

RFIs for 36C257-18-Q-9708 Build Pharmacy Compounding USP 800

Q1. During the site walk it was discussed that the ICRA classification for this project was still to be decided. Spec section 01 35 26 paragraph 1.12 indicates the ICRA is to be Class IV. Please confirm.

A1. Due to the proximity of the project area to both the Pharmacy Laboratory and the Chemotherapy Clinic, construction must meet the requirements for Class IV ICRA containment.

Q2. Please indicate where the contractor is to exhaust negative air for the ICRA containment.

A2. ICRA exhaust may be accomplished through the same roof opening as required for the installation of the compounding hood. Confirm location with Mechanical Engineer and Architect prior to construction. Provide shop drawings of opening protectives that will maintain new (2018) roof warranty.

Q3. Demolition note # 11/AS100 requires removal of the existing patient lift rails back to nearest joint. Please confirm this will require the salvage and re-use of the end-of-rail stop assemblies. Please confirm the manufacturer of the patient lift system so that bidders may contact the appropriate installers.

A3. Contractor to verify with manufacturer if end-of-rail stops can be re-used and re-installed. Rail manufacturer is Liko by Hill-Rom, Model #242S.

Q4. Details 1 & 3/AS100 reference and "Alternate 1" for leaving the existing patient lift rails in place and revising the west wall location to accommodate. The Price/Cost Schedule in paragraph A.2 of the solicitation does not include an alternate. Please advise.

A4. VA Contracting to provide revised Price/Cost Schedule with entry for alternate.

Q5. Demolition note # 13/AS100 requires removal of a section of modular furniture. Often times the modification of this type of furniture requires replacement parts and specialty tools. Is this to be performed by the Contractor or by the VA? If by Contractor, please provide manufacturer and local furniture representative information, as this was not obvious at the site walk and the space is not accessible to bidders.

A5. VA Facilities Staff to assist with disassembly and moving of modular furniture.

Q6. Please confirm this project is to be performed during daytime normal working hours.

A6. Working hours will be the normal hours of operation of the VA which is 8:00AM to 4:30 PM Monday through Friday except for Federal Holidays. If the Contractor desires to work on Saturday, Sunday, holidays, or outside the project site's normal working hours the contractor must submit a written request for approval to the VA-COR at least ten (10) working days prior to the proposed start of such work.

Q7. Please provide keynote 5/PD101. It is depicted on the plan but not listed with the keynote info.

A7. Keyed Note 5 to read as follows:

“Existing CW and HW piping above ceiling to remain.”

Q8. Please indicate the crawlspace ceiling height.

A8. Crawlspace ceiling height is approximately 6’.

Q9. Please indicate the location of existing sprinkler mains referenced in demo note 1/FX101

A9. Contractor is responsible for field verification of sprinkler main location – Mechanical Engineer is available to assist Contractors for on-site verification of sprinkler main location.

Q10. New exhaust fan EF-1 requires a new roof curb to be flashed. Please provide information regarding the composition of the existing roof system.

A10. FIRESTONE TPO Flat roof system. ISM 95+ GL Insulation will be 2 layers, R15 rating each layer for a full R-Value of R30. Firestone will have a 20-year NDL (No Dollar Limit) warranty through Firestone.

Q11. New exhaust fan EF-1 requires a new roof curb to be flashed. Are there any existing roof warranties that need to be maintained? If so, please provide information regarding the manufacturer, product, and original installer of the roof system.

A11. The roof is new as of Summer 2018 and will require a certified FIRESTONE installer to keep the current 20-year warranty. SYGNOS, Inc. (certify Firestone installer) was the original installer.

Q12. Please confirm the floor slab area to receive the new sink has been approved for core drilling.

A12. The existing slab has not been approved for core drilling. Refer to RFI #A13 for specific investigation procedures.

Q13. Please confirm x-ray or GPR is required to identify in-slab conduits and reinforcement before core drilling.

A13. Either X-Ray or GPR will be required to identify items embedded in the existing concrete slab. Contractor to also verify under-slab items are clear of the proposed core-drill area in the crawl space.