

CONTRACT NO. 2011-037506
PROGRAM ATTACHMENT NO. 001
PURCHASE ORDER NO. 0000368785

CONTRACTOR: HIDALGO COUNTY

DSHS PROGRAM: TB Prevention and Control services

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SECTION I. STATEMENT OF WORK:

Throughout the Contractor's defined service area of Hidalgo County, the Contractor shall develop and provide: (1) basic services and associated activities for tuberculosis (TB) prevention and control; and (2) expanded outreach services to individuals of identified special populations who have TB and/or who are at high risk of developing TB.

Contractor shall provide the services outlined above in compliance with the following:

- DSHS Standards of Performance for the Prevention and Control of Tuberculosis, available at <http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/idcu/disease/tb/publications/default.asp>;
- DSHS Standards for Public Health Clinic Services, available at <http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/sdi/docs/section8.pdf>;
- American Thoracic Society (ATS) and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) joint statements on diagnosis, treatment and control of TB available at <http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/rr5211a1.htm>;
- Diagnostic Standards and Classification of Tuberculosis in Adults and Children, (American Journal of Respiratory and Critical Care Medicine, Vol. 161, pp. 1376-1395, 2000) <http://ajrccm.atsjournals.org/cgi/reprint/161/4/1376>;
- Treatment of Tuberculosis, (ATS/CDC/IDSA), 2003 available at http://www.cdc.gov/tb/pubs/mmwr/Maj_guide/default.htm;
- Targeted Tuberculin Testing and Treatment of Latent TB Infection (LTBI), Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report, Vol. 49, No. RR-6, 2000, available at <http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/PDF/rr/rr4906.pdf>;
- Updated: Adverse Event Data and Revised American Thoracic Society/CDC Recommendations Against the Use of Rifampin and Pyrazinamide for Treatment of Latent Tuberculosis Infection – United States, 2003, MMWR 52 (No. 31) <http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm5231a4.htm>; and
- Controlling Tuberculosis in the United States, MMWR, Vol. 54, No. RR-12, 2005 <http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/rr5412a1.htm>.

Contractor shall comply with all applicable federal and state regulations and statutes, including, but not limited to, the following:

- Texas Tuberculosis Code, Health and Safety Code, Chapter 13, Subchapter B,
- Communicable Disease Prevention and Control Act, Texas Health and Safety Code, Chapter 81,
- Screening and Treatment for Tuberculosis in Jails and Other Correctional Facilities, Health and Safety Code, Chapter 89,
- Texas Administrative Code TAC, Title 25, Part 1, Chapter 97, Subchapter A, Control of Communicable Diseases, and
- Texas Administrative Code TAC, Title 25, Part 1, Chapter 97, Subchapter H, Tuberculosis Screening for Jails and Other Correctional Facilities.

Contractor shall perform all activities under this Renewal Program Attachment in accordance with Contractor's final, approved work plan (attached as Exhibit A), and detailed budget as approved by DSHS. Contractor must receive written approval from DSHS before varying from applicable policies, procedures, protocols, and the final approved work plan, and must update its implementation documentation within forty-eight (48) hours of making approved changes so that staff working on activities under this contract knows of the change(s).

DSHS reserves the right, where allowed by legal authority, to redirect funds in the event of financial shortfalls. DSHS will monitor Contractor's expenditures on a quarterly basis. If expenditures are below what is projected in Contractor's total Program Attachment amount, as shown in SECTION VI. BUDGET, Contractor's budget may be subject to a decrease for the remainder of the Contract term. Vacant positions existing after ninety (90) days may result in a decrease in funds.

Because of the inherent time to complete treatment for tuberculosis disease and latent tuberculosis infection in relation to the period of this Renewal Program Attachment, required reporting under this Renewal Program Attachment will show results for work performed under previous Program Attachments.

Contractor shall provide a complete and accurate annual narrative report, in the format provided by DSHS, demonstrating compliance with the requirements of this Renewal Program Attachment. That report shall include, but is not limited to, a detailed analysis of performance related to the performance measures listed below. A progress report of activities in January through December shall also be submitted, in a format provided by DSHS. The narrative program report shall be sent to the Department of State Health Services, TB Services Branch, Mail Code 1939, PO Box 149347, Austin, Texas 78714-9347 via regular mail, or by fax to (512)458-7787, or e-mail to charles.wallace@dshs.state.tx.us. Contractor shall maintain the documentation used to calculate performance measures as required by the General Provisions Article VIII "Records Retention" and by the Texas Administrative Code Title 22, Part 9 Chapter 165, §165.1 regarding the retention of medical records.

Report periods and due dates are as follows:

PERIOD COVERED	DUE DATE
January 2010– December 2010	March 1, 2011
January 2011 – May 2011	July 1, 2011

Contractor shall send all initial reports of confirmed and suspected TB cases to DSHS within seven (7) working days of identification or notification. Any updates to initial DSHS Report of Cases and Patient Services Forms (TB-400) (e.g., diagnosis, medication changes, x-rays, and bacteriology) and case closures shall be sent within 30 days of when a change in information in a required reporting field occurs to DSHS at PO Box 149347, Mail Code 1939, Austin, Texas 78714-9347.

