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# Solicitation Amendment

## Total Joint Replacement Bundled Episode of Care

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### **RFP No. 15-023**

### Amendment No. 4

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**Date Issued:** December 1, 2015

**Purpose:** RFP 15-023 Questions and Answers

Amendment need not be submitted with Proposal. All other Terms, Conditions, and Specifications remain unchanged. The above referenced solicitation is amended as follows:

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#### ANTICIPATED PROCUREMENT SCHEDULE

The following procurement schedule applies to RFP 15-023 Questions and Answers:

**Q1:** For Section E, Question 1 in the Non-Cost Proposal, please clarify whether Medicaid should also be excluded for this quality measure.

**A1:** HCA is asking Proposers to include Medicaid patients for this quality measure.

**Q2:** Appendix A, Question 2d of the Submittal Document, is related to the measure of reducing infections; however, columns 2 and 5 are related to blood loss. Please clarify what is supposed to be measured.

**A2:** The text in Appendix A, Question 2d in Columns 5, 6 and 7 under the “Total Hips” heading should refer to “THR” and not “TKR”.

The text in Question 2d, Column 2 should read: “Number of TKR patients receiving measures to reduce infection such as administration of prophylactic antibiotics in the perioperative period.”

The Text in Question 2d, Column 5 should read, “Number of THR patients receiving measures to reduce infection such as administration of prophylactic antibiotics in the perioperative period.”

**Q3:** Appendix A, Question 2e of the Submittal Document is also related to the measure of blood loss. Please clarify what is supposed to be measure.

**A3:** The text in Appendix A, Question 2e should read, “Number of TKR patients receiving measures to maintain optimal blood sugar control in the per-operative period.”

The text in Question 23, Column 5 should read, “Number of THR patients receiving measures to maintain optimal blood sugar control in the perioperative period.”

**Q4:** Appendix A, Question 3c of the Submittal Document, references the result of measures from 2b instead of 3b. Please clarify which results should be used.

**A4:** The text in Appendix A, Questions 3c should read, “Results of measures from 3b....”

**Q5:** Appendix A, Question 5b of the Submittal Document asks for the number of patients readmitted within 30 days of discharge for any of the nine complications included under the terms of the warranty; however, the Bree Warranty lists on seven (7) complications in the 30 days after discharge. Please clarify if all nine (9) of the complications should be included in the measure, as well as those that may be present in 90 days after discharge.

**A5:** HCA is only interested in the number of patients readmitted within 30 days for any of the seven (7) complications listed within the warranty including: acute myocardial infarction, pneumonia, sepsis/septicemia, death, surgical site bleeding, wound infection and pulmonary embolism.

**Q6:** The Bree Warranty lists complications with ICD-9 codes although ICD-10 codes have been implemented. Please clarify the ICD-10 equivalent codes.

**A6:** The Bree Collaborative Warranty documentation was completed prior to the implementation of ICD-10 codes. For purposes of this RFP, we are using ICD-9 codes.

**Q7:** Please confirm if HCA intends to award five (5) *organizations* or five (5) *hospitals* as HCA’s Center(s) of Excellence.

**A7:** HCA anticipates awarding a Contract with up to five (5) organizations offering a Center of Excellence for TKR/THR Bundled Episode of Care. Each organization that submits a proposal needs to clearly identify their Center of Excellence.