

Questions for Bid RFP #HEP-2022-12 - Request for Proposals No. HEP-2022-12 for Development and Coordination of two (2) Health Emergency Preparedness Exercises (Mass Casualty Mitigation and Cyber Security Defense)

<p>Question #1</p> <p>1. On Page 6, it states: "Address all logistics including but not limited to facilities, rentals, exercise materials, exercise printing, exercise supplies and equipment." Does this mean the consultant shall be responsible for renting the venues for the exercises, or does it mean "consultant shall coordinate the venue locations and location requirements with the County; County shall be provide the venue locations"</p> <p>Answers Contractor will be responsible for renting venue(s) for exercises but may be provided with guidance on desired, or possible locations by the County.</p> <p>Answer</p>	<p>Dec 21, 2022 11:13:36 AM PST By: Aanko Technologies Inc. - aankotech</p> <p>Jan 6, 2023 12:41:45 PM PST By: gfahey</p>
<p>Question #2</p> <p>2. On Page 6, it states: "Address all logistics including but not limited to facilities, rentals, exercise materials, exercise printing, exercise supplies and equipment." Can you please provide the number of expected participants so that we may gauge the project's logistical needs over the course of the schedule. Thank you ahead.</p> <p>Answers Full scale exercise: up to a 100 Functional exercise: up to 50</p> <p>Answer</p>	<p>Dec 21, 2022 11:14:24 AM PST By: Aanko Technologies Inc. - aankotech</p> <p>Jan 6, 2023 12:42:07 PM PST By: gfahey</p>
<p>Question #3</p> <p>"Prospective contractors will coordinate and lead the design, facilitation, planning, development, execution, and evaluation of a HSEEP compliant Terrorism Response and CERT/ TCAT Exercise. The Terrorism Response Exercise will include two fullscale exercises." Can you confirm if this is applicable to the described scope of work for this year's solicitation?</p> <p>Answers Please see Addendum No. 1 for the amended language.</p> <p>Answer</p>	<p>Dec 22, 2022 9:24:15 AM PST By: Constant & Associates - ConstantAnalyst</p> <p>Jan 6, 2023 4:38:07 PM PST By: gfahey</p>
<p>Question #4</p> <p>"The contractor(s) will be responsible for participating in HEP program led exercise activities as needed (e.g., Tabletop planning) to allow for maximum efficiency in planning, and leading activities" What activities are being led by HEP to support this effort?</p> <p>Answers HEP will not led the exercise activities but support the contractor.</p> <p>Answer</p>	<p>Dec 22, 2022 9:24:22 AM PST By: Constant & Associates - ConstantAnalyst</p> <p>Jan 6, 2023 3:26:44 PM PST By: gfahey</p>
<p>Question #5</p> <p>Is the contractor expected to provide food and beverage to exercise participants?</p> <p>Answers Yes</p> <p>Answer</p>	<p>Dec 22, 2022 9:24:28 AM PST By: Constant & Associates - ConstantAnalyst</p> <p>Jan 6, 2023 12:45:42 PM PST By: gfahey</p>
<p>Question #6</p> <p>Can HSEEP meetings be conducted virtually?</p> <p>Answers Yes</p> <p>Answer</p>	<p>Dec 22, 2022 9:24:37 AM PST By: Constant & Associates - ConstantAnalyst</p> <p>Jan 6, 2023 12:45:58 PM PST By: gfahey</p>
<p>Question #7</p> <p>Can trainings be conducted virtually?</p> <p>Answers This is dependent on the topic of the training. NHICS, HICS, and Hazmat trainings require in-person learning.</p> <p>Answer</p>	<p>Dec 22, 2022 9:25:11 AM PST By: Constant & Associates - ConstantAnalyst</p> <p>Jan 6, 2023 12:46:21 PM PST By: gfahey</p>
<p>Question #8</p> <p>How many participants are expected for each training (Hazmat, cybersecurity, NHICS/HICS)?</p> <p>Answers We anticipate between 20-40 participants per training</p> <p>Answer</p>	<p>Dec 22, 2022 9:25:50 AM PST By: Constant & Associates - ConstantAnalyst</p> <p>Jan 6, 2023 12:46:47 PM PST By: gfahey</p>
<p>Question #9</p> <p>How many participants are expected to play in each exercise?</p> <p>Answers Full scale exercise: ~100 Functional exercise: ~50</p> <p>Answer</p>	<p>Dec 22, 2022 9:26:17 AM PST By: Constant & Associates - ConstantAnalyst</p> <p>Jan 6, 2023 12:48:00 PM PST By: gfahey</p>
<p>Question #10</p> <p>Section B of the RFP describes a "Terrorism Response Exercise" that includes two full-scale exercises. We assume this is an artifact from a previous scope of work or a simple error. If this is the case, may we please have you share a revised Section B to help us confirm what in that section remains relevant to the current solicitation?</p> <p>Answer</p>	<p>Dec 29, 2022 1:19:20 PM PST By: Tamarack Management Limited Liability Company - tamarackmgmt</p>
<p>Question #11</p> <p>Section C (5) calls for an Incident Action Plan as one of the deliverables. Please clarify the role of this item if it is considered separate from items such as exercise injects?</p> <p>Answers We will require a IAP to be built for the exercise.</p> <p>Answer</p>	<p>Dec 29, 2022 1:19:35 PM PST By: Tamarack Management Limited Liability Company - tamarackmgmt</p> <p>Jan 6, 2023 12:48:51 PM PST By: gfahey</p>