Contractor shall send an initial report to DSHS of contacts on all Class 3 TB cases and smear-positive Class 5 TB suspects within thirty (30) days of identification using DSHS' Report of Contacts Form (TB-340 and TB-341). Any new follow-up information (not included in the initial report) related to the evaluation and treatment of contacts shall be sent to DSHS on the TB-340 and TB-341 at intervals of 90 days, 120 days, and 2 years after the day the Contractor became aware of the TB case.

Electronic reporting to DSHS for Class 3 TB cases, smear positive Class 5 TB suspects, and their contacts may become available during the term of this Renewal Program Attachment. Once notified of this option by DSHS, Contractor may avail itself of this option if it adheres to all the electronic reporting requirements (including system requirements) provided at that time.

Contractor will determine and report annually the number of persons which receive at least one TB service, including but not limited to: tuberculin skin tests, chest radiographs, health care worker services, or treatment with one or more anti-tuberculosis medications.

SECTION II. PERFORMANCE MEASURES:

The following performance measures will be used to assess, in part, Contractor's effectiveness in providing the services described in this Renewal Program Attachment, without waiving the enforceability of any of the other terms of the contract or any other method of determining compliance:

1. Cases, and suspected cases, of TB under treatment by Contractor shall be placed on timely and appropriate Direct Observed Therapy (DOT);
2. Newly diagnosed TB cases that are eligible* to complete treatment within 12 months shall complete therapy within 365 days or less;
**Exclude TB cases 1) diagnosed at death, 2) who die during therapy, 3) who are resistant to Rifampin, 4) who have meningeal disease, and/or 5) who are younger than 15 years with either miliary disease or a positive blood culture for TB.*

3. TB cases with initial cultures positive for Mycobacterium tuberculosis complex shall be tested for drug susceptibility and have those results documented in their medical record. If data indicates a compliance rate for this Performance Measure of less than 97%, then DSHS may (at its sole discretion) require additional measures be taken by Contractor to improve that percentage, on a timeline set by DSHS;
4. Newly-reported cases of TB with Acid-fast Bacillus (AFB) positive sputum culture results will have documented conversion to sputum culture-negative within 60 days of initiation of treatment. If data indicates a compliance rate for this Performance Measure of less than 43%, then DSHS may (at its sole discretion) require additional measures be taken by Contractor to improve that percentage, on a timeline set by DSHS;
5. Newly-reported TB cases shall have an HIV test performed (unless they are know HIV-positive, or if the patient refuses) and shall have positive or negative HIV test results reported to DSHS according to the schedule provided herein. If fewer than 78% of newly reported TB cases have a result of an HIV test reported, then DSHS may (at its sole discretion) require additional measures be taken by Contractor to improve that percentage, on a timeline set by DSHS;
6. Newly-reported suspected cases of TB disease shall be started in timely manner on the recommended initial 4-drug regimen. If fewer than 93% of newly-reported TB cases are started on an initial 4-drug regimen in accordance with this requirement, then DSHS may (at its sole discretion) require additional measures be taken by Contractor to improve that percentage, on a timeline set by DSHS;
7. Newly-reported TB patients with a positive AFB sputum-smear result shall have at least three contacts identified as part of the contact investigation that must be pursued for each case. If data indicates a compliance rate for this Performance Measure of less than 90%, then DSHS may (at its sole discretion) require additional measures be taken by Contractor to improve that percentage, on a timeline set by DSHS;
8. Newly-identified contacts, identified through the contact investigation, that are associated with a sputum AFB smear-positive TB case shall be evaluated for TB infection and disease. If data indicates a compliance rate for this Performance Measure of less than 80.5%, then DSHS may (at its sole discretion) require additional measures be taken by Contractor to improve that percentage, on a timeline set by DSHS;
9. Contacts, identified through the contact investigation, that are associated with a sputum AFB smear-positive case and that are newly diagnosed with latent TB infection (LTBI) shall be started on timely and appropriate treatment. If data indicates a compliance rate for this Performance Measure of less than 60%, then DSHS may (at its sole discretion) require additional measures be taken by Contractor to improve that percentage, on a timeline set by DSHS;

10. Contacts, identified through the contact investigation, that are associated with a sputum AFB smear-positive case that are newly diagnosed with LTBI and that were started on treatment shall complete treatment for LTBI as described in Targeted Tuberculin Testing and Treatment of Latent TB Infection (LTBI), Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report, Vol. 49, No. RR-6, 2000, and according to the timelines given therein. If data indicates a compliance rate for this Performance Measure of less than 40%, then DSHS may (at its sole discretion) require additional measures be taken by Contractor to improve that percentage, on a timeline set by DSHS;
11. Newly-reported TB patients that are older than 12-years-old and that have a pleural or respiratory site of disease shall have sputum AFB-culture results reported to DSHS according to the timelines for reporting initial and updated results given herein. If data indicates a compliance rate for this Performance Measure of less than 88.5%, then DSHS may (at its sole discretion) require additional measures be taken by Contractor to improve that percentage, on a timeline set by DSHS; and
12. All reporting to DSHS shall be completed as described herein under Section I above and submitted by the deadlines given.

