, the material terms and conditions of this Agreement, or that would cause one or both of the Parties hereto to be in violation of law, shall be deemed to have superseded the terms of this Agreement and, in such event, the Parties agree to use their best efforts to modify in an executed written agreement the terms and conditions of this Agreement to be consistent with the requirements of such law(s) in order to effectuate the purposes and intent of this Agreement within thirty (30) days of receipt of notice from one Party to the other Party setting forth the proposed changes. If the Parties fail to so modify this Agreement, then either Party may, by giving the other an additional sixty (60) days written notice, terminate this Agreement, unless this Agreement would terminate earlier by its terms. In the event amendments or changes in existing law, general instructions, or new legislation, rules, regulations, or decisional law preclude or substantially preclude a contractual relationship between the Parties similar to that expressed in this Agreement, then, under such circumstances, where renegotiation of the applicable terms of this Agreement would be futile, either Party may provide the other at least sixty (60) days advance written notice of termination of this Agreement, unless this Agreement would terminate earlier by its terms. Upon termination of this Agreement as hereinabove provided, neither Party shall have any further obligation hereunder except for (a) obligations occurring prior to the date of termination, and (b) obligations, promises or covenants contained herein which are expressly made and intended either to arise upon the termination of this Agreement ot to extend beyond the term of this Agreement.
- 8.11 **Construction of Terms**. The terms of this Agreement shall be construed in light of any applicable interpretation or guidance on HIPAA and/or the Privacy Rule issued by the Department of Health and Human Services of the Office of Civil Rights from time to time.
- 8.12 **Contradictory Terms**. Any provision of the Underlying Agreement that is directly contradictory to one or more terms of this Agreement ("Contradictory Term") shall be superceded by the terms of this Agreement as of the Effective Date of this Agreement to the extent and only to the extent of the contradiction, only for the purpose of the Covered Entity's compliance with the Privacy Rule and only to the extent that it is reasonably impossible to comply with both the Contradictory Term and the terms of this Agreement.

8.13 **Governing Law**. This Agreement and any Underlying Agreement shall be governed by New York law notwithstanding any conflicts of law provisions to the contrary.

#### 9. DEFINITIONS.

- 9.1 The following terms used in this Agreement shall have the same meaning as those terms in the HIPAA Rules: Breach, Data Aggregation, Designated Record Set, Disclosure, Health Care Operations, Individual, Minimum Necessary, Notice of Privacy Practices, Protected Health Information, PHI, Required By Law, Secretary, Security Incident, Subcontractor, Unsecured Protected Health Information, and Use.
- 9.2 Specific definitions include:
- (a) <u>Business Associate</u>. "Business Associate" shall generally have the same meaning as the term "business associate" at 45 CFR 160.103, and in reference to the party to this Agreement, shall mean the Party identified as the Business Associate above.
- (b) Covered Entity. "Covered Entity" shall generally have the same meaning as the term "Covered Entity" at 45 CFR 160.103, and in reference to the party to this agreement, shall mean the Party identified as the Covered Entity above.
- (c) <u>HIPAA Rules</u>. "HIPAA Rules" shall mean the Privacy, Security, Breach Notification, and Enforcement Rules at 45 CFR Part 160 and Part 164.
- (d) <u>Electronic Protected Health Information or Electronic PHI</u>. "Electronic PHI" shall mean PHI which is transmitted by Electronic Media (as defined in the HIPAA Security and Privacy Rule) or maintained in Electronic Media.
- (e) Privacy Officer. "Privacy Officer" shall have the meaning as set out in its definition at 45 CFR § 164.530(a)(1) as such provision is currently drafted and as it is subsequently updated, amended or revised, and in reference to this Agreement, shall mean the person identified as the Privacy Officer above.
- (f) Privacy Rule. "Privacy Rule" shall mean the Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information at 45 CFR part 160 and part 164.
- (g) <u>Security Rule</u>. "Security Rule" shall mean the Standards for Security of Electronic Protected Health Information at 45 CFR Parts 160, 162, and 164.
- (h) A reference in this Agreement to a section in the <u>HIPAA Rules</u> means the section as in effect or as amended.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each of the undersigned has caused this Agreement to be duly executed in its name and on its behalf.

THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK on behalf of COVERED ENTITY

Ву:
Print Name:
Print Title:
Date:
Contract Number/Purchase Order Number:
BUSINESS ASSOCIATE
Ву:
Print Name:
Print Title:
Date:
MY)

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#### SUNY Downstate Medical Center: Compliance with Deficit Reduction Act of 2005

SUNY Downstate Medical Center Health Science Center at Brooklyn (DMC) is committed to conducting business in compliance with all applicable laws. To this end, we have an extensive Compliance Program in place to be followed by all employees and certain persons or entities with which we have contractual agreements.

As a participant in the Medicaid Program, we are obligated to comply with the terms and requirements of the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 (DRA). In accordance with the DRA, we have adopted written polices for all employees that provide detailed information about the Federal & New York False Claims Acts, the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act, other relevant state laws. whistleblower protections under such laws and DMC's policies for detecting and preventing waste, fraud and abuse.

The DRA also requires that we provide this information to all contractors and agents for your adoption. Accordingly, we are providing you with this exhibit which contains information regarding the applicable laws, as well as our Compliance Program which sets forth, in detail, our compliance policies and procedures for detecting and preventing fraud, waste and abuse. In addition, DMC has a Code of Ethics & Business Conduct that outlines the expected legal and ethical conduct of its personnel.

Please note that the Compliance Program and related materials are living documents that are subject to change as new regulations become effective and as policies & procedures are revised. In order to ensure that you are utilizing the most up-to-date version, you may always access our Compliance materials on our website at www.downstate.edu/compliance.

DMC has established a 24/7 Compliance Line as a mechanism for reporting activities, confidentially and anonymously, that may involve ethical violations or criminal conduct:

DMC COMPLIANCE LINE: 877-349-SUNY (telephone report) OR

"COMPLIANCE LINE" link on the bottom of DMC's web- page: www.downstate.edu (web report) DMC has a no tolerance policy for employees, agents, or vendors who are involved in any unlawful activity. To that end, we expect that you share our goals of eradicating fraud and abuse and, therefore, will comply with your obligations under the DRA.

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The following is a summary of the Federal & New York False Claims Acts, the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act and other relevant State laws as posted on the Office of Medicaid Inspector General's Provider Compliance website:

http://www.omig.state.ny.us/data/ima ges/stories//relevant\_fca\_statutes\_1 22209.pdf

#### I. FEDERAL LAWS

### 1) Federal False Claims Act (31 USC §§3729-3733)

The False Claims Act ("FCA")
provides, in pertinent part,
as follows:

§ 3729. False claims

- (a) Liability for certain acts. --
  - (1) In general.—Subject to paragraph (2), any person who—
- (A) knowingly presents, or causes to be presented, a false or fraudulent claim for payment or approval;
- (B) knowingly makes, uses, or causes to be made or used, a false record or statement material to a false or fraudulent claim;
- (C) conspires to commit a violation of subparagraph (A), (B), (D), (E), (F), or (G);
- (D) has possession, custody, or control of property or money used, or to be used, by the Government and knowingly delivers, or causes to be delivered, less than all of that money or property:
- (E) is authorized to make or deliver a document certifying receipt of property used, or to be used, by the Government and, intending to defraud the Government, makes or delivers the receipt without completely knowing that the information on the receipt is true.
- (F) knowingly buys, or receives as a pledge of an obligation or debt, public property from an officer or employee of the

- Government, or a member of the Armed Forces, who lawfully may not sell or pledge property; or
- (G) knowingly makes, uses, or causes to be made or used, a false record or statement material to an obligation to pay or transmit money or property to the Government, or knowingly conceals or knowingly and improperly avoids or decreases an obligation to pay or transmit money or property to the Government, is liable to the United States Government for a civil penalty of not less that \$5,000 and not more than \$10,000, as adjusted by the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act of 1990 (28 U.S.C. 2461) note; Public Law 104-410, plus 3 times the amount of damages which the Government sustains because of the act of that person.
  - (2) Reduced damages.—If the court finds that—
- (A) the person committing the violation of this subsection furnished officials of the United States responsible for investigating false claims violations with all information known to such person about the violation within 30 days after the date on which the defendant first obtained the information;
- (B) such person fully cooperated with any Government investigation of such violations; and
- (C) at the time such person furnished the United States with the information about the violation, no criminal prosecution, civil action, or administrative action had commenced under this title with respect to such violation, and the person did not have actual knowledge of the existence of an investigation into such violation, the court may assess not less than 2 times the amount of damages which the Government sustains because of the act of that person.
  - (3) Costs of civil actions.—A person violating this subsection shall also be liable to the United States Government for the costs of a civil action brought to recover any such penalty or damages.

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- (b) Definitions.—For purposes of this section—
  - (1) the terms "knowing" and "knowingly" –
- (A) mean that a person, with respect to the information—
  - (i) has actual knowledge of the information;
  - (ii) acts in deliberate ignorance of the truth or falsity of the information;
  - (iii) acts in reckless disregard of the truth or falsity of the information; and
- (B) require no proof of specific intent to defraud;
  - (2) the term "claim" -
- (A) means any request or demand, whether under a contract or otherwise, for money or property and whether or not the United States has title to the money or property, that—
  - (i) is presented to an officer, employee, or agent of the United States; or
  - (ii) is made to a contractor, grantee, or other recipient, if the money or property is to be spent or used on the Government's behalf or to advance a Government program or interest, and if the United States Government
    - provides or has provided any portion of the money or property requested or demanded; or
    - (II) will reimburse such contractor, grantee, or other recipient for any portion of the money or property which is requested or demanded; and
- (B) does not include requests or demands for money or property that the Government has paid to an individual as compensation for Federal employment or as an income subsidy with no restrictions on that individual's use of the money or property;
  - (3) the term "obligation" means an established duty, whether or not fixed, arising from an express or implied contractual,

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- grantor-grantee, licensor-licensee relationship, from a feebased or similar relationship, from statute or regulation, or from the retention of any overpayment; and
- (4) the term "material" means having a natural tendency to influence, or be capable of influencing, the payment or receipt of money or property.
- (c) Exemption from disclosure.— Any information furnished pursuant to subsection (a)(2) shall be exempt from disclosure under section 552 of title 5.
- (d) Exclusion.—This section does not apply to claims, records, or statements made under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

While the False Claims Act imposes liability only when the claimant acts "knowingly," it does not require that the person submitting the claim have actual knowledge that the claim is false. A person who acts in reckless disregard or in deliberate ignorance of the truth or falsity of the information, also can be found liable under the Act. 31 U.S.C. 3729(b).

