

NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD

November 14, 2019

Procurement Type and Number	Invitation for Bids (IFB) No. 3160003145
Procurement Title	Employee Assistance Program
Opening Date and Time	November 1, 2019, 10:00 AM, CT

The following vendors submitted responses to the above solicitation:

• Deer Oaks EAP Services, LLC, San Antonio, Texas

Responses were evaluated according to the criteria stated in the solicitation. We announce our intent to award a contract to the following vendor:

• Deer Oaks EAP Services, LLC, San Antonio, Texas

MDHS Award Analysis for IFB No. 3160003145 is located at http://www.mdhs.ms.gov/solicitation/ and https://www.ms.gov/dfa/contract_bid_search/Contract.

We would like to thank each vendor for your time and efforts in preparing a response to this solicitation.

We invite you to contact the Director of MDHS by e-mail submission to Bryan C. Wardlaw (Bryan.Wardlaw@mdhs.ms.gov), Chief Procurement Officer, if you would like to request a post-award vendor debriefing where we can share with you any applicable information about **your response** including significant weaknesses or deficiencies, technical ratings, and overall ranking specific to **your company's response**. This debriefing is a meeting and not a hearing; therefore, legal representation is not required. However, if you prefer to have legal representation present, you must provide notification prior to the scheduled meeting so that we can also have legal representation present. Your request for debriefing must be received within three (3) business days after the issuance of this notice or no later than November 19, 2019, 5:00 PM, CT.

Vendors are reminded that any protests of this decision must be submitted to Bryan C. Wardlaw, Chief Procurement Officer, within seven (7) calendar days after the issuance of this notice or no later than November 21, 2019, 1:00 PM, CT. The protest must be in writing, identify the name and

address of the protestor, provide appropriate identification of the procurement and resulting contract number (if known), and detail the nature of the protest, including available supporting exhibits, evidence, or documents to substantiate any claims.

The successful vendor is instructed not to begin work, purchase materials, or enter into subcontracts relating to the project or services until execution of the contract.

We appreciate your interest in doing business with the State of Mississippi.

Sincerely,

Bryan C. Wardlaw

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