

NON-PET RADIOPHARMACEUTICALS FOR VA PALO ALTO HEALTHCARE SYSTEM
(VAPAHCS)
QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS
NON-PET RADIOPHARMACEUTICALS/ PR# 640-18-1-053-0004

Question 1: Does the VA Palo Alto Healthcare System only provide FDA approved products to their patients?

Answer 1: ***Only FDA approved products***

Question2: On Page 3 of 25 under section 4 of Performance Period it is stated: For time period covering FY 2018 (Oct 1, 2017 through Sept 30, 2018) (Option years highly encouraged). The Price table listed on pages 7 and 8 is requesting Base Year and then Option Year 1. Are additional Option Years being requested outside of Option Year 1? If the answer is Yes, how would you like the additional option years addressed, and how many additional option years (outside of Option Year 1) are being requested?

Answer 2: ***We are only authorized to solicit for one base year plus one option year at this time.***

Question 3: It states on the price table 100% LEU-Tc99m. Currently, LEU is not being manufactured on a daily basis and is thus not presently available from any source to cover all needs. Is what is being referenced in the priced table mean that you are requesting LEU pricing for all Tc-99m Products, and that they will be provided based on availability?

Answer 3: ***LEU to be provided on availability. Provide expected percentage of LEU-Tc99m to be available for FY18. The VA prioritizes LEU-TC99m***

Question 4: Can you please provide clarification on A.11 VAAR 852.211-73 Brand Name or Equal? Is this requiring the use of generic FDA approved products? Or is this stating that VA Palo Alto Healthcare System is allowing non-FDA approved products to their patients?

Answer 4: ***Generic is acceptable, as long as it is FDA approved***

Question 5: On Page 23 of 25, can you please clarify what the following statement is meaning?: The following provisions are incorporated into 52.212-1 as an addendum to this solicitation: (a) If a vendor is providing a quote with equal products, the vendor shall submit sufficient supporting documentation with product literature that demonstrates how each equal product meets the corresponding salient characteristics. The quote must also include an index that identifies the location of the information submitted that demonstrates an item meets the corresponding salient characteristic. Vendors who are providing a quote with equal products, and fail to provide sufficient supporting documentation, product literature and an index will not be considered for award. Is the prior statement referencing the equal use of FDA approved products, generic vs brand name? Or is VA Palo Alto Healthcare System stating that they will allow a non-FDA approved product as long as documentation is provided that states it has the equivalent characteristics as the FDA approved product?

Answer 5: *Only FDA approved products are accepted..*

Question 6: Price/Cost Schedule. Can a column be added to include notes for clarification as to what is being provided?

Answer 6: *Yes*

Question 7: Tl-201 Chloride UD: This item is typically billed and priced per mCi. Can we provide this item price per mCi, or are you requesting it to be calculated out to the 3mCi per Unit Dose?

Answer 7: *Per mCi*

Question 8: Ga-67 (Gallium Citrate) UD (~6mCi per UD or \$34 per mCi): This item is typically billed and priced per mCi. Can we provide this item price per mCi, or are you requesting it be calculated out to reflect a Unit Dose size of 6mCi?

Answer 8: *Per mCi*

Question 9: I-123 Ioflupane (DaT Scan): Due to manufacturer distribution rights, this product is only available through a sole source. Can this be removed from the solicitation?

Answer 9: *Yes*

Question 10: Tc99m DMSA UD per 1-5mCi dose/vial: This product is not scheduled to return to the market from the manufacturer until 2020. Can this be removed from the solicitation?

Answer 10: *Yes*

Question 11: Tc99m Mebrofenin (Choletec) UD: This product has an FDA approved generic mebrofenin that is able to be substituted. Are we able to list the generic for this line item?

Answer 11: *Yes*

Question 12: Tc99m NaTc04 QC-Activity as needed, per 300mCi Vial: This item is typically billed and priced per mCi. Can we provide this item price per mCi, or are you requesting it to be calculated out to the 300mCi per vial?

Answer 12: *Per mCi*