In sum, the False Claims Act imposes liability on any person who submits a claim to the federal government, or submits a claim to entities administering government funds, that he or she knows (or should know) is false. An example may be a physician who submits a bill to Medicare for medical services she knows she has not provided. The False Claims Act also imposes liability on an individual who may knowingly submit a false record in order to obtain payment from the government. An example of this may include a government contractor who submits records that he knows (or should know) are false and that indicate compliance with certain contractual or regulatory requirements. The third area of liability includes those instances in which someone may obtain money from the federal government to which he may not be entitled, and then uses false statements or records in order to retain the money. An example of this so-called "reverse false claim" may include a hospital which obtains interim payments from Medicare or Medicaid throughout the year, and then knowingly files a false cost report at the end of the year in

order to avoid making a refund to the Medicare of Medicaid program.

In addition to its substantive provisions, the FCA provides that private parties may bring an action on behalf of the United States. 31 U.S.C. 3730 (b). These private parties, known as "qui tam relators," may share in a percentage of the proceeds from an FCA action or settlement.

Section 3730(d)(1) of the FCA provides, with some exceptions, that a qui tam relator, when the Government has intervened in the lawsuit, shall receive at least 15 percent but not more than 25 percent of the proceeds of the FCA action depending upon the extent to which the relator substantially contributed to the prosecution of the action. When the Government does not intervene, section 3730(d)(2) provides that the relator shall receive an amount that the court decides is reasonable and shall not be less than 25 percent and not more than 30 percent.

# 3. Administrative Remedies for False Claims (31 USC Chapter 38. §§ 3801 – 3812)

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This statute allows for administrative recoveries by federal agencies. If a person submits a claim that the person knows is false or contains false information, or omits material information, the agency receiving the claim may impose a penalty of up to \$5,000 for each claim. The agency may also recover twice the amount of the claim.

Unlike the False Claims Act, a violation of this law occurs when a false claim is submitted rather than when it is paid. Also unlike the False Claims Act, the determination of whether a claim is false and the imposition of fines and penalties is made by the administrative agency, not by prosecution in the federal court system.

#### **II. NEW YORK STATE LAWS**

New York State False Claim Laws fall under the jurisdiction of both New York's civil and administrative laws, as well as its criminal laws. Some apply to recipient false claims and some apply to provider false claims. The majority of these statutes are specific to healthcare or Medicaid. Yet, some of the "common law" crimes apply to areas of interaction with the government and so, are

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applicable to health care fraud and will be listed in this section.

### A. CIVIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE LAWS

#### 1) New York False Claims Act (State Finance Law §§187-194)

The New York False Claims Act is similar to the Federal False Claims Act. It imposes penalties and fines upon individuals and entities who knowingly file false or fraudulent claims for payment from any state or local government, including health care programs such as Medicaid. It also has a provision regarding reverse false claims similar to the federal FCA such that a person or entity will be liable in those instances in which the person obtains money from a state or local government to which he may not be entitled and then uses false statements or records in order to retain the money.

The penalty for filing a false claim is six to twelve thousand dollars per claim plus three times the amount of the damages which the state or local government sustains because of the act of that person. In addition, a person who violates this act is liable for costs, including attorneys' fees, of a civil action brought to recover any such penalty.

The Act allows private individuals to file lawsuits in state court, just as if they were state or local government parties, subject to various possible limitations imposed by the NYS Attorney General or a local government. If the suit eventually concludes with payments back to the government, the person who started the case can recover twenty-five to thirty percent of the proceeds if the government did not participate in the suit, or fifteen to twenty-five percent if the government did participate in the suit.

#### 2) <u>Social Services Law, Section</u> 145-b - False Statements

It is a violation to knowingly obtain or attempt to obtain payment for items or services furnished under any Social Service program, including Medicaid, by use of a false statement, deliberate concealment or other fraudulent scheme or device. The state or local Social Services district may recover three times the amount incorrectly paid. In addition, the Department of Health may impose a civil penalty of up to ten thousand dollars per violation. If repeat violations occur within five

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years, a penalty of up to thirty thousand dollars per violation may be imposed if the repeat violations involve more serious violations of Medicaid rules, billing for services not rendered, or providing excessive services.

#### 3) <u>Social Services Law, Section</u> 145-c - Sanctions

If any person applies for or receives public assistance, including Medicaid, by intentionally making a false or misleading statement, or intending to do so, the needs of the individual or that of his family shall not be taken into account for the purpose of determining his or her needs or that of his family for six months if a first offense, for twelve months if a second offense (or if benefits wrongfully received are at least one thousand dollars but not more than three thousand nine hundred dollars), for eighteen months if a third offense (or if benefits wrongfully received are in excess of three thousand nine hundred dollars), and five years for any subsequent occasion of any such offense.

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#### B. CRIMINAL LAWS

#### 1) <u>Social Services Law, Section</u> 145 - Penalties

Any person who submits false statements or deliberately conceals material information in order to receive public assistance, including Medicaid, is guilty of a misdemeanor.

#### 2) <u>Social Services Law, Section</u> 366-b – Penalties for <u>Fraudulent Practices</u>

- a. Any person who obtains or attempts to obtain, for himself or others, medical assistance by means of a false statement, concealment of material facts, impersonation or other fraudulent means is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.
- b. Any person who, with intent to defraud, presents for payment a false or fraudulent claim for furnishing services, knowingly submits false information to obtain greater Medicaid compensation, or knowingly submits false information in order to obtain authorization to provide items or services is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

#### 3) Penal Law Article 155 -Larceny

The crime of larceny applies to a person who, with intent to deprive another of his property, obtains, takes or withholds the property by means of trick, embezzlement, false pretense, false promise, including a scheme to defraud, or other similar behavior. This statute has been applied to Medicaid fraud cases.

- Forth degree grand larceny involves property valued over \$1,000. It is a class E felony.
- Third degree grand larceny involves property valued over \$3,000. It is a class D felony.
- Second degree grand larceny involves property valued over \$50,000. It is a class C felony.
- first degree grand larceny involves property valued over \$1 million. It is a class B felony.

### 4) Penal Law Article 175 - False Written Statements

Four crimes in this Article relate to filing false information or claims and have been applied in Medicaid fraud prosecutions:

- §175.05 Falsifying business records involves entering false information, omitting material information or altering an enterprise's business records with the intent to defraud. It is a class A misdemeanor.
- §175.10 Falsifying business records in the first degree includes the elements of the §175.05 offense and includes the intent to commit another crime or conceal its commission. It is a class E felony.
- c. §175.30 Offering a false instrument for filing in the second degree involves presenting a written instrument, including a claim for payment, to a public office knowing that it contains false information. It is a class A misdemeanor.
- d. §175.35 Offering a false instrument for filing in the first degree includes the elements of the second degree offense and must include an intent to defraud the state or a political subdivision. It is a class E felony.

#### 5) Penal Law Article 176 – Insurance Fraud

This law applies to claims for insurance payments, including

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Medicaid or other health insurance, and contains six crimes

- Insurance Fraud in the 5<sup>th</sup> degree involves intentionally filing a health insurance claim knowing that it is false. It is a class A misdemeanor.
- Insurance fraud in the 4<sup>th</sup> degree is filing a false insurance claim for over \$1,000.
   It is a class E felony.
- Insurance fraud in the 3<sup>rd</sup> degree is filing a false insurance claim for over \$3,000.
   It is a class D felony.
- d. Insurance fraud in the 2<sup>nd</sup> degree is filing a false insurance claim for over \$50,000. It is a class C felony.
- e. Insurance fraud in the 1st degree is filing a false insurance claim for over \$1 million. It is a class B felony.
- f. Aggravated insurance fraud is committing insurance fraud more than once. It is a class D felony.

#### 6) Penal Law Article 177 – Health Care Fraud

This statute, enacted in 2006, applies to health care fraud crimes. It was designed to address the specific conduct by health care providers who defraud the system including any publicly or privately funded health insurance or managed care plan or contract, under which any health care item or service is provided. Medicaid is considered to be a single health plan under this statute.

This law primarily applies to claims by providers for insurance payment, including Medicaid payment, and it includes six crimes.

- a. Health care fraud in the 5<sup>th</sup> degree A person is guilty of this crime when, with intent to defraud a health plan, he or she knowingly and willfully provides materially false information or omits material information for the purpose of requesting payment from a health plan.

  This is a class A misdemeanor.
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  b. Health care fraud in the 4<sup>th</sup> degree A person is guilty of this crime upon filing such false claims on more than one occasion and annually receives more than three thousand dollars. This is a class E felony.

  c. Health care fraud in the 3<sup>rd</sup>
- c. Health care fraud in the 3<sup>rd</sup> degree A person is guilty of this crime upon filing such false claims on more than one occasion and annually receiving over ten thousand dollars. This is a class D felony.

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- d. Health care fraud in the 2<sup>nd</sup> degree A person is guilty of this crime upon filing such false claims on more than one occasion and annually receiving over fifty thousand dollars. This is a class C felony.
- e. Health care fraud in the 1<sup>st</sup> degree A person is guilty of this crime upon filing such false claims on more than one occasion and annually receiving over one million dollars. This is a class B felony.

### III. WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTION

### 1) Federal False Claims Act (31 U.S.C. §3730(h))

The Federal False Claims Act provides protection to qui tam relators (individuals who commence a False Claims action) who are discharged, demoted, suspended, threatened, harassed, or in any other manner discriminated against in the terms and conditions of their employment as a result of their furtherance of an action under the FCA. 31 U.S.C. 3730(h). Remedies reinstatement comparable seniority as the qui tam relator would have had but for the discrimination, two times the amount of any back pay, interest on any back pay, and compensation for any special damages sustained as a result of the discrimination, including litigation costs and reasonable attorneys' fees.

