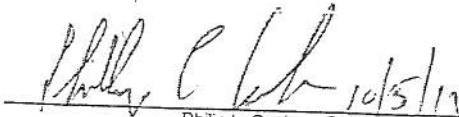


DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
Justification and Approval
For
Other Than Full and Open Competition

1. **Contracting Activity:** Department of Veterans Affairs, VISN 12 GLAC, 695 Medical Center – CLEMENT J ZABLOCKI, MILWAUKEE, WI 53295
695-12-1-2144-0001
2. **Nature and/or Description of the Action Being Processed:** JUSTIFICATION AND APPROVAL FOR OTHER THAN FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION FOR A SOLE SOURCE REQUIREMENT. PROCUREMENT WILL PROCEED ON A SOLE SOURCE BASIS.
3. **Description of Supplies/Services Required to Meet the Agency's Needs:** Six (6) month Gym Memberships for VA Patients eligible to participate in the VA HSRD Funded Research Study. Estimated yearly cost of \$60,000.00.
4. **Statutory Authority Permitting Other than Full and Open Competition:**
(X) (1) Only One Responsible Source and No Other Supplies or Services Will Satisfy Agency Requirements per FAR 6.302-1;
5. **Demonstration that the Contractor's Unique Qualifications or Nature of the Acquisition Requires the Use of the Authority Cited Above (applicability of authority):**
The YMCA of Greater Milwaukee is the only organization in the Metro Milwaukee area that meets all of the criteria we established for our community-based research project involving the Veterans' Service Organization. Criteria: Location (10-15 minutes from our 16 host posts), Centralized Billing, Membership Fee under \$200, Swimming Pools available at each location, Supportive environment for diverse ages and skill levels, and Method of tracking gym use by members.
6. **Description of Efforts Made to ensure that offers are solicited from as many potential sources as deemed practicable:** We contacted 7 other Gym's in the Milwaukee area. SNAP, Anytime Fitness, WI Athletic Club, Bally Total Fitness, and Gold's Gym. None of them had all of the 6 major requirements ; Location, Centralized Billing, Membership Fee under \$200, Swimming Pool, Supportive environment for diverse ages and skill levels, and method of tracking gym use by members.
7. **Determination by the Contracting Officer that the Anticipated Cost to the Government will be Fair and Reasonable:** Retail costs of these memberships range from \$362 to \$392, the VA is getting a discounted rate of \$162 to \$192. Rates are based on age.

8. **Description of the Market Research Conducted and the Results, or a Statement of the Reasons Market Research Was Not Conducted:** We contacted 7 other Gym's in the Milwaukee area. SNAP, Anytime Fitness, WI Athletic Club, Bally Total Fitness, and Gold's Gym. None of them had all of the 6 major requirements; Location, Centralized Billing, Membership Fee under \$200, Swimming Pool, Supportive environment for diverse ages and skill levels, and method of tracking gym use by members.
9. **Any Other Facts Supporting the Use of Other than Full and Open Competition:** None
10. **Listing of Sources that Expressed, in Writing, an Interest in the Acquisition:** None.
11. **A Statement of the Actions, if any, the Agency May Take to Remove or Overcome any Barriers to Competition before Making subsequent acquisitions for the supplies or services required:** None
12. **Requirements Certification:** I certify that the requirement outlined in this justification is a Bona Fide Need of the Department of Veterans Affairs and that the supporting data under my cognizance, which are included in the justification, are accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.


Philip L. Cook Date 10/5/11
Director of Research
Operations

Name
Title
Facility

Date

13. Approvals in accordance with FAR 6.304 *This part is filled out by Contracting Staff as part of the Justification*

a. **Contracting Officer's Certification (required):**

I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Teresa Beers-Wesolowski 12/5/11
Name Teresa Beers-Wesolowski Date
Title, Facility
GIAC - Contract Specialist

b. **NCM/PCM (Required \$3K and above):** I certify the justification meets requirements for other than full and open competition.

for Linda Krysiak 12-6-11
Christine Hansen Date
Network Contract Manager, Network 12