

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
**“THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATION, INDIVIDUAL STOP LOSS FOR SELF-FUNDED
MEDICAL PLAN, GROUP TERM LIFE AND ACCIDENTAL DEATH & DISMEMBERMENT”**
RFP NO: 2013-143-10-16-CGA
EXHIBIT A

OVERVIEW:

The County of Hidalgo is seeking to engage Proposer's to furnish benefits for the **“Third Party Administration, Individual Stop Loss For Self-Funded Medical Plan, Group Term Life And Accidental Death & Dismemberment”** offered by Hidalgo County to its employees and the employees' dependents. This process includes a Request for Proposal for fully **“Third Party Administration, Individual Stop Loss For Self-Funded Medical Plan, Group Term Life And Accidental Death & Dismemberment”** Coverage. The Hidalgo County Purchasing Department will receive sealed envelopes containing proposals for the provision of fully **“Third Party Administration, Individual Stop Loss For Self-Funded Medical Plan, Group Term Life And Accidental Death & Dismemberment”** Coverage as specified herein. Sealed proposals will be accepted until **9:30 A.M., Wednesday, October 16, 2013 . ANY RFP RECEIVED AFTER THAT DATE AND TIME WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AND WILL BE RETURNED UNOPENED.**

The Hidalgo County Drainage District No. 1 Board of Director's may, at their option, utilize the **“Third Party Administration, Individual Stop Loss For Self-Funded Medical Plan, Group Term Life And Accidental Death & Dismemberment”** Provider(s) selected by Hidalgo County For Hidalgo County Drainage District No. 1. Should the Board of Director's of Hidalgo County Drainage District No. 1 decide the firm selected as the Provider is the same as the one selected by Hidalgo County, the Provider shall offer Hidalgo County Drainage District No. 1 the same terms and provisions as it offer s Hidalgo County.

The Hidalgo County Appraisal District Board of Directors may, at their option, utilize the **“Third Party Administration, Individual Stop Loss For Self-Funded Medical Plan, Group Term Life And Accidental Death & Dismemberment”** Provider(s) selected by Hidalgo County For Hidalgo County Appraisal District. Should the Board of Director's of Hidalgo County Appraisal District decide the firm selected as the Provider is the same as the one selected by Hidalgo County, the Provider shall offer Hidalgo County Appraisal District the same terms and provisions as it offer s Hidalgo County.

Deliver Submittal to:

RFP NO: 2013-143-10-16-CGA
Martha L. Salazar, CPPB, Purchasing Agent
Hidalgo County Purchasing Department
2802 South Hwy. 281
Hidalgo County New Administration Building
Edinburg, Texas 78539

The Submittal Envelope Must Show:

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SIGNING OF PROPOSALS:

In order to be considered all submittals **must** be signed. **Please sign the original in blue ink.**

WAIVING OF INFORMALITIES:

Hidalgo County reserves the right to waive minor informalities or technicalities when it is in the best interest of Hidalgo County.

SUBCONTRACTING:

The successful submitter **may not** subcontract the award without the written consent of the Commissioners' Court of Hidalgo County.

DURATION OF CONTRACT: **Effective date to commence is January 1, 2014.** The term of the contract is for a three (3) year period, with County's option to renew on one of the following basis;

- Fixed Price for the three (3) year period, or
- Two (2) Annual renewal adjustments determined by formula at the time the contract is awarded; or
- One (1) year contract with two (2) annual renewal options for rate and premiums deemed to be favorable to Hidalgo County. Rates to be firm by October 1, (90 days prior to anniversary date)

DAVIS BACON ACT: (If applicable)

All selected and awarded firms are required to include the Davis-Bacon Act when advertising and developing specifications.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

All costs and expenses with the preparation and submission of (bids, proposals and/or quotes) shall be the responsibility of the proposer and no reimbursements for such charges or expenses shall be passed onto Hidalgo County.

Any contract awarded to a successful proposer will be in effect until (a) the contract expires, (b) delivery and acceptance of products and/or performance of services ordered, or (c) terminated by County with thirty day's written notice prior to cancellation.