

PROJECT NUMBER:	610A4-08-104
PROJECT TITLE:	Renovate and Upgrade Patient Areas
PROJECT LOCATION:	Department of Veterans Affairs VA Northern Indiana Health Care System

RFI Responses

RFI NO.: 001	DATE: 2/24/17	SPEC/DWG. REFERENCE(S): MD101 & MD102
REPLY NEEDED BY: ASAP		

INFORMATION NEEDED:

TO DEMO THE OUTSIDE WALL HVAC UNITS, THE EXISTING SUPPLY LINES WILL BE CUT AND CAPPED. ARE THERE SHUTOFF VALVES IN PLACE FOR THIS OR WILL BOTH SHUT OFF'S HAVE TO BE SCHEDULED OFF HOURS TO ACCOMPLISH THIS?

Response: 1. There are not shutoff valves located at each unit. The supply loop for the section of wall units being demo'd will need to be isolated and drained prior to cutting and capping.

RFI NO.: 002	DATE: 2/24/17	SPEC/DWG. REFERENCE(S): AE-101.A THRU AE-101.E
REPLY NEEDED BY: ASAP		

INFORMATION NEEDED:

DURING THE PRE-BID MEETING SEVERAL ITEMS WERE MENTIONED AS 'SOLE SOURCE'. NURSE CALL AND FIRE ALARM AS I RECALL. ARE THERE ANY OTHER 'SOLE SOURCE' ITEMS SUCH AS - WIRELESS ACCESS POINTS, WALL GUARD, BUMPER GUARD, CORNER GUARD, ETC...?

Response: 2. All items that are tying into existing systems (i.e. Nurse Call, Fire Alarm, Wireless Access Points) will require seamless integration. While Sole-Sourcing may not be called out, integration may require specific products be used for proper functionality.

RFI NO.: 003	DATE: 2/24/17	SPEC/DWG. REFERENCE(S): AE-003 THRU AE-005
REPLY NEEDED BY: ASAP		

INFORMATION NEEDED:

AT THE WALK THRU, WE WERE ABLE TO SEE ABOVE MOST CEILING IN PHASE 3. IT APPEARED THAT ALL METAL LATHE/PLASTER CEILINGS WERE REMOVED EXCEPT AROUND THE OUTSIDE WALLS. WILL THIS REMAINING METAL/LATHE CEILING HAVE TO BE REMOVED FOR NEW ABOVE CEILING WORK?

PHASE 2 WE WERE NOT ALLOWED TO SEE ABOVE THE CEILING. IS IT JUST LIKE PHASE 3? CAN THE VA PROVIDE PHOTOS OF EXISTING PHASE 2 ABOVE CEILINGS WHEN RESPONDING TO THIS RFI?

Response: 3. Above ceiling in 4 East is in similar condition. Any remaining metal lathe and plaster ceiling shall be removed during demo. All abandon/unused pipe/conduit shall be removed as well. Please see photos in Appendix 1, Above Ceiling 4th Floor East Wing.

RFI NO.: 004	DATE: 2/24/17	SPEC/DWG. REFERENCE(S): AE-101.A THRU AE-101.E
REPLY NEEDED BY: ASAP		

INFORMATION NEEDED:

WILL TIE INS FOR MEP TRADES ON FLOORS ABOVE AND BELOW BE ACCOMPLISHED DURING NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS OR OFF HOURS?

WHEN EACH PHASE BE UNOCCUPIED DURING CONSTRUCTION?

Response: 4. MEP Tie-ins that will significantly interrupt normal hospital operation will need to be scheduled with the COR for After Hours/Weekend work. Each Phase Area will be unoccupied during construction.

RFI NO.: 005	DATE: 2/24/17	SPEC/DWG. REFERENCE(S): AE-003 THRU AE-005
REPLY NEEDED BY: ASAP		

INFORMATION NEEDED:

MANY ROOMS HAVE TERRAZO BORDERS WITH VCT IN THE CENTER. IS THE INTENT FOR BOTH THE TERRAZO AND THE VCT TO BE REMOVED?

THIS DEMO WILL CERTAINLY RESULT IN UNEVEN FLOORS AT VARYING ELEVATIONS, NOT REALLY ACCEPTABLE FOR NEW FLOORING MATERIAL INSTALL.

PLEASE CONSIDER ADDING SELF LEVELING FLOORING TO SCOPE OF WORK FOR ALL BIDDERS.

Response: 5. Floor leveling is covered in section 09 05 16, Subsurface Preparation for Floor Finishes

RFI NO.: 006	DATE: 2/24/17	SPEC/DWG. REFERENCE(s): AE101.A THRU AE101.E
REPLY NEEDED BY: ASAP		

INFORMATION NEEDED:

IF NEW CEILING STRUCTURE MOUNTED EQUIP. IS TO BE INSTALLED, ARE WE THE CONTRACTORS REQUIRED TO PROVIDE P.E. STAMPED DRWS. FOR THE SUPPORTS?

SAME TOPIC AS ABOVE, BUT MORE ABOUT THE BUILDING ITSELF. HAS THE A/E VERIFIED THE EXISTING STRUCTURE CAN SUPPORT ANY ADDED LOAD?

Response: 6. See Note on Drawing IN-101.E

RFI NO.: 007	DATE: 2/24/17	SPEC/DWG. REFERENCE(s): AE101.A THRU AE101.E
REPLY NEEDED BY: ASAP		

INFORMATION NEEDED:

IF ANY NEW WALL CONSTRUCTION PARTIALLY BLOCKS THE EXISTING PERIMETER WINDOWS, WILL 'SPANDREL' TYPE GLASS BE REQUIRED TO BE INSTALLED?

Response: 7. Opaque film shown applied on wall covered windows, (i.e. AE-501)

Appendix A – Above Ceiling Photos, 4th Floor East Wing























