

**THIS REQUEST FOR INFORMATION (RFI) – SOURCES SOUGHT IS ISSUED SOLELY
FOR MARKET RESEARCH AND PLANNING PURPOSES ONLY AND DOES NOT
CONSTITUTE A SOLICITATION.**

1. Responses to this Sources Sought must be in writing. The purpose of this Sources Sought Announcement is for market research only to make appropriate acquisition decisions and to gain knowledge of Small Business Capability, including Service Disabled Veteran Owned Small Businesses and Veteran Owned Small Businesses (SDVOSB/VOSB) interested and capable of performing the work.
2. The NAICS for this requirement is 541219 – Other Accounting Services.
3. Interested and capable Contractors should respond to this notice not later than 12:00 PM PST on Friday, March 31, 2017 by providing the following via email only to Ms. Jenny Peters at Jennelyn.Peters@va.gov.
 - (a) Company Name
 - (b) Address
 - (c) Point of contact
 - (d) Phone, fax, and email of primary point of contact
 - (e) DUNS number
 - (f) Type of small business, if applicable, (e.g. Services Disabled Veteran Owned small Business(SDVOSB), Veteran-owned small business (VOSB), 8(a), HUB-Zone, Women Owned Small Business, Small disadvantaged business, or Small Business).
 - (g) Subcontractor company name and address, if any
 - (h) A capability statement that addresses the organization's qualifications and ability to perform as a contractor *specifically* for the work described in paragraph 5. Respondents are also encouraged to provide specific examples (e.g. contract number, point of contact information) of the Contractor's experience providing the same or similar supplies/services to that described in paragraph 5.
4. SDVOSB/VOSB respondents.
 - (a) If respondent is VOSB or SDVOSB, respondent is encouraged to provide proof of www.vetbiz.gov certification. In addition, SDVOSB/VOSB Contractors are asked to acknowledge that they understand the limitations on sub-contracting pursuant to FAR 52.219-14, Limitations on Sub-Contracting, which will be included in the impending solicitation. Furthermore, SDVOSB/VOSB contractors are asked to respond that they are capable of providing the requested services keeping within the parameters of this clause.
 - (b) Small businesses, including SDVOSB/VOSBS are also advised that per 13 CFR, § 125.6 the prime contractor's limitations on subcontracting are as follows:
 - (1) *General*. In order to be awarded a full or partial small business set-aside contract with a value greater than \$150,000, an 8(a) contract, an SDVOSB contract, a HUBZone contract, a WOSB or EDWOSB contract pursuant to part 127 of this chapter, a small business concern must agree that:
 - i. In the case of a contract for services (except construction), it will not pay more than 50% of the amount paid by the government to firms that are not similarly situated. Any work that a

similarly situated subcontractor further subcontracts will count towards the 50% subcontract amount that cannot be exceeded.

5. Scope of Work

The Government is seeking for Contractor(s) that are capable of providing medical coding and audit services for various Veterans Affairs (VA) Medical Centers within Veterans Integrated Service Network (VISN) 22. The participating medical facilities are VA San Diego, Greater Los Angeles, Long Beach and Loma Linda Healthcare Systems. These services shall be performed at the Contractor's facility.

The Contractor(s) shall assign the current appropriate International Classification of Diseases (ICD); Common Procedural Terminology (CPT); and Healthcare Common Procedural Coding System (HCPCS) codes based on health record documentation of outpatient, surgical, and inpatient care and services provided at the participating medical facilities, and to conduct coding audits of inpatient and outpatient encounters. The base period of performance is anticipated to begin on or before September 1, 2017 for a period of one year with four (4) one-year options.

6. Please note that if VA's pending market research establishes that two or more VOSB or SDVOSB, who are certified in VA's Vendor Information Pages (VIP) site <https://www.vip.vetbiz.gov/>, can perform the services, VA will set aside the underlying solicitation per 38 U.S.C. §8127.
7. All Offerors who provide goods or services to the United States Federal Government must be registered in the System for Award Management (SAM) database found at <https://www.sam.gov>. Registration must include Representations and Certifications.

--End of Sources Sought Announcement--