

STATE OF HAWAII
**NOTICE OF AND REQUEST FOR
 RESTRICTIVE PURCHASE OF SERVICE**
 PURSUANT TO §103F-403, HRS

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To: Chief Procurement Officer

ADMINISTRATION
 STATE PROCUREMENT OFFICE
 STATE OF HAWAII

From: Health/Family Health Services Div/Children with Spec Health Needs Branch
Department/Division/Branch or Office

Pursuant to §103F-403, HRS, and Chapter 3-144, HAR, the department head has made a determination that an adequate basis for a restrictive purchase of services exists and requests approval to make a restrictive purchase for the following:

1.	Title and description of health and human service(s):	Clinical geneticist review of telehealth genetic counseling sessions, provided by a board certified genetic counselor, to families who have or are at risk for Thalassemia or other hemoglobinopathies.
2.	Provider Name and Address:	Kapiolani Medical Specialists, 55 Merchant Street, 24th Floor, Honolulu, HI 96813
3.	Total Contract Funds:	\$8,000
	Contract Funds per Year (if applicable):	
4.	RH No. of Previous Request for this Service (if applicable)	
5.	Term of Contract:	Start: July 1, 2015 End: June 30, 2016
	If the contract term is longer than 1 year, provide justification for the extended term:	
6.	Describe the circumstances justifying a restrictive purchase: See attached	

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Pursuant to §103F-403, Hawaii Revised Statutes and Chapter 3-144, Hawaii Administrative Rules, the aforementioned purchasing agency has submitted a request to the chief procurement officer for a restrictive purchase of service for health and human services, and if approved, intends to purchase the service without issuing a request for proposals.

Any person may file a written protest under the procedures established under Chapter 3-148, Hawaii Administrative Rules, located on the web at www.spo.hawaii.gov, click *Statutes and Rules* and *Procurement of Health and Human Services*. Protests shall be hand delivered or postmarked by United States Postal Service within seven (7) days after the date this notice is first published on the internet. If hand delivered it must be submitted by 4:30 PM, Hawaii Standard Time, within seven days after day this notice is first published. Protests must be submitted to the following procurement officer and head of the purchasing agency:

Procurement Officer for this Procurement
Gordon Takaki
Public Health Administrative Officer
Family Health Services Division
3652 Kilauea Avenue,
Honolulu, HI 96816

Head of Purchasing Agency
Virginia Pressler, M.D.
Director of Health
1250 Punchbowl Street
Honolulu, HI 96813

Protest forms and instructions are on the web at: www.spo.hawaii.gov, click *Health and Human Services, Chapter 103F...* and *Forms for Private Providers*. Questions should be directed to the contact person noted in item 9 of the request.

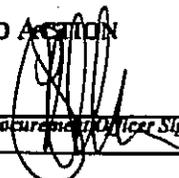
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Chief Procurement Officer's Comments:

This approval is for the procurement process only. The service provider is required to be compliant with applicable laws and provide proof of compliance, if applicable. This award is required to be posted on the Awards Reporting System.

If there are any questions, please contact Corinne Higa at 587-4706, or corinne.y.higa@hawaii.gov.

APPROVED DISAPPROVED NO ACTION



Chief Procurement Officer Signature

8/20/15

Date

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Please ensure adherence to applicable administrative requirements.

6. The unique features, characteristics, or capabilities of the goods, service, or construction

Approximately 30 newborns per month are identified by the Hawaii Newborn Metabolic Screening Program (NBMS) to be at risk for thalassemia trait or disease. The NBMS is responsible for ensuring appropriate follow-up for infants who are identified with a hemoglobinopathy through newborn screening. Appropriate follow-up to the identified newborns and their families includes genetic counseling and DNA mutation analysis to confirm a diagnosis. This information is important to providing management to newborns with a significant thalassemia condition and avoiding a possible fatal thalassemic condition in future pregnancies. Of particular importance is providing genetic counseling to families on Hawaii's Neighbor Islands, who may not have resources to travel to Oahu for an appointment. The telehealth (video-conferencing) option will enable those families to receive services.

Hawaii Community Genetics (HCG) was developed in 2005 as a collaboration of the Hawaii Department of Health, Kapiolani Medical Specialists, Kapiolani Medical Center, Queen's Medical Center, and the University of Hawaii John A. Burns School of Medicine. HCG is administratively under the Kapiolani Medical Specialists (KMS). HCG is the only comprehensive pediatric genetics program in the state and has the only full-time board certified pediatric geneticist, Medical Director Dr. Laurie Seaver. The HCG pediatric geneticist is able and qualified to provide review of the telehealth genetic counseling sessions conducted by the board certified genetic counselors employed by the Department of Health.

We require that Dr. Laurie Seaver will be the ordering physician for laboratory tests ordered after the initial genetic counseling session with the parents of the identified newborn. We also need Dr. Laurie Seaver to review all genetic counseling sessions conducted by the board certified genetic counselors employed by the Department of Health.

The \$8,000 is a lump sum payment and not fee-for-service since we cannot predict the exact number of babies who will screen positive for alpha thalassemia and require Dr. Seaver's services.

7. Describe the efforts and results that this is the only vendor who can provide the goods, services or construction.

One responsibility of the Hawaii Department of Health Genomics Section is to be up-to date and knowledgeable about the genetic service providers in our state, regionally and nationally. We are often contacted by providers and families for information about genetic service providers so knowing accurate information is important.

In order to be an M.D. geneticist, one needs to be board certified by the American Board of Medical Genetics (ABMG). The Department of Health would not contract with anyone that does not have the current board certification to provide genetic services due to liability issues. Below is the listing of ABMG board certified geneticists in Hawaii. The only three board certified pediatric geneticists in the state are Laurie Seaver, Julie Ireland, and Adam Kanis. Dr. Seaver is the Director of Hawaii Community Genetics and works at Kapiolani

Medical Center for Women and Children as a Kapiolani Medical Specialists employee. Dr. Ireland works part-time (2-3 days per week) as a metabolic geneticist at Kaiser under contract. She does not have a practice outside of Kaiser and is not interested in additional work. Dr. Kanis is in the army and works at Schofield. The military has removed genetic services from Tripler Army Medical Center so Dr. Kanis is currently working as a general surgeon. An additional geneticist, Dr. Neidengard, actually lives and works in Texas but has a Hawaii license since his parents live in Hawaii. The other genetics-trained physicians in Hawaii work in prenatal genetics. The non-physician PhD geneticists work in laboratory genetics or are retired from practice. ✓

Bogart, Mark, PhD, Honolulu, HI (retired)
Donlon, Timothy, PhD, Honolulu, HI (laboratory director)
Hirata, Greigh, M.D., Honolulu, HI (prenatal geneticist)
Ireland, Julie, M.D. Honolulu, HI (pediatric geneticist with Kaiser)
Kanis, Adam, MD, PhD, Honolulu, HI (currently not practicing genetics in the Army)
Neidengard, Lee, M.D., Kalaheo, HI (lives in Texas)
Seaver, Laurie, MD, Honolulu, HI (pediatric geneticist)
Towner, Dena, MD, Honolulu, HI (prenatal geneticist)

The list can be found by searching at <http://www.abmg.org/pages/searchmem.shtml>

Therefore, the only MD board certified clinical pediatric geneticist available to contract to review the genetic counseling sessions and order the necessary laboratory tests for the Department of Health is Dr. Laurie Seaver who works for Kapiolani Medical Specialists. Please note that Dr. Thomas Slavin, pediatric geneticist, moved from Hawaii to California in July 2014 and no longer practices in Hawaii.



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