#### 2) New York State False Claims Act (State Finance Law §191)

The New York State False Claims Act also provides protection to qui tam relators (individuals who commence in a False Claims action) who are discharged, demoted, suspended, threatened, harassed, or in any other manner discriminated against in the terms and conditions of their employment as a result of their furtherance of an action under Remedies include the Act. reinstatement with comparable seniority as the qui tam relator would have had but for the discrimination. two times the amount of any back pay, interest on any back pay, and compensation for any special damages sustained as a result of the discrimination, including litigation costs and reasonable attorneys' fees.

#### 3) New York State Labor Law, Section 740

An employer may not take any retaliatory action against employee if the employee discloses information about the employer's policies, practices or activities to a regulatory, law enforcement or other similar agency or public official. Protected disclosures are those that assert that the employer is in violation of the law that creates a substantial and specific danger to the public health and safety or which constitutes health care fraud under Penal Law §177 (knowingly filing, with intent to defraud, a claim for payment that intentionally has false information or omissions). employee's disclosure is protected only if the employee first brought up the matter with a supervisor and gave the employer a reasonable opportunity to correct the alleged violation. If an employer takes a retaliatory action against the employee, the employee may sue in state court for reinstatement to the same, or an equivalent position, any lost back wages and benefits and attorneys' fees. If the employer is a health provider and the court finds that the employer's retaliatory action was in bad faith, it may impose a civil penalty of \$10,000 on the employer.

#### 4) New York State Labor Law, Section 741

A health care employer may not take any retaliatory action against an employee if the employee discloses certain information about the employer's policies, practices or activities to a regulatory, law enforcement or other similar agency public official. Protected disclosures are those that assert that, in good faith, the employee believes constitute improper quality of patient care. The employee's disclosure is protected only if the employee first brought up the matter with a supervisor and gave the employer a reasonable opportunity to correct the alleged violation. unless the danger is imminent to the public or patient and the employee believes in good faith that reporting to a supervisor would not result in corrective action. If an employer takes a retaliatory action against the employee, the employee may sue in state court for reinstatement to the same, or an equivalent position, any lost back wages and benefits and attorneys' fees. If the employer is a health care provider and the court finds that the employer's retaliatory action was in bad faith, it may impose a civil penalty of \$10,000 on the employer.

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# SECTION III

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### MANDATORY SUBMISSION CHECKLIST FOR PART Q PROCUREMENT

Procure	rement # and Name:			
Vendo	or Name: Vend	lor Contact:		
Contac	act E-Mail: Cont	Contact Phone Number:		
Admin 1. $\square$	nistrative Forms (in required documentation order) NYSFL §§139(j) & (k) Acknowledgement Form (Pleaupon receipt of the procurement package, and inclusion).	- ·		
2. □	NYSFL §§139(j) & (k) Forms A, B, and C			
3. □	Vendor Responsibility Questionnaire			
4. □	ST220-CA Form			
5. □	Copy of the completed ST220-TD Form ( <b>Please send Department</b> )	the original to the NYS Tax		
<b>6.</b> □	Consultant Reporting Disclosure Form A & Form B			
7.	C-105.2 Form (to be completed by your current NYS provider)	Workers' Compensation Insurance		
8. 🗆	DB-120.1 Form (to be completed by your NYS Disabi	ility Benefits Insurance provider)		
	or Proposal Components  Company Background  Years of Experience  Resumes of Project Leaders	Staffing Plan		
10. □	Technical Proposal  ☐ Response to each specification ☐  ☐ Project Plan ☐  ☐ Expectations from, and requirements of, SUNY-D	List of deliverables All applicable timelines MC		
11. □	Three References			
12. □	Price Proposal Matrix			
13. □	MWBE Utilization Plan (if applicable)			
14. 🗆	Cover Letter			

#### <u>ACKNOWLEDGMENT FORM</u> PROCUREMENT LOBBYING LAW (SFL §139 J and §139 K)

Subject: Procurement Number and Title:
Pursuant to State Finance Law § §139-j and 139-k (the "Procurement Lobbying Law"), this solicitation
involves restrictions on communications between a potential vendor, or person acting on behalf of

Pursuant to State Finance Law § §139-j and 139-k (the "Procurement Lobbying Law"), this solicitation involves restrictions on communications between a potential vendor, or person acting on behalf of a vendor (the "Offeror") and SUNY-Downstate. Specifically, during the "Restricted Period" (as defined below) of a procurement process, Offerers are restricted from communicating with any SUNY-Downstate employees other than those employees listed below (the "Designated Contacts"). Additionally, Offerors are prohibited from making "Contacts" (as defined below). The designated staff member(s), as of the date hereof, is identified below.

This Acknowledgment Form constitutes notice that the Restricted Period has commenced for the referenced procurement.

SUNY-Downstate is required to record all Contacts, and, generally, <u>must deny a contract award to an Offeror involved in a knowing and willful Contact</u>. Additionally, a determination that an Offeror has provided inaccurate or incomplete information as to its past compliance with State Finance Law §§139-j and 139-k is likely to result in denial of the award of contract under this solicitation. Additional sanctions may apply.

Further information about these requirements can be found on the following website: <a href="http://www.ogs.state.ny.us/purchase/AboutPSG.asp">http://www.ogs.state.ny.us/purchase/AboutPSG.asp</a>

<u>Contact:</u> any oral, written or electronic communication with any employee of SUNY Downstate Medical Center under circumstances where a reasonable person would infer that the communication was intended to influence the procurement.

<u>Restricted Period</u>: the period of time commencing with the earliest written notice, advertisement or solicitation of a request for proposal, invitation for bids, or solicitation of proposals, or any other method for soliciting a response from Offerers intending to result in a procurement contract with SUNY Downstate Medical Center and ending with the final contract award and approval/execution of such contract by SUNY-Downstate and, where applicable, the Office of the State Comptroller.

#### <u>Designated Contact(s)</u>:

(1) Designated Cor	<u>ntact</u>	(2) Designated Contact
Name:		Name:
Title:		Title:
Department:		Department:
E-mail:		E-mail:
Phone:		Phone:
Fax:	Acknowledgment Page to I	Fax: Follow on Page 2 of 2

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By signing below, the Offeror acknowledges and affirms its understanding of, and agreement to comply with, the Procurement Lobbying.

An Offeror's failure to comply with the requirements of this Acknowledgment Form and/or with the Procurement Lobbying Law will result in disqualification from consideration for an award under the referenced procurement.

#### Offeror's Affirmation of Understanding and Adherence

By signing below, I (Print Name)	
Title)	, an authorized representative of
(Insert Company Name)	, hereby acknowledge and affirm that
(Insert Company Name)	understands, and agrees to comply with,
the Procurement Lobbying Law.	
Signature	Date
Subject: Procurement Number and Title:	

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#### FORM A

#### Summary: Policy and Procedure of the State University of New York Relating to State Finance Law §§139-j and 139-k

State Finance Law §§139-j and 139-k, enacted by Ch. 1 L. 2005, as amended by Ch. 596 L. 2005, effective January 1, 2006, regulate lobbying on government procurement, including procurements by State University to obtain commodities and services and to undertake real estate transactions.

Generally, the law restricts communications between a potential vendor or a person acting on behalf of the vendor, including its lobbyist, to communications with the officers and employees of the procuring agency designated in each solicitation to receive such communications. Further, the law prohibits a communication (a "Contact") which a reasonable person would infer as an attempt to unduly influence the award, denial or amendment of a contract. These restrictions apply to each contract in excess of \$15,000 during the "restricted period" (the time commencing with the earliest written notice of the proposed procurement and ending with the later of approval of the final contract by the agency, or, if applicable, the State Comptroller). The agency must record all Contacts, and, generally, must deny an award of contract to a vendor involved in a knowing and willful Contact. Each agency must develop guidelines and procedures regarding Contacts and procedures for the reporting and investigation of Contacts. The agency's procurement record must demonstrate compliance with these new requirements.

Accordingly, neither a potential vendor nor a person acting on behalf of the vendor should contact any individual at State University other than the person designated in this solicitation as State University's Designated Contact, nor attempt to unduly influence award of the contract. State University will make a record of all Contacts, and such records of Contact will become part of the procurement record for this solicitation. A determination that a vendor or a person acting on behalf of the vendor has made intentionally a Contact or provided inaccurate or incomplete information as to its past compliance with State Finance Law §§139-j and 139-k is likely to result in denial of the award of contract under this solicitation. Additional sanctions may apply.

A complete copy of the State University of New York Procurement Lobbying Policy and Procedure is available for review at www.suny.info/policies.

#### FORM B

### Affirmation with respect to State Finance Law §§139-j and 139-k

A complete copy of the State University of New York Procurement Lobbying Policy and Procedure is available for review at www.suny.info/policies.

Procurement Description/ID No.:
Offeror <b>AFFIRMS</b> that it has reviewed and understands the Policy and Procedure of the State University of New York, relating to State Finance Law §§139-j and 139-k, and agrees to comply with State University's procedure relating to Contacts with respect to this procurement.
Name of Offeror:
Address:
Person Submitting Form:
Signature:
Name:
Title:

### FORM C

### Disclosure and Certification with respect to State Finance Law §§139-j and 139-k

Procurement Description/ID No.:  1. Has a Governmental Entity, as defined in State Finance Law §139-j(1)(a), made a
determination of non-responsibility with respect to the Offeror within the previous four years where such finding was due to a violation of State Finance Law §139-j or the intentional provision of false or incomplete information with respect to previous determinations of no responsibility?
No Yes If yes, provide the following details: Governmental Entity which made the finding:
Date of finding:
Basis of finding:
2. Has a Governmental Entity terminated or withheld a procurement contract with the Offer because of violations of State Finance Law §139-j or the intentional provision of false or incomplete information with respect to previous determinations of non-responsibility?
No  Yes  If yes, identify the following: Governmental Entity which terminated the contract:
Date of contract termination or withholding:
Identify the related procurement contract:
SUNY Downstate Medical Center reserves the right to terminate this contract in the event it is found that the certification filed by the Offeror in accordance with New York State Finance Law Section 139-k was intentionally false or intentionally incomplete. Upon such finding, the Governmental Entity may exercise its termination right by providing written notification to the Offeror in accordance with the written notification terms of this contract.
Offeror <b>CERTIFIES</b> that all information provided by Offeror with respect to its compliance with State Finance Law §§139-j and 139-k is complete, true and accurate.
Name of Offeror:
Address: City, State, Zip:
Signature of Person Submitting Form:
Name:
Title:

# Model Form for Governmental Entity Report of Contact under State Finance Law §139-k(4)

#### **Background:**

New York State Finance Law §139-k(4) obligates every Governmental Entity during the Restricted Period of a Procurement Contract to make a written record of any Contacts made. The term "Contact" is defined by statute and refers to those oral, written or electronic communications that a reasonable person would infer are attempts to influence the Governmental Procurement. In addition to obtaining the required identifying information, the Governmental Entity must inquire and record whether the person or organization that made the Contact was the Offerer or was retained, employed or designated on behalf of the Offerer to appear before or Contact the Governmental Entity.

It should be noted that State Finance Law §139-k(6) provides:

[a]ny communications received by a governmental entity from members of the state legislature, or legislative staffs, when acting in their official capacity, shall not be considered to be a "contact" within the meaning of this section and shall not be recorded by a governmental entity pursuant to this section.

#### **Instructions:**

This model form is for use by the Governmental Entity and may be used for each Procurement Contract governed by State Finance Law §139-k. All recorded Contacts shall be included in the procurement record for the Procurement Contract. This model form was designed to collect information about initial and subsequent Contacts on the specified procurement contract during the Restricted Period. However, a separate form must be completed for **each** person or organization that Contacts the Governmental Entity about each Procurement Contract. Additional information and guidance on the "restricted period" and permissible Contacts can be found in the guidelines issued by the Advisory Council on Procurement Lobbying, which can be found on the OGS website at <a href="http://www.ogs.state.ny.us/aboutOgs/regulations/defaultAdvisoryCouncil.html">http://www.ogs.state.ny.us/aboutOgs/regulations/defaultAdvisoryCouncil.html</a>.

It is recommended that Governmental Entities advise Offerers and those designated, employed or retained by Offerers of the intention to record the Contact. It is also recommended that information be provided regarding to Offerers and others about the statutory Restricted Period, Designated Contacts and the Permitted Contacts.

While the model form includes a section where the nature of the Contact may be recorded, such information is not statutorily required to be reported. Where such information is recorded, the Governmental Entity may in its discretion conform its collection with its other procurement practices.

#### NEW YORK STATE

BUSINESS ENTITY INFORMATION							
Legal Business Name		EIN					
Address of the Principal Place of Business/Executive Office		New York State Vendor Identification Number					
				•	Telephone ext.	Fax	
Email				Webs	ite		
Authorized Conta	act for this Questionnaire						
Name:					Telephone ext.	Fax	
Title					Email		
List any other DE (active or inactive		entity, or EIN used in the	ne last five	e (5) ye	ears, the state or county where fi	lled, and	the status
Туре	Name		EIN		State or County where filed		Status
I. BUSINESS CI	HARACTERISTICS						
1.0 Business Ent	ity Type – Please check ap	propriate box and prov	ide additio	onal int	formation:		
	oration (including PC)	Date of Incorporation					
b) Limite	ed Liability Co. or PLLC)  Date Organized						
c) 🔲 Limit	ed Liability Partnership	Date of Registration					
d) Limite	ed Partnership	Date Established					
e) Gener	ral Partnership	Date Established County (if formed in NYS)					
f) Sole I	Proprietor	How many years in business?					
g) Other							
If Other, ex	plain:						
1.1 Was the Busi	ness Entity formed in New	York State?				Yes	☐ No
If "No," indic	cate jurisdiction where Bus	iness Entity was forme	ed:				
United States State							
Other Country							
1.2 Is the Business Entity currently registered to do business in New York State with the Department of State?  Note: Select 'not required' if the Business Entity is a General Partnership.							
If "No," explain why the Business Entity is not required to be registered in New York State.							
1.3 Is the Business Entity registered as a Sales Tax vendor with the New York State Department of Tax and Finance?							
Explain and provide detail, such as 'not required,' 'application in process,' or other reasons for not being registered.							

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I. BUSINESS CHARACTERISTICS					
1.4 Is the Business Entity a Joint Venture? Note: If the submitting Business Entity is a Joint Venture, also submit a separate questionnaire for the Business Entity compromising the Joint Venture.					_ No
1.5 Does the Business Entity have an active Charities Registration Number?					No
Enter Number:					
If exempt, explain:					
If an application is pending, enter date of applica	tion:	Atta	ch a copy of the application		
1.6 Does the Business Entity have a DUNS Number	•			Yes [	No
Enter DUNS Number					
1.7 Is the Business Entity's principal place of busine If "No," does the Business Entity maintain an of			ork State?	Yes [	□ No □ No
Provide the address and telephone number for one N	w York Office.				
1.8 Is the Business Entity's principal place of business	ss/executive offic	e:			
Owned					
Rented Landlord Name (if 'rented')					
Other Provide explanation (if 'other')					
Is space shared with another Business Entity?				Yes [	No
Name of other Business Entity					
Address					_
City State		Zip Code	Country	1	
1.9 Is the Business Entity a Minority Community Ba				Yes [	No
1.10 Identify current Key Employees of the Busines	Entity. Attach ac	dditional pag	es if necessary.		
Name	Title				
Name	Title				
Name	Title				
Name	Title				
1.11 Identify current Trustees/Board Members of the	Business Entity.	Attach addit	ional pages if necessary.		
Name	Title				
Name	Title				
Name	Title				
Name	Title				
II. AFFILIATES AND JOINT VENTURE RELATIONSHIPS					
2.0 Does the Business Entity have any Affiliates? Attach additional pages if necessary (If no, production)	2.0 Does the Business Entity have any Affiliates?  Attach additional pages if necessary (If no, proceed to Section III)				
Affiliate Name  Affiliate EIN (If available)  Affiliate's Primary Business Activity					
Explain relationship with the Affiliate and indicate percent ownership, if applicable (enter N/A, if not applicable):					
Are there any Business Entity Officials or Principal Owners that the Business Entity has in common with this Affiliate?					
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III. CONTRACT HISTORY				
3.0 Has the Business Entity held any contracts with New York State government entities in the last three (3) years? If "Yes," attach a list including the Contract Number, Agency Name, Contract Amount, Contract Start Date, Contract End Date, and the Contract Description.	Yes No			
IV. INTEGRITY – CONTRACT BIDDING				
Within the past five (5) years, has the Business Entity or any Affiliate				
4.0 Been suspended or debarred from any government contracting process or been disqualified on any government procurement?	Yes No			
4.1 Been subject to a denial or revocation of a government prequalification?	Yes No			
4.2 Been denied a contract or had a bid rejected based upon a finding of non-responsibility by a government entity?	Yes No			
4.3 Agreed to a voluntary exclusion from bidding/contracting with a government entity?	☐ Yes ☐ No			
4.4 Initiated a request to withdraw a bid submitted to a government entity or made any claim of an error on a bid submitted to a government entity?	Yes No			
For each "Yes" answer, provide an explanation of the issue(s), the Business Entity involved, the relationship to the Business Entity, the government entity involved, relevant dates and any remedial or corrective action(s) taken and the issue(s). Provide answer below or attach additional sheets with numbered responses.				
V. INTEGRITY – CONTRACT AWARD				
Within the past five (5) years, has the Business Entity or any Affiliate				
5.0 Been suspended, cancelled or terminated for cause on any government contract?	Yes No			
5.1 Been subject to an administrative proceeding or civil action seeking specific performance or restitution in connection with any government contract?	Yes No			
5.2 Entered into a formal monitoring agreement as a condition of a contract award from a government entity?	Yes No			
For each "Yes" answer, provide an explanation of the issue(s), the Business Entity involved, the relationship to the submitting Business Entity, the government entity involved, relevant dates and any remedial or corrective action(s) taken and the current status of the issue(s). Provide answer below or attach additional sheets with numbered responses.				
VI. CERTIFICATIONS/LICENSES				
6.0 Within the past five (5) years, has the Business Entity or any Affiliate had a revocation, suspension or disbarment of any business or professional permit and/or license?	Yes No			
If "Yes," provide an explanation of the issue(s), the Business Entity involved, the relationship to the submitting Business Entity, the government entity involved, relevant dates and any remedial or corrective action(s) taken and the current status of the issue(s). Provide answer below or attach additional sheets with numbered responses.				
VII. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS				
Within the past five (5) years, has the Business Entity or any Affiliate				
7.0 Been the subject of an investigation, whether open or closed, by any government entity for a civil or criminal violation?	Yes No			
7.1 Been the subject of an indictment, grant of immunity, judgment or conviction (including entering into a plea bargain) for conduct constituting a crime?	Yes No			
7.2 Received any OSHA citation and Notification of Penalty containing a violation classified as serious or willful?	☐ Yes ☐ No			
7.3 Had any New York State Labor Law violation deemed willful?	☐ Yes ☐ No			

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VII. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS			
Within the past five (5) years, has the Business Entity or any Affiliate			
7.4 Entered into a consent order with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, or a federal, state or local government enforcement determination involving a violation of federal, state or local environmental laws?	Yes No		
<ul> <li>7.5 Other than the previously disclosed:</li> <li>(i) Been subject to the imposition of a fine or penalty in excess of \$1,000, imposed by any government entity as a result of the issuance of citation, summons or notice of violation, or pursuant to any administrative, regulatory, or judicial determination; or</li> <li>(ii) Been charged or convicted of a criminal offense pursuant to any administrative and/or regulatory action taken by any government entity?</li> </ul>	Yes No		
For each "Yes" answer, provide an explanation of the issue(s), the Business Entity involved, the relationship to the Business Entity, the government entity involved, relevant dates and any remedial or corrective action(s) taken and the issue(s). Provide answer below or attach additional sheets with numbered responses.			
VIII. LEADERSHIP INTEGRITY			
Note: If the Business Entity is a Joint Venture, answer 'N/A- Not Applicable' to questions 8.0 through 8.4.			
Within the past five (5) years, has any individual previously identified, any other Key Employees not previously individual having the authority to sign execute or approve bids, proposals, contracts or supporting documentati State been subject to			
8.0 A sanction imposed relative to any business or professional permit and/or license?	Yes No		
8.1 An investigation, whether open or closed, by any government entity for a civil or criminal violation for any business related conduct?	Yes No		
8.2 An indictment, grant of immunity, judgment, or conviction of any business related conduct constituting a crime including, but not limited to, fraud, extortion, bribery, racketeering, price fixing, bid collusion or any crime related to truthfulness?	Yes No		
<ul> <li>8.3 Misdemeanor or felony charge, indictment or conviction for: <ol> <li>(i) any business-related activity including but not limited to fraud, coercion, extortion, bribe or bribe-receiving, giving or accepting unlawful gratuities, immigration or tax fraud, racketeering, mail fraud, wire fraud, price fixing or collusive bidding; or</li> <li>(ii) any crime, whether or not business related, the underlying conduct of which related to truthfulness, including but not limited to the filing of false documents or false sworn statements, perjury or larceny?</li> </ol> </li></ul>	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A		
8.4 A debarment from any government contracting process?	Yes No		
For each "Yes" answer, provide an explanation of the issue(s), the individual involved, the relationship to the submitting Business Entity, the government entity involved, relevant dates and any remedial or corrective action(s) taken and the current status of the issue(s). Provide answer below or attach additional sheets with numbered responses.			

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IX. FINANCIAL AND ORGANIZATIONAL CAPACITY		
9.0 Within the past five (5) years, has the Business Entity or any Affiliates received any formal unsatisfactory performance assessment(s) from any government entity on any contract?	Yes	☐ No
If "Yes," provide an explanation of the issue(s), the Business Entity involved, the relationship to the submitting Bugovernment entity involved, relevant dates and any remedial or corrective action(s) taken and the current status of Provide answer below or attach additional sheets with numbered responses.		
9.1 Within the past five (5) years, has the Business Entity or any Affiliates had any liquidated damages assessed over \$25,000?	Yes	☐ No
If "Yes," provide an explanation of the issue(s), the Business Entity involved, the relationship to the submitting Business Entity involved, the amount assessed and the current status of the issue(s). Provide answer below or att sheets with numbered responses.		
9.2 Within the past five (5) years, has the Business Entity or any Affiliates had any liens, claims or judgments over \$15,000 filed against the Business Entity which remain undischarged or were unsatisfied for more than 120 days?	Yes	□ No
If "Yes," provide an explanation of the issue(s), the Business Entity involved, the relationship to the submitting Burelevant dates, the lien holder or claimant's name(s), the amount of the lien(s), claim(s), or judgments(s) and the cuissue(s). Provide answer below or attach additional sheets with numbered responses.		
9.3 Within the last seven (7) years, has the Business Entity or any Affiliate initiated or been the subject of any bankruptcy proceedings, whether or not closed, regardless of the date of filing, or is any bankruptcy proceeding pending?	Yes	□ No
If "Yes," provide the Business Entity involved, the relationship to the submitting Business Entity, the Bankruptcy the Court name, the Docket Number. Indicate the current status of the proceedings as "Initiated," "Pending" or "Canswer below or attach additional sheets with numbered responses.		
9.4 During the past three (3) years, has the Business Entity and any Affiliates failed to file or pay any tax returns required by federal, state or local tax laws?	Yes	☐ No
If "Yes," provide the Business Entity involved, the relationship to the submitting Business Entity, the taxing jurisd or other), the type of tax, the liability year(s), the Tax Liability amount the Business Entity failed to file/pay, and the Tax Liability. Provide answer below or attach additional sheets with numbered responses.		
9.5 During the past three (3) years, has the Business Entity and any Affiliates failed to file or pay any New York State unemployment insurance returns?	Yes	□ No
If "Yes," provide the Business Entity involved, the relationship to the submitting Business Entity, the year(s) the B failed to file/pay the insurance, explain the situation, and any remedial or corrective action(s) taken and the current issue(s). Provide answer below or attach additional sheets with numbered responses.		
9.6 During the past three (3) years, has the Business Entity or any Affiliates had any government audits? If "Yes," did any audit reveal material weaknesses in the Business Entity's system of internal controls If "Yes," did any audit reveal non-compliance with contractual agreements or any material disallowance (if not previously disclosed in 9.6)?	Yes Yes Yes	☐ No ☐ No ☐ No
For each "Yes" answer, provide an explanation of the issue(s), the Business Entity involved, the relationship to the Business Entity, the government entity involved, relevant dates and any remedial or corrective action(s) taken and the issue(s). Provide answer below or attach additional sheets with numbered responses.		

# NEW YORK STATE VENDOR RESPONSIBILITY QUESTIONNAIRE NOT-FOR-PROFIT BUSINESS ENTITY

X. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION LAW (FOIL)	
10.0 Indicate whether any information supplied herein is believed to be exempt from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Law (FOIL). Note: A determination of whether such information is exempt from FOIL will be made at the time of any request for disclosure under FOIL.	☐ Yes ☐ No
Indicate the question number(s) and explain the basis for your claim.	

# NEW YORK STATE VENDOR RESPONSIBILITY QUESTIONNAIRE NOT-FOR-PROFIT BUSINESS ENTITY

#### Certification

The undersigned: (1) recognizes that this questionnaire is submitted for the express purpose of assisting New York State government entities (including the Office of the State Comptroller (OSC)) in making responsibility determinations regarding award or approval of a contract or subcontract and that such government entities will rely on information disclosed in the questionnaire in making responsibility determinations; (2) acknowledges that the New York State government entities and OSC may, in their discretion, by means which they may choose, verify the truth and accuracy of all statements made herein; and (3) acknowledges that intentional submission of false or misleading information may result in criminal penalties under State and/or Federal Law, as well as a finding of non-responsibility, contract suspension or contract termination.

#### The undersigned certifies that he/she:

- is knowledgeable about the submitting Business Entity's business and operations;
- has read and understands all of the questions contained in the questionnaire;
- has not altered the content of the questionnaire in any manner;
- has reviewed and/or supplied full and complete responses to each question;
- to the best of his/her knowledge, information and belief, confirms that the Business Entity's responses are true, accurate and complete, including all attachments, if applicable;
- understands that New York State government entities will rely on the information disclosed in the questionnaire when entering into a contract with the Business Entity; and
- is under an obligation to update the information provided herein to include any material changes to the Business Entity's responses at the time of bid/proposal submission through the contract award notification, and may be required to update the information at the request of the New York State government entities or OSC prior to the award and/or approval of a contract, or during the term of the contract.

Signature of Owner/Official				
Printed Name of Signatory				
Title				
Name of Business				
Address				
City, State, Zip				
Sworn to before me this	day of		; 20;	
		Notary Public		



New York State Department of Taxation and Finance

# Contractor Certification to Covered Agency (Pursuant to Section 5-a of the Tax Law, as amended, effective April 26, 2006)

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For information, consult Publication 223, Questions and Answers Concerning Tax Law Section 5-a (see Need Help? on back).

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#### **Instructions**

#### **General information**

Tax Law section 5-a was amended, effective April 26, 2006. On or after that date, in all cases where a contract is subject to Tax Law section 5-a, a contractor must file (1) Form ST-220-CA, Contractor Certification to Covered Agency, with a covered agency, and (2) Form ST-220-TD with the Tax Department before a contract may take effect. The circumstances when a contract is subject to section 5-a are listed in Publication 223, Q&A 3. See Need help? for more information on how to obtain this publication. In addition, a contractor must file a new Form ST-220-CA with a covered agency before an existing contract with such agency may be renewed.

Note: Form ST-220-CA must be signed by a person authorized to make the certification on behalf of the contractor, and the acknowledgement on page 2 of this form must be completed before a notary public.

#### When to complete this form

As set forth in Publication 223, a contract is subject to section 5-a, and you must make the required certification(s), if:

- i. The procuring entity is a covered agency within the meaning of the statute (see Publication 223, Q&A 5);
- ii. The contractor is a contractor within the meaning of the statute (see Publication 223, Q&A 6); and
- iii. The contract is a contract within the meaning of the statute. This is the case when it (a) has a value in excess of \$100,000 and (b) is a contract for commodities or services, as such terms are defined for purposes of the statute (see Publication 223, Q&A 8 and 9).

Furthermore, the procuring entity must have begun the solicitation to purchase on or after January 1, 2005, and the resulting contract must have been awarded, amended, extended, renewed, or assigned on or after April 26, 2006 (the effective date of the section 5-a amendments).

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#### **Privacy notification**

Notary Public

Registration No.

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This information will be used to determine and administer tax liabilities and, when authorized by law, for certain tax offset and exchange of tax information programs as well as for any other lawful purpose.

Information concerning quarterly wages paid to employees is provided to certain state agencies for purposes of fraud prevention, support enforcement, evaluation of the effectiveness of certain employment and training programs and other purposes authorized by law.

Failure to provide the required information may subject you to civil or criminal penalties, or both, under the Tax Law.

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New York State Department of Taxation and Finance

### Contractor Certification

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(Pursuant to Section 5-a of the Tax Law, as amended, effective April 26, 2006)

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Contractor name						
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#### General information

Section 5-a of the Tax Law, as amended, effective April 26, 2006, requires certain contractors awarded certain state contracts valued at more than \$100,000 to certify to the Tax Department that they are registered to collect New York State and local sales and compensating use taxes, if they made sales delivered by any means to locations within New York State of tangible personal property or taxable services having a cumulative value in excess of \$300,000, measured over a specified period. In addition, contractors must certify to the Tax Department that each affiliate and subcontractor exceeding such sales threshold during a specified period is registered to collect New York State and local sales and compensating use taxes. Contractors must also file a Form ST-220-CA, certifying to the procuring state entity that they filed Form ST-220-TD with the Tax Department and that the information contained on Form ST-220-TD is correct and complete as of the date they file Form ST-220-CA.

All sections must be completed including all fields on the top of this page, all sections on page 2, Schedule A on page 3, if applicable, and Individual, Corporation, Partnership, or LLC Acknowledgement on page 4. If you do not complete these areas, the form will be returned to you for completion.

For more detailed information regarding this form and section 5-a of the Tax Law, see Publication 223, Questions and Answers Concerning Tax Law Section 5-a, (as amended, effective April 26, 2006). See Need help? for more information on how to obtain this publication.

Note: Form ST-220-TD must be signed by a person authorized to make the certification on behalf of the contractor, and the acknowledgement on page 4 of this form must be completed before a notary public.

Mail completed form to:

**NYSTAX DEPARTMENT DATA ENTRY SECTION W A HARRIMAN CAMPUS ALBANY NY 12227** 

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### Schedule A — Listing of each entity (contractor, affiliate, or subcontractor) exceeding \$300,000 cumulative sales threshold

List the contractor, or affiliate, or subcontractor in Schedule A only if such entity exceeded the \$300,000 cumulative sales threshold during the specified sales tax guarters. See directions below. For more information, see Publication 223.

A Relationship to Contractor	B Name	C Address	D Federal ID Number	E Sales Tax ID Number	F Registration in progress

- Column A Enter C in column A if the contractor; A if an affiliate of the contractor; or S if a subcontractor.
- Column B Name If the entity is a corporation or limited liability company, enter the exact legal name as registered with the NY Department of State, if applicable. If the entity is a partnership or sole proprietor, enter the name of the partnership and each partner's given name, or the given name(s) of the owner(s), as applicable. If the entity has a different DBA (doing business as) name, enter that name as well.
- Column C Address Enter the street address of the entity's principal place of business. Do not enter a PO box.
- Column D ID number Enter the federal employer identification number (EIN) assigned to the entity. If the entity is an individual, enter the social security number of that person.
- Column E Sales tax ID number Enter only if different from federal EIN in column D.
- Column F If applicable, enter an X if the entity has submitted Form DTF-17 to the Tax Department but has not received its certificate of authority as of the date of this certification.

Registration No. \_\_\_\_\_

#### Individual, Corporation, Partnership, or LLC Acknowledgment

STATE OF } : SS.: COUNTY OF }
On the day of in the year 20 , before me personally appeared , known to me to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument, who, being duly sworn by me did depose and say that he resides at ,
Town of
County of,
State of; and further that:
[Mark an $\boldsymbol{X}$ in the appropriate box and complete the accompanying statement.]
☐ (If an individual): _he executed the foregoing instrument in his/her name and on his/her own behalf.
☐ (If a corporation): _he is the
of, the corporation described in said instrument; that, by authority of the Board of Directors of said corporation, _he is authorized to execute the foregoing instrument on behalf of the corporation for purposes set forth therein; and that, pursuant to that authority, _he executed the foregoing instrument in the name of and on behalf of said corporation as the act and deed of said corporation.
☐ (If a partnership): _he is a
of, the partnership described in said instrument; that, by the terms of said partnership, _he is authorized to execute the foregoing instrument on behalf of the partnership for purposes set forth therein; and that, pursuant to that authority, _he executed the foregoing instrument in the name of and on behalf of said partnership as the act and deed of said partnership.
☐ (If a limited liability company): _he is a duly authorized member of
Notary Public



# STATE OF NEW YORK OFFICE OF THE STATE COMPTROLLER

# PROCUREMENT AND DISBURSEMENT GUIDELINES

**BULLETIN:** G-226

**SUBJECT:** Consultant Disclosure Legislation

DATE: December 5, 2006 (updated)

#### **Purpose:**

The purpose of this bulletin is to explain new reporting requirements related to Chapter 10 of the Laws of 2006 and to provide forms to be used to submit the necessary information in a uniform format.

Chapter 10 of the Laws of 2006 amends State Finance Law §§ 8 and 163 by requiring:

- 1. That the Office of the State Comptroller (OSC) include in the Consulting Services Report it compiles annually on contracts issued by State agencies for consulting services during the previous fiscal year, certain additional information on employees providing services under such contracts;
- 2. That contractors annually report certain employment information to the contracting agency, the Department of Civil Service (DCS) and OSC; and
- 3. That OSC include such employment information in the Procurement Stewardship Act Report it compiles annually.

The new legislation takes effect on June 19, 2006.

#### **State Contractors**

### Employment

#### **Information:**

As a result of these changes in law, State contractors will be required to disclose, by employment category, the number of persons employed to provide services under a contract for consulting services, the number of hours worked and the amount paid to the contractor by the State as compensation for work performed by these employees. This will include information on any persons working under any subcontracts with the State contractor.

# Contracts for Consulting Services:

Chapter 10 of the Laws of 2006 expands the definition of contracts for consulting services to include any contract entered into by a State agency for analysis, evaluation, research, training, data processing, computer



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programming, engineering, environmental, health, and mental health services, accounting, auditing, paralegal, legal, or similar services.

# **Initial Report Requirements**:

State Finance Law § 8 (subd 17) requires that OSC report to the Legislature on contracts for consulting services that were **issued** by State agencies during the previous fiscal year. The new legislation requires that OSC include in the Consulting Services Report the employment information described above.

To enable compliance with the law, State agencies must include in the Procurement Record submitted to OSC for new consultant contracts, the State Consultant Services Contractor's Planned Employment From Contract Start Date Through the End of the Contract Term (Form A attached to this bulletin). The completed form must include information for all employees providing service under the contract whether employed by the contractor or a subcontractor. Please note that the form captures the necessary planned employment information prospectively from the start date of the contract through the end of the contract term.

State agencies may incorporate the Form A into new solicitations for consulting services in order to provide notice to potential contractors that the contractor selected may be required to complete the form.

It is important to note that regardless of a contract's payment methodology (for example, deliverable based payment or lump sum payments), an agency must structure the procurement/contract to be able to ascertain and report the required data.

State agencies should begin to submit Form A as part of the Procurement Record for new consulting services contracts as soon as possible. In order to allow sufficient time for State agencies to implement the new requirements, submission of a completed Form A will be **required** for OSC approval of new contracts for consulting services received by OSC



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for approval on or after July 17, 2006, except in extraordinary circumstances as determined in the sole discretion of OSC.

# **Annual Report Requirements**:

Chapter 10 of the Laws of 2006 mandates that State agencies must now require State contractors to report annually on the employment above. including information described work performed The legislation mandates that the annual employment subcontractors. reports are to be submitted by the contractor to the contracting agency, to OSC and to the Department of Civil Service. OSC must include the employment information in the Procurement Stewardship Act Report. State Finance Law § 163 (subd 14) requires that OSC annually report to the State Procurement Council, the Governor and the Legislature on active procurement contracts above \$15,000.

State Consultant Services Contractor's Annual Employment Report (Form B attached to this bulletin) is to be used to report the information. Please note that, in contrast to the information to be included on Form A, which is a one-time report of planned employment data for the entire term of a consulting contract on a projected basis, Form B will be submitted each year the contract is in effect and will capture historical information, detailing actual employment data for the most recently concluded State fiscal year (April 1 – March 31).

To enable compliance with the law, State agencies need to incorporate the annual reporting requirement and the Form B template into new solicitations for consulting services to provide notice to potential contractors that the contractor selected will be required to submit the form annually.

Incorporation of the reporting requirement for Form B to be submitted annually will be a requirement for OSC approval of new contracts for consulting services including those contracts resulting from mini-bids received by OSC for approval on or after July 17, 2006, except in extraordinary circumstances as determined in the sole discretion of OSC.



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As above, this date was established to allow time for State agencies to implement the new requirements; however, State agencies are encouraged to incorporate the new Form B reporting requirement as soon as possible.

For **existing** contracts for consulting services (i.e., in place before June 19, 2006), the contracting agency must also require contractors to submit Form B annually, commencing with the close of fiscal year 2006-2007.

The first State Consultant Services Contractor's Annual Employment Report will be due May 15, 2007, and will include information for the period ending March 31, 2007. Thereafter, the State Consultant Services Contractor's Annual Employment Reports will be due no later than May the of each succeeding year.

#### **Summary:**

RFP's and other solicitations for consulting services should include notice of the new reporting requirements. The Procurement Record for new contracts for consulting services received by OSC for approval on or after July 17, 2006 must include, upon submission of the contract for approval, a completed Form A. New contracts for consulting services, including those contracts resulting from mini-bids must include a requirement that Form B be submitted annually by the contractor to the contracting agency, the Department of Civil Service and OSC. In addition, with respect to contracts for consulting services in place prior to June 19, 2006, the contracting agency must require its contractors to submit a completed Form B annually, commencing with the close of fiscal year 2006-2007.

## Completing the Forms:

Form A and Form B should be completed for contracts for consulting services in accordance with the following:

• Scope of Contract (Form B only): a general classification of the single category that best fits the predominate nature of the services provided under the contract.



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• Employment Category: the specific occupation(s), as listed in the O\*NET occupational classification system, which best describe the employees providing services under the contract.

(Note: Access the O\*NET database, which is available through the US Department of Labor's Employment and Training Administration, on-line at <u>online.onetcenter.org</u> to find a list of occupations.)

- **Number of Employees:** the total number of employees in the employment category employed to provide services under the contract during the Report Period, including part time employees and employees of subcontractors.
- Number of hours (to be) worked: for Form A, the total number of hours to be worked, and for Form B, the total number of hours worked during the Report Period by the employees in the employment category.
- Amount Payable under the Contract: the total amount paid or payable by the State to the State contractor under the contract, for work by the employees in the employment category, for services provided during the Report Period.

Reports that are to be submitted to OSC may be transmitted as follows:

By mail: NYS Office of the State Comptroller

**Bureau of Contracts** 

110 State Street, 11 Floor

Albany, NY 12236

Attn: Consultant Reporting

By fax: (518) 474-8030 or (518) 473-8808



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Reports that are to be submitted to DCS may be transmitted as follows:

By mail: NYS Department of Civil Service

Alfred E. Smith Office Building

Albany, NY 12239 Attn: Counsel's Office

**Questions:** If you have any questions regarding this bulletin, please contact:

NYS Office of the State Comptroller Bureau of Contracts (518) 474-4622

Chapter 10 of the Laws of 2006 also amends State Finance Law § 22 and Civil Service Law § 97.

In addition, the new legislation requires the Department of Civil Service to publish an annual report summarizing the number of contract employees performing consulting services and the types of services provided by such contract employees. The new legislation also mandates that the Governor include in the Executive Budget certain information based on the State Contractor's Annual Employment Reports.

Because the Comptroller's contract approval threshold has been raised to \$50,000 while the PSA Report threshold remains at \$15,000, the PSA Report will contain information on contracts not requiring OSC approval. Consequently, State Agencies must use the "T" contract mechanism for all consulting services contracts between \$15,000 and \$50,000.

OSC Use Only:	
Reporting Code:	
Category Code:	
Date Contract Approved:	

Agency Code:

**Contract Number:** 

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### **FORM A**

State Agency Name:

Preparer's Signature:
Date Prepared: / /

(Use additional pages, if necessary)

**Contractor Name:** 

State Consultant Services - Contractor's Planned Employment From Contract Start Date Through The End Of The Contract Term

Contract Start Date: / /	Conti	ract End Date: / /	1
Employment Category	Number of Employees	Number of hours to be worked	Amount Payable Under the Contract
Total this page			
Grand Total			
Name of person who prepared	this report:		
Title:		Phone #	·.

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OSC Use Only:	
Reporting Code:	
Category Code:	

State Consultant Services Contractor's Annual Employment Report								
Report F	Period: April 1,	to March 31,						
Contracting State Agency Name: Contract Number: Contract Term: / / to / Contractor Name: Contractor Address: Description of Services Being Prov		Agency Code:						
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### **ATTACHMENT A**

Authority: Article 15-A of the Executive Law and 5 NYCRR parts 140-144 Standard Clauses for All State University of New York (SUNY) Contracts

# PARTICIPATION BY MINORITY GROUP MEMBERS AND WOMEN WITH RESPECT TO STATE CONTRACTS: REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES

#### I. General Provisions

- A. The State University of New York is required to implement the provisions of New York State Executive Law Article 15-A and 5 NYCRR Parts 142-144 ("MWBE Regulations") for all State contracts as defined therein, with a value (1) in excess of \$25,000 for labor, services, equipment, materials, or any combination of the foregoing or (2) in excess of \$100,000 for real property renovations and construction.
- B. The Contractor to the subject contract (the "Contractor" and the "Contract," respectively) agrees, in addition to any other nondiscrimination provision of the Contract and at no additional cost to the State University of New York ("SUNY"), to fully comply and cooperate with SUNY in the implementation of New York State Executive Law Article 15-A. These requirements include equal employment opportunities for minority group members and women ("EEO") and contracting opportunities for certified minority and women-owned business enterprises ("MWBEs"). Contractor's demonstration of "good faith efforts" pursuant to 5 NYCRR §142.8 shall be a part of these requirements. These provisions shall be deemed supplementary to, and not in lieu of, the nondiscrimination provisions required by New York State Executive Law Article 15 (the "Human Rights Law") or other applicable federal, state or local laws.
- C. Failure to comply with all of the requirements herein may result in a finding of non-responsiveness, non-responsibility and/or a breach of contract, leading to the withholding of funds or such other actions, liquidated damages pursuant to Section VII of this Appendix or enforcement proceedings as allowed by the Contract.

#### **II. Contract Goals**

- A. For purposes of this procurement, SUNY hereby establishes a University-wide goal of 21% for Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprises ("MWBE") participation, 14% for Minority-Owned Business Enterprises ("MBE") participation and 7% for Women-Owned Business Enterprises ("WBE") participation (based on the current availability of qualified MBEs and WBEs).
- B. For purposes of providing meaningful participation by MWBEs on the Contract and achieving the Contract Goals established in Section II-A hereof, Contractor should reference the directory of New York State Certified MBWEs found at the following internet address: <a href="http://www.esd.ny.gov/MWBE/directorySearch.html">http://www.esd.ny.gov/MWBE/directorySearch.html</a>.
  - Additionally, Contractor is encouraged to contact the Division of Minority and Woman Business Development ((518) 292-5250; (212) 803-2414; or (716) 846-8200) to discuss additional methods of maximizing participation by MWBEs on the Contract.

C. Where MWBE goals have been established herein, pursuant to 5 NYCRR §142.8, Contractor must document "good faith efforts" to provide meaningful participation by MWBEs as subcontractors or suppliers in the performance of the Contract. In accordance with Section 316-a of Article 15-A and 5 NYCRR §142.13, the Contractor acknowledges that if Contractor is found to have willfully and intentionally failed to comply with the MWBE participation goals set forth in the Contract, such a finding constitutes a breach of contract and the Contractor shall be liable to SUNY for liquidated or other appropriate damages, as set forth herein.

### **III.** Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO)

- A. Contractor agrees to be bound by the provisions of Article 15-A and the MWBE Regulations promulgated by the Division of Minority and Women's Business Development of the Department of Economic Development (the "Division"). If any of these terms or provisions conflict with applicable law or regulations, such laws and regulations shall supersede these requirements.
- B. Contractor shall comply with the following provisions of Article 15-A:
  - 1. Contractor and Subcontractors shall undertake or continue existing EEO programs to ensure that minority group members and women are afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status. For these purposes, EEO shall apply in the areas of recruitment, employment, job assignment, promotion, grading, demotion, transfer, layoff, or termination and rates of pay or other forms of compensation.
  - 2. The Contractor shall submit an EEO policy statement to the SUNY within seventy two (72) hours after the date of the notice by SUNY to award the Contract to the Contractor.
  - 3. If Contractor or Subcontractor does not have an existing EEO policy statement, SUNY has provided the Contractor or Subcontractor a model statement (see Form 104) Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprises Equal Employment Opportunity Policy Statement).
  - 4. The Contractor's EEO policy statement shall include the following language:
    - a. The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status, will undertake or continue existing EEO programs to ensure that minority group members and women are afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination, and shall make and document its conscientious and active efforts to employ and utilize minority group members and women in its work force.
    - b. The Contractor shall state in all solicitations or advertisements for employees that, in the performance of the contract, all qualified applicants will be afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status.

- c. The Contractor shall request each employment agency, labor union, or authorized representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining or other agreement or understanding, to furnish a written statement that such employment agency, labor union, or representative will not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, sex age, disability or marital status and that such union or representative will affirmatively cooperate in the implementation of the Contractor's obligations herein.
- d. The Contractor will include the provisions of Subdivisions (a) through (c) of this Subsection 4 and Paragraph "E" of this Section III, which provides for relevant provisions of the Human Rights Law, in every subcontract in such a manner that the requirements of the subdivisions will be binding upon each subcontractor as to work in connection with the Contract.

## C. Form 108 - Staffing Plan

To ensure compliance with this Section, the Contractor shall submit a staffing plan to document the composition of the proposed workforce to be utilized in the performance of the Contract by the specified categories listed, including ethnic background, gender, and Federal occupational categories. Contractors shall complete the Staffing plan form and submit it as part of their bid or proposal or within a reasonable time, but no later than the time of award of the contract.

### D. Form 112 - Workforce Employment Utilization Report ("Workforce Report")

- 1. Once a contract has been awarded and during the term of Contract, Contractor is responsible for updating and providing notice to SUNY of any changes to the previously submitted Staffing Plan. This information is to be submitted on a quarterly basis during the term of the contract to report the actual workforce utilized in the performance of the contract by the specified categories listed including ethnic background, gender, and Federal occupational categories. The Workforce Report must be submitted to report this information.
- 2. Separate forms shall be completed by Contractor and any subcontractor performing work on the Contract.
- 3. In limited instances, Contractor may not be able to separate out the workforce utilized in the performance of the Contract from Contractor's and/or subcontractor's total workforce. When a separation can be made, Contractor shall submit the Workforce Report and indicate that the information provided related to the actual workforce utilized on the Contract. When the workforce to be utilized on the contract cannot be separated out from Contractor's and/or subcontractor's total workforce, Contractor shall submit the Workforce Report and indicate that the information provided is Contractor's total workforce during the subject time frame, not limited to work specifically under the contract.
- E. Contractor shall comply with the provisions of the Human Rights Law, all other State and Federal statutory and constitutional non-discrimination provisions. Contractor and subcontractors shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed (religion), color, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, military

status, age, disability, predisposing genetic characteristic, marital status or domestic violence victim status, and shall also follow the requirements of the Human Rights Law with regard to non-discrimination on the basis of prior criminal conviction and prior arrest.

#### IV. MWBE Utilization Plan

- A. The Contractor represents and warrants that Contractor has submitted an MWBE Utilization Plan prior to the execution of the contract.
- B. MWBE Utilization Plan (Form MWBE 107).
  - 1. Contractors are required to submit a Utilization Plan on Form 107 with their bid or proposal. Complete the following steps to prepare the Utilization Plan:
    - a. list NYS Certified minority- and women-owned business enterprises which the Contractor intends to use to perform the State contract;
    - b. insert a description of the contract scope of work which the Contractor intends to structure to increase the participation by NYS Certified minority- and women-owned enterprises on the State contract;
    - c. insert the estimated or, if known, actual dollar amounts to be paid to and performance dates of each component of a State contract which the Contractor intends to be performed by a NYS Certified minority- or women-owned business; and
    - d. Any modifications or changes to the agreed participation by NYS Certified MWBEs after the Contract Award and during the term of the contract must be reported on a revised MWBE Utilization Plan and submitted to the SUNY University-wide MWBE Program Office.
  - 2. The SUNY University-wide MWBE Program Office will review the MWBE Utilization Plan and will issue the Contractor a written notice of acceptance or deficiency within twenty (20) day of its receipt. A notice of deficiency shall include the:
    - a. list NYS Certified minority- and women-owned business enterprises which the Contractor intends to use to perform the State contract;
    - b. name of any MWBE which is not acceptable for the purpose of complying with the MWBE participation goals;
    - c. reasons why it is not an acceptable element of the Contract scope of work which the MWBE Program Office has determined can be reasonably structured by the Contractor to increase the likelihood of participation in the Contract by MWBEs; and
    - d. other information which the MWBE Program Office determines to be relevant to the MWBE Utilization Plan.

