



**BOONE COUNTY, MISSOURI**  
**Request for Bid #: 38-24JUL12 – Prescription Medication for the Inmates of the Boone County Jail**

**ADDENDUM #2 - Issued July 20, 2012**

This addendum is issued in accordance with the Introduction and General Conditions of Bidding in the Request for Bid and is hereby incorporated into and made a part of the Request for Bid Documents. Bidders are reminded that receipt of this addendum **should** be acknowledged and submitted with Bidder's *Response Form*.

Specifications for the above noted Request for Bid and the work covered thereby are herein modified as follows, and except as set forth herein, otherwise remain unchanged and in full force and effect:

The County has received the following questions and is providing a response:

1. What is the average number of prescriptions filled per month?

**Response:** 269

2. What is the current contract rate for pharmacy services?

**Response:**

Description	Unit Price	
<b>Name Brand Drugs:</b> % Discount off Average Wholesale Price (AWP)	AWP Minus	13%
<b>Generic Drugs:</b> % Discount off Average Wholesale Price (AWP) or Medicaid Maximum Allowable Cost (MAC)	AWP Minus	30%
Dispensing Fee Per Prescription (max \$4.00)	\$3.50	
OTC Drugs % Discount off List Price	10%	
Consultation Hourly Fee	Per Hour	\$ 60.00
Price List Utilized for Pricing	Red Book	
Medications which do not apply	Special order (non-stocked) items must be ordered in full manufacturer package sizes.	

3. Does your facility have a U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) registration, which is required to receive stock controlled substances (i.e. Schedule II-IV medications)?

**Response:** Yes

4. Is your facility's physical address listed as the business address on the DEA license of at least one of your facility's providers?

**Response:** County Medical Director's DEA number has the Boone County jail's address listed and the DEA number is a separate number just for the Boone County Jail which has an associated Missouri substance abuse number as well.

#### **5. FDA Registered Repacker**

A company must be a FDA Registered Repacker to legally repackage stock medications into blister cards.

a. Will you mandate that the pharmacy vendor use a FDA Registered Repacker?

**Response:** The County will follow all required laws.

b. Will you require bidders to provide evidence that they use an FDA Registered Repacker, i.e., provide the repacker's license and labeler code?

**Response:** The County will follow all required laws.

c. Will you require documentation to be submitted as part of the proposal?

**Response:** Offeror may submit at time of their proposal response or it may be requested at a later date by County.

#### **6. Licensed Wholesaler**

A vendor is required by law to be a licensed wholesaler in a particular state to distribute wholesale quantities of stock medications in that state.

a. Will you require bidders to provide evidence that they are a licensed wholesaler in the bidder's home state and in your state?

**Response:** The County will follow all required laws.

b. Will you require documentation to be submitted as part of the proposal?

**Response:** Offeror may submit at time of their proposal response or it may be requested at a later date by County.

#### **7. NCCHC/ACA**

Is your facility accredited by the National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCHC) or American Correctional Association (ACA)? If not, do you expect to seek accreditation during the term of contract?

**Response:** No and No

#### **8. Pharmacist Licenses**

The RFP states that all orders must be processed and checked by a Missouri-licensed pharmacist. If a mail-order pharmacy can provide clear documentation that shows the pharmacy is properly licensed to conduct business in the State of Missouri, would it be acceptable for medication orders to be processed and checked by pharmacists working for an out-of-state mail-order pharmacy vendor?

**Response:** The County will follow all required laws.

**9. Regulations** - The Prescription Drug Marketing Act of 1987 (PDMA) requires vendors to provide electronic pedigree papers (ePedigrees) with all stock medications.

a. Will you require the pharmacy vendor to provide FDA-mandated pedigree papers for stock medications?

**Response:** The County will follow all required laws.

#### **10. Packaging & Labeling**

True unit-dose dispensing is required in many states before a pharmacy vendor is allowed to accept returns and provide credit on returned medications. A pharmacy vendor that dispenses medications in blister cards

(both stock and patient specific) must individually label each bubble of the blister card with a medication's name, strength, manufacturer, NDC number, lot, and expiration date. Will you mandate that the pharmacy vendor be in complete compliance at time of proposal submission with this requirement?

**Response:** No

11. Does your facility use and enforce a formulary?

**Response:** Yes

12. What is your medication return policy? How are controlled substances destroyed, as they cannot be returned?

**Response:** If destroyed, they are confirmed by witness

13. Are current medication carts able to be purchased or are new carts required? How many med carts do you need?

**Response:** We do not use medication carts

14. Do you currently receive inspections and, if so, how frequently?

**Response:** At present, there is not a set schedule of inspections.

15. What current committees are in place that would require a pharmacist to attend? What is the frequency of these meetings?

**Response:** At present, there is not a set schedule for these meetings, but may schedule them as needed to correct any problems that may occur within the scope of the contract requirements.

16. Does your facility currently use a barcode electronic order reconciliation and medication return management system?

**Response:** No

17. If bidders offer services beyond your proposal specifications—such as free electronic prescribing and an electronic medical administration record (MAR) program—can we submit that information in our proposal and would those services be considered?

**Response:** Offerors are welcome to submit any additional proposal material; however anything outside the scope of the RFP is not guaranteed qualitative review.

18. Is it the intent of Boone County to issue an award in full or to award to multiple vendors?

**Response:** Award recommendation for contract(s) will be determined following evaluations of proposals received.

19. Can you clarify what source will be used to verify FUL and Medicaid MAC pricing for generic medications?


**Response:** No

20. Could you please provide medication utilization information: list of medications, doses, quantity used over six months or one year.

**Response:** The County does not currently have this information, but if we are successful in obtaining it prior to the RFP opening, we will issue another addendum.

21. Will there be an opportunity to ask more questions in the event responses are not clear?

**Response:** Bid Due Date and Opening Date is August 1, 2012, 1:30 p.m. If the County receives the questions in time to provide a response in the form of an addendum, then yes more questions may be submitted.

By:   
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**Director of Purchasing**

OFFEROR has examined copy of Addendum #2 to Request for Bid # **38-24JUL12 – Prescription Medication for the Inmates of the Boone County Jail** receipt of which is hereby acknowledged:

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