If the Contractor fails to meet any of the performance measures, the Contractor shall furnish in the narrative report, due March 1, 2011, a written explanation including a plan (with schedule) to meet those measures. This requirement does not excuse any violation of this Contract, nor does it limit DSHS as to any options available under the contract regarding breach.

SECTION III. SOLICITATION DOCUMENT:

Exempt - Governmental Entity

SECTION IV. RENEWALS:

DSHS may renew the Program Attachment for up to three (3) additional one-year terms, at DSHS's sole discretion.

SECTION V. PAYMENT METHOD:

Cost Reimbursement

Funding is further detailed in the attached Categorical Budget and if applicable, Equipment List.

SECTION VI. BILLING INSTRUCTIONS:

Contractor shall request payment using the State of Texas Purchase Voucher (Form B-13) and acceptable supporting documentation for reimbursement of the required services/deliverables. Vouchers and supporting documentation should be mailed or submitted by fax or electronic mail to

the addresses/number below.

Claims Processing Unit, MC1940
Department of State Health Services
1100 West 49th Street
PO Box 149347
Austin, TX 78714-9347

The fax number for submitting State of Texas Purchase Voucher (Form B-13) to the Claims Processing Unit is (512) 458-7442. The email address is invoices@dshs.state.tx.us.

SECTION VII. BUDGET

SOURCE OF FUNDS: CFDA Funding #93.116

SECTION VIII. SPECIAL PROVISIONS:

General Provisions, are revised to include the following:

General Provisions, **Article 1. COMPLIANCE AND REPORTING, Section 1.07, Statutes and Standards of General Applicability**, is amended to include the following:

Contractor, as a subrecipient of federal grant funds, is prohibited from texting while driving a federal government owned vehicle and from texting while using government furnished electronic equipment while driving any vehicle, including any privately owned or governmental owned vehicle. "Texting" means reading from or entering data into any handheld or other electronic device, including SMS texting, e-mailing, instant messaging, obtaining navigational information, or engaging in any other form of electronic data retrieval or electronic data communication. "Driving" means operating a motor vehicle on an active roadway with the motor running, including while temporarily stationary due to traffic, a traffic light, stop sign or otherwise. "Driving" does not include operating a motor vehicle with or without the motor running when one has pulled over to the side of, or off, an active roadway and has halted in a location where one can safely remain stationary. "Government furnished electronic equipment" means any electronic equipment that may be used for texting and for which any payment is made, in part or in whole, under this program attachment. The Contractor is responsible for ensuring its employees are aware of this prohibition and adhere to this prohibition.

General Provisions, **Article III. FUNDING, Section 3.06, Nonsupplanting**, is revised to include the following:

Funding from this Renewal Program Attachment shall not be used to supplant (i.e., used in place of funds dedicated, appropriated or expended for activities funded through this Renewal Program Attachment) state or local funds, but Contractor shall use such funds to increase state or local funds currently available for a particular activity. Contractor shall maintain local funding at a

sufficient rate to support the local program. If the total cost of the project is greater than DSHS' funding set out in SECTION VII. BUDGET, Contractor shall supply funds for the remaining costs in order to accomplish the objectives set forth in this Program Attachment.

All revenues directly generated by this Renewal Program Attachment or earned as a result of this Renewal Program Attachment during the term of this Renewal Program Attachment are considered program income; including income generated through Medicaid billings for TB related clinic services. Contractor shall use this program income to further the scope of work detailed in this Renewal Program Attachment, and must keep documentation to demonstrate such to DSHS's satisfaction. This program income may not be used to take the place of existing local, state, or federal program funds.

General Provisions, Article IV. **PAYMENT METHODS AND RESTRICTIONS Section 4.02, Billing Submission**, is hereby revised to add:

Quarterly Financial Status Reports (Form 269A) from Contractor shall be provided to DSHS in the format provided by the DSHS. These reports shall be mailed to Department of State Health Services, Attention: Accounting Section, Claims Processing Unit, Mail Code 1940, 1100 West 49th Street, PO Box 149347, Austin, Texas 78714-9347. One (1) copy of each quarterly financial status report shall be mailed to the Department of State Health Services, Attention: Infectious Disease Intervention and Control Branch, Mail Code 1939, PO Box 149347, Austin, Texas 78714-9347. These reports shall be submitted on a quarterly basis as follows:

PERIOD COVERED	DUE DATE
January, February March	April 29, 2011
April, May, June	July 29, 2011
July, August, September	October 31, 2011
October, November December	February 29, 2012

General Provisions, **Article XIII. General Terms, Section 13.15 Amendment**, is amended to include the following:

Contractor must submit all amendment and revision requests in writing to the Division Contract Management Unit at least 90 days prior to the end of the term of this Program Attachment.