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ADDENDUM NO. 1

May 11, 2023

Title: Histology Services

RFP # H23-0030

1. General

This addendum revises RFP documents. This addendum is issued to respondents of record prior to execution of contract and forms a part of contract documents and modifies previously issued documents. Insofar as previously issued contract documents are inconsistent with modifications indicated by this addendum, modifications indicated by this addendum shall govern. Where any part of the contract documents are modified by this addendum, all unaltered provisions shall remain in effect.

2. Addendum Acknowledgement Form

Acknowledge receipt of this addendum in the space provided on the Addendum Acknowledgement Form. Proposers must include the signed form with their response. Failure to do so will subject Proposers to disqualification.

3. Changes and Clarifications

Response to Vendor Questions received on or before 5/05/23

4. Attachments

The following Attachments are included electronically to this RFP.

Proposer(s) may access the following attachments by 1) download and save this RFP file to a local drive and 2) open the RFP document using Adobe application, 3) expand the navigation pane (left of window) and click on the paper-clip icon.

1. Attachment A – TEST MENU

Responses to Vendor Questions

	Section of the RFP	Question	CCHHS Response
1	Stroger RFP Copy of Pricing Sheet; Histology Fees Tab; Line 1.11	The description of the test "PCR" is a methodology; please provide the test description, specimen source, and reporting component for the PCR testing needed.	Yes, PCR is a methodology. The entry "PCR" was intended to capture various tests utilizing this methodology that would be required to be performed on formalin-fixed paraffin-embedded tissue. We would be interested in seeing the PCR testing menu available from the vendor.
2	Stroger RFP Copy of Pricing Sheet; Histology Fees Tab; Line 1.01	Please confirm that the CPT code for Processing & Staining of biopsy specimens is correct and if so, please define what - 07 means in this context	The number 88300-07 under CPT code was intended to reflect the range of complexity of specimens that would require processing and staining – (88300 thru 88307); however, this should be revised to 88302 thru 88323 (88302, 88304, 88305, 88307, 88309, 88323), since 88300 specimens are not processed for histologic evaluation. 88323 is included since we occasionally receive consult cases with tissue that requires processing or a tissue block that requires re-processing.
3	Stroger RFP Copy of Pricing Sheet; Histology Fees Tab; Line 1.06	Please confirm if Immunohistology stains are for special stains or IHC stains.	Histochemical stains (Special stain) Immunohistochemistry – IHC stains
4	Stroger RFP Copy of Pricing Sheet; Histology Fees Tab; Line 1.12	Please provide specific FISH probes for this line item.	EBER, Kappa and Lambda- menu attached
5	Stroger RFP Copy of Pricing Sheet; