



STATE PROCUREMENT OFFICE
NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION
FROM HRS CHAPTER 103D

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STATE PROCUREMENT OFFICE
STATE OF HAWAII

TO: Chief Procurement Officer
FROM: Department of Health
Name of Requesting Department
SUBJECT: Request for Exemption

Pursuant to HRS §103D-102(b)(4) and HAR Chapter 3-120, the Department requests a procurement exemption for the following:

1. Describe the goods, services or construction. Services to upgrade physician-based electronic health record systems (EHRs) to establish a real-time, automatic, bi-directional data exchange between the EHRs and the Department of Health's Hawaii Immunization Registry (HIR) to ensure that the HIR is populated with accurate, complete and timely immunization administration data of the statewide population. The HIR is a secure computer system that stores patient immunization information and is utilized by physicians statewide for patient care assessment. Therefore, it is vital that HIR receive accurate, complete, and timely immunization administration data submissions from physicians statewide.	
2. Vendor/Contractor Name : Epic Systems Corporation	3. Amount of Request: \$ 72,000
4. Term of Contract: From: 9/17/2012 To: 8/31/2013	5. Prior Exemption Reference No.:
6. Explain in detail, why it is not practicable or not advantageous for the department to procure by competitive means: EPIC is the proprietary EHR provider that developed and maintains the EHRs for Hawaii's three largest healthcare organizations: Hawaii Pacific Health, Kaiser Permanente, and Queen's Medical Center. These organizations together employ the largest number of physicians in the State, serving over 460,000 patients statewide and administers over 347,000 immunizations annually. It is most cost-efficient and economical for the DOH to procure through EPIC for the upgrade of the EHRs as EPIC serves the largest healthcare organizations in the State, which in turn, serves the majority of the population. Procuring these services through EPIC will effectively maximize the data exchange functionalities of the upgrade to meet the performance measures for the limited funds received through the Prevention and Public Health competitive grant.	
7. In selecting the vendor/contractor, explain in detail, the process the department will utilize to maximize fair and open competition: The DOH will select the provider that offers the most advantageous, cost-effective product for the State. Due to the complexity of the tasks and the requirement for the provider to have familiarity and understanding of the EHR systems utilized by Hawaii Pacific Health, Kaiser Permanente, and Queen's Medical Center, DOH has determined that only EPIC is capable of providing the necessary service as the EHRs utilized by these healthcare organizations are proprietary to EPIC. Hence, open competition is not practical and it would be advantageous for the State to use EPIC, as delays in this project would result in a potential loss of these federal funds.	

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8. Identify the primary individual(s) who is knowledgeable about this request, who will conduct and manage this process and has completed mandatory training. (Type over "example" and delete cells not used)

Name of Department Personnel	Division/Agency	Phone Number	e-mail address
Tammie Wong	DOCD/Health	587-6599	tammie.wong@doh.hawaii.gov

9. The department shall ensure adherence to applicable administrative and statutory requirements, and all requirements, approvals, and internal controls for this request are the responsibility of the department.

I certify that the information provided above is, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct.



Department Head Signature

8/3/12

Date

For Chief Procurement Officer Use Only

Date Notice Posted

8/7/12

Submit written objections to this notice to issue an exemption from Chapter 103D, HRS, within seven calendar days or as otherwise allowed from date notice posted to:

Chief Procurement Officer
 State Procurement Office P.O.
 Box 119 Honolulu, Hawaii
 96810-0119

10. Chief Procurement Officer (CPO) Comments:

This approval is based on the departments representation that only EPIC is capable of providing the necessary services to establish a real-time, automatic, bi-directional data exchange between the major hospitals and the DOH's Hawaii Immunization Registry. Approval is granted for the period 09/17/12 to 08/31/13. This approval is for the solicitation process only, HRS section 103D-310(c) and HAR section 3-122-112, shall apply (i.e. vendor is required to be compliant on the Hawaii Compliance Express) and award is required to be posted on the Awards Reporting System.

If there are any questions, please contact Kevin Takaesu at 586-0568, or kevin.s.takaesu@hawaii.gov.

Approved Disapproved No Action Required


 Chief Procurement Officer Signature

9/10/2012
 Date