- 3. The Contractor shall respond to the notice of deficiency within seven (7) business days of receipt by submitting to SUNY's University-wide MWBE Program Office a written remedy in response to the notice of deficiency.
  - a. If the written remedy that is submitted is not timely or is found to be inadequate, the University-wide MWBE Program Office shall notify the Contractor and direct the Contractor to submit, within five (5) business days, a request for partial or total waiver of MWBE participation goals on forms provided by the University-wide MWBE Program Office.
  - b. Failure to file the waiver form in a timely manner may be grounds for disqualification of the bid or proposal.
- 4. SUNY's University-wide MWBE Program Office may disqualify a Contractor as being non-responsive under the following circumstances:
  - a. If a Contractor fails to submit a MWBE Utilization Plan;
  - b. If a Contractor fails to submit a written remedy to a notice of deficiency in a MWBE Utilization Plan;
  - c. If a Contractor fails to submit a request for waiver; or
  - d. If the MWBE Program Office determines that the Contractor has failed to document Good Faith Efforts.
- C. Contractor agrees to use such MWBE Utilization Plan for the performance of MWBEs on the Contract pursuant to the prescribed MWBE goals set forth in Section III-A of this Appendix.
- D. Contractor further agrees that a failure to submit and/or use such MWBE Utilization Plan shall constitute a material breach of the terms of the Contract. Upon the occurrence of such a material breach, SUNY shall be entitled to any remedy provided herein, including but not limited to, a finding of Contractor non-responsiveness.

#### V. Waivers

- A. For Waiver Requests Contractor should use Form 114 Waiver Request.
- B. If the Contractor, after making good faith efforts, is unable to comply with MWBE goals, the Contractor may submit a Request for Waiver form documenting good faith efforts by the Contractor to meet such goals. If the documentation included with the waiver request is complete SUNY's University-wide MWBE Program Office shall evaluate the request and issue a written notice of acceptance or denial within twenty (20) days of receipt.
- C. If SUNY's University-wide MWBE Program Office, upon review of the MWBE Utilization Plan and updated Quarterly MWBE Contractor Compliance Reports determines that Contractor is failing or refusing to comply with the Contract goals and no waiver has been issued in regards to such non-compliance, the SUNY University-wide MWBE Program Office may issue a notice of deficiency to the Contractor. The contractor must respond to the notice of deficiency within seven (7) business days of receipt. Such response may include a request for partial or total waiver of MWBE Contract Goals.

### VI. Quarterly MWBE Contractor Compliance Report

Contractor is required to submit a Quarterly MWBE Contractor Compliance Report (Form 114) to the SUNY campuses by the 5<sup>th</sup> day following each end of quarter over the term of the Contract documenting the progress made towards achievement of the MWBE goals of the Contract.

### **VII. Liquidated Damages - MWBE Participation**

- A. Where SUNY's University-wide MWBE Program Office determines that Contractor is not in compliance with the requirements of the Contract and Contractor refuses to comply with such requirements, or if Contractor is found to have willfully and intentionally failed to comply with the MWBE participation goals, Contractor shall be obligated to pay to SUNY liquidated damages.
- B. Such liquidated damages shall be calculated as an amount equaling the difference between:
  - 1. All sums identified for payment to MWBEs had the Contractor achieved the contractual MWBE goals; and
  - 2. All sums actually paid to MWBEs for work performed or materials supplied under the Contract.
- C. In the event a determination has been made which requires the payment of liquidated damages and such identified sums have not been withheld by the SUNY campus, Contractor shall pay such liquidated damages to the SUNY within sixty (60) days after they are assessed by the SUNY campus unless prior to the expiration of such sixtieth day, the Contractor has filed a complaint with the Director of the Division of Minority and Woman Business Development pursuant to Subdivision 8 of Section 313 of the Executive Law in which event the liquidated damages shall be payable if Director renders a decision in favor of the SUNY.

*All forms* must be scanned and e-mailed directly to campus and copy the University-wide MWBE Program Office at <a href="MWBEProgram@suny.edu">MWBEProgram@suny.edu</a>.

Pamela Swanigan University-wide MWBE Program Director State University Plaza Albany, NY 12246 518-320-1628 MWBEProgram@suny.edu

Effective April 1, 2013

# MINORITY AND WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES – EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY POLICY STATEMENT

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Minority Business Enterprise Liaison
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FORM 104 (MWBE UNIT REVISED: 01/2013) Effective April 1, 2013

### STAFFING PLAN

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General instructions: All Offerors and each subcontractor identified in the bid or proposal must complete an EEO Staffing Plan (MWBE 101) and submit it as part of the bid or proposal package. Where the work force to be utilized in the performance of the State contract can be separated out from the contractor's and/or subcontractor's total work force, the Offeror shall complete this form only for the anticipated work force to be utilized on the State contract. Where the work force to be utilized in the performance of the State contract cannot be separated out from the contractor's and/or subcontractor's total work force, the Offeror shall complete this form for the contractor's and/or subcontractor's total work force.

#### **Instructions for completing:**

- 1. Enter the Solicitation number that this report applies to along with the name and address of the Offeror.
- 2. Check off the appropriate box to indicate if the Offeror completing the report is the contractor or a subcontractor.
- 3. Check off the appropriate box to indicate work force to be utilized on the contract or the Offerors' total work force.
- 4. Enter the total work force by EEO job category.
- 5. Break down the anticipated total work force by gender and enter under the heading 'Work force by Gender'
- 6. Break down the anticipated total work force by race/ethnic identification and enter under the heading 'Work force by Race/Ethnic Identification'. Contact the OMWBE Permissible contact(s) for the solicitation if you have any questions.
- 7. Enter information on disabled or veterans included in the anticipated work force under the appropriate headings.
- 8. Enter the name, title, phone number and email address for the person completing the form. Sign and date the form in the designated boxes.

#### RACE/ETHNIC IDENTIFICATION

Race/ethnic designations as used by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission do not denote scientific definitions of anthropological origins. For the purposes of this form, an employee may be included in the group to which he or she appears to belong, identifies with, or is regarded in the community as belonging. However, no person should be counted in more than one race/ethnic group. The race/ethnic categories for this survey are:

- WHITE (Not of Hispanic origin) All persons having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, North Africa, or the Middle East.
- BLACK a person, not of Hispanic origin, who has origins in any of the black racial groups of the original peoples of Africa.
- HISPANIC a person of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.
- ASIAN & PACIFIC a person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian subcontinent or the Pacific Islands. ISLANDER
- NATIVE INDIAN (NATIVE AMERICAN/ALASKAN NATIVE a person having origins in any of the original peoples of North America, and who maintains cultural identification through tribal affiliation or community recognition.

#### OTHER CATEGORIES

- **DISABLED INDIVIDUAL** any person who: has a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activity(ies)
  - has a record of such an impairment; or
  - is regarded as having such an impairment.
- VIETNAM ERA VETERAN a veteran who served at any time between and including January 1, 1963 and May 7, 1975.
- **GENDER** Male or Female

### M/WBE UTILIZATION PLAN

INSTRUCTIONS: This form must be submitted with any bid, proposal, or proposed negotiated contract or within a reasonable time thereafter, but prior to contract award. This Utilization Plan must contain a detailed description of the supplies and/or services to be provided by each certified Minority and Women-owned Business Enterprise (M/WBE) under the contract. Attach additional sheets if necessary. Offeror's Name: Federal Identification No.: Address: Location of Work: SUNY at City, State, Zip Code: **Project No.:** Telephone No.: M/WBE Goals in the Contract: MBE % WBE **Authorized Representative: EEO Goals in the Contract: MBE** WBE **Authorized Signature:** 1. Certified M/WBE Subcontractors/Suppliers 3. Federal ID No. 4. Detailed Description of Work 5. Dollar Value of Subcontracts/ 2. Classification Name, Address, Email Address, Telephone No. (Attach additional sheets, if necessary) Supplies/Services and intended performance dates of each component of the contract. NYS ESD CERTIFIED 1. ☐ MBE ☐ WBE NYS ESD CERTIFIED 2.  $\square$  MBE ☐ WBE NYS ESD CERTIFIED 3.  $\square$  MBE ☐ WBE NYS ESD CERTIFIED 4.  $\square$  MBE ☐ WBE 5. NYS ESD CERTIFIED ☐ MBE ☐ WBE NYS ESD CERTIFIED 6.

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All vendors receiving this procurement solicitation are expected to return this document as soon as they have determined whether or not they will participate in this procurement.

Procurement 1	Number and	Title:	
	our company will be expensional instructions therein.	cted to submit a bid, which	shall be considered if satisfactorily mary company representatives (reps)
Vendor Rep Name(s)	Phone	eMail Addres	S
This Vendor intends to	NOT SUBMIT a Bid/I		section.
Size of this contract is this vendor.	not within the interest of time to prepare a proposal.		hin the specialty of the contractor. additional business at this time. comment section below):
ALL VENDORS- Complete th	is section:		
Vendor Business Name:			
Address:			
City, State, Zip:			s is a qualified: MBE or
Insert the date Vendor received solicitation:	d this Bid/ Proposal		s, Is vendor interested as a ntractor in this procurement?
Vendor Rep Signature	Vendor Rep Printe	ed Name Title	Date
Submit completed copy to SUNY-I 2098, or via fax to (718) 270-3342		Dept. MSC 63; 450 Clar	kson Ave.; Brooklyn, NY 11203-

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REFERENCE FORM*
*At least three (3) references are required. Please use a separate Reference Form for each reference you provide.
Bidder Firm Name:
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NUMBER OF BEDS:
CONTRACT TERM DATES:
SCOPE OF SERVICES PERFORMED FOR CUSTOMER (Please attach additional sheets if necessary):
NUMBER OF CONSULTANTS ASSIGNED TO PROJECT:
ESTIMATED VALUE OF CONTRACT:
Customer Reference:
CONTACT NAME AND TITLE:
CONTACT INFORMATION (TELEPHONE NUMBER, eMAIL ADDRESS):