

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS  
SOLICITATION NUMBER VA248-16-R-1360

Q1. Would the Government treat a SDVOSB joint venture as TJC-certified if the JV is between an SBA-approved Mentor & Protégé and the Mentor firm is TJC certified but the Protégé is not? (Reference Q2 in Amendment A00002)

A1. Yes, As long as the SDVOSB is certified in VETBIZ at the time of submission of offer and adheres to JV rules.

Q2. Reference Factor 3, Past Performance, Subfactor 1 (page 62) – Are we required to provide 3 references for all 15 proposed Sterile Supply Technicians? (Reference Q13 in Amendment A00002)

A2. FACTOR 3 – PAST PERFORMANCE: Subfactor 1 has been removed. The three (3) references for all fifteen (15) candidates will not be required at the time of submission of the proposal(s). The Government will require three (3) references for each candidate at the time of award.

Q3. In consideration of the short timeframe, would the government consider adjusting the requirement to provide resumes/credentials for all 15 FTEs, instead evaluating a sample pool of candidates? (Reference Q19 in Amendment A00002)

A3. The Government is willing to accept a pool of eight (8) candidates to evaluate.

Q4. We no longer see the requirement from the presolicitation that the offeror be certified by TJC. Has that requirement been removed? (Reference Q23 in Amendment A00002)

A4. Please refer to question Q1 above.

Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation (AAMI) are the guidelines followed by the VA. The Joint Commission routinely inspects the VA to ensure that AAMI guidelines are being met and that Manufacture Instructions for Use (IFU) are followed on all Reusable Medical Equipment.