
Solicitation Amendment

Total Joint Replacement Bundled Episode of Care

RFP No. 15-023 Amendment No. 6

Date Issued: December 8, 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:

QUESTION AND ANSWERS

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

Q1: Please confirm if the HCA intends to contract with providers who do not currently contract for the care of state employees in Washington state.

A1: HCA is not limiting this procurement to providers who are in Regence's network. This opportunity is open to any proposer who meets the criteria of the RFP.

Q2: Please confirm how many UMP Members will be covered in the Southwest Region of Washington.

A2: There are approximately 13,000 UMP Members in Cowlitz, Clark, Skamania and Klickitat Counties that will be covered.

Q3: Row 2b in Appendix A of the Submittal Document wants data on DVT/PE prophylaxis for the per-operative period. Please clarify what the HCA's definition of "peri-operative" period is and whether HCA wants to see DVT/PE prophylaxis measured outside of this timeframe.

A3: Please use the timeframe from the CMS SCIP measures for TKR/THR replacements for the DVT/PE prophylaxis for the per-operative period.

Q4: Row 4d in Appendix A of the Submittal Document results from CG-CAHPS surveys. Please clarify if HCA wants all results or the results from specific CG-CAHPS questions as with H-CAPS for Question 4b.

A4: The HCA would prefer to see the results from all of the questions in the CG-CAHPS surveys.

Q5: For Question A2 of the Non-Cost Proposal in the Submittal Document, please confirm whether HCA wants to see the number of TKR/THR procedures done by surgeons who perform a minimum of fifty of either TKR/THR surgeries per year, or ALL TKR/THR procedures done in our facility.

A5: HCA would like Proposers to include all of the TKR/THR procedures performed by the organization.

Q6: Please confirm if whether the TKR/THR count should be only for those surgeons who perform a minimum of fifty (50) of either TKR or THR procedures per year, or should it include all TKR and THR procedures that meet the criteria regardless of which surgeon performed them.

A6: In Appendix A, Section A, Provider Qualifications and Experience, the count should include volumes for all of the surgeons. In Appendix A, Section B, Bundle and Risk-Based Contract Experience, the volumes should include surgeons who are currently involved in providing bundled episodes of care following the Bree Criteria which does include a requirement of at a least fifty (50) surgeries per year.

Q7: Regarding the number of TKR/THR patients receiving measures to reduce blood loss such as administration of tranexamic acid in the per-operative period in Row 2c in Appendix A of the Submittal Document; please clarify if there is a definition/reference to expand on measures “such as”.

A7: In this instance, the Bree is referring to pharmacologic measures (i.e. medications) to reduce blood loss.

Q8: Regarding the number of TKR/THR patients receiving measures to maintain optimal blood sugar control in the peri-operative period, in Row 2e in the Appendix A of the Submittal Document, please clarify if this measure applies to only known diabetics.

A8: Yes, this only applies to known diabetics.