<p>Question #12</p> <p>Please clarify the contractor's intended role in the tabletop exercise. Our interpretation is that the contractor may join tabletop exercise planning meetings and use this same forum for full-scale exercise planning (Section C (11)). However, Section A identifies "deliver tabletop exercise" as a contractor deliverable. Is the contractor responsible for facilitating and evaluating this County-planned tabletop? If so, is the contractor also responsible for after-action activities, such as an after-action report and after-action meeting?</p> <p>Answers Contractor is responsible for delivery, facilitation, and evaluation of the TTX.</p> <p>Answer</p>	<p>Dec 29, 2022 1:19:54 PM PST By: Tamarack Management Limited Liability Company - tamarackmgmt</p> <p>Jan 6, 2023 12:49:31 PM PST By: gfahey</p>
<p>Question #13</p> <p>Does San Mateo County have a date and planning meeting schedule identified for its cyber tabletop exercise? If so, may you please share that timeline?</p> <p>Answers We do not have dates. However, we expect the exercises to be completed by Oct 2023.</p> <p>Answer</p>	<p>Dec 29, 2022 1:20:07 PM PST By: Tamarack Management Limited Liability Company - tamarackmgmt</p> <p>Jan 6, 2023 12:50:49 PM PST By: gfahey</p>
<p>Question #14</p> <p>We are a small out of state firm, if we were fortunate enough to be the selected bidder, would it be acceptable to register our business with the state at that time?</p> <p>Answers We do not have dates. However, we expect the exercises to be completed by Oct 2023.</p> <p>We are consulting with Procurement on this and will follow up with a response shortly.</p> <p>The language has been amended to align with recent changes to County RFP template. See Addendum No. 1 for changes.</p> <p>Answer</p>	<p>Jan 2, 2023 6:06:01 AM PST By: Critical Integrated Solutions, Inc - BennySt.John</p> <p>Jan 6, 2023 12:49:50 PM PST By: gfahey</p> <p>Jan 6, 2023 12:53:40 PM PST By: gfahey</p> <p>Jan 6, 2023 4:41:18 PM PST By: gfahey</p>
<p>Question #15</p> <p>Is CDC PHEP funding being used for this project or limited to SHSGP? Looking to avoid a potential conflict of interest.</p> <p>Answers Solely SHSGP, however, HEP has the right to supplement with PHEP and HPP funding.</p> <p>Answer</p>	<p>Jan 2, 2023 6:08:27 AM PST By: Critical Integrated Solutions, Inc - BennySt.John</p> <p>Jan 6, 2023 12:50:32 PM PST By: gfahey</p>
<p>Question #16</p> <p>Please deconflict verbiage for "HSEEP Complaint Cyber Infrastructure Attack Full Scale Exercise (FSE)". Is this meant to be a Tabletop Exercise as stated:</p> <p>Deliverables: i. Deliver tabletop exercise (TTX) to identify and address gaps in cybersecurity ii. Provide minimum 3-hour cyber security training to the San Mateo County Healthcare Coalition iii. Develop and implementing Full Scale Exercise (FSE)" Thank you</p> <p>Answers We are requiring a TTX as lead up to the FSE.</p> <p>Answer</p>	<p>Jan 2, 2023 6:20:53 AM PST By: Critical Integrated Solutions, Inc - BennySt.John</p> <p>Jan 6, 2023 12:51:57 PM PST By: gfahey</p>
<p>Question #17</p> <p>Is the hazmat for healthcare personnel training expected to be awareness- or operations-level training?</p> <p>Answers Ideally Operational</p> <p>Answer</p>	<p>Jan 2, 2023 4:55:15 PM PST By: Tamarack Management Limited Liability Company - tamarackmgmt</p> <p>Jan 6, 2023 12:52:15 PM PST By: gfahey</p>
<p>Question #18</p> <p>The level of effort, expertise, and precautionary measures for a cyber exercise may vary greatly depending upon the scenario. Does San Mateo County Health have a specific scenario in mind (i.e., additional detail beyond what is listed in Section A (2) in the RFP)?</p> <p>Answers Currently we do not have a scenario. We are in touch with experts, who will help with building the scenario.</p> <p>Answer</p>	<p>Jan 2, 2023 5:03:14 PM PST By: Tamarack Management Limited Liability Company - tamarackmgmt</p> <p>Jan 6, 2023 12:52:36 PM PST By: gfahey</p>

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<p>Question #19</p> <p>IN reference to the new amended page, would you like our SAM-required UEI (Unique Entity Identifier) in the area where you are requesting the DUNS? The DUNS is no longer in use within the SAM as of April 4, 2022.</p> <p>Answers Correct, please provide the UEI. We will provide an updated the MQs Checklist (Addendum 2)</p> <p>Answer</p>	<p>Jan 6, 2023 7:24:10 PM PST By: Aanko Technologies Inc. - aankotech</p> <p>Jan 9, 2023 12:23:09 PM PST By: gfahey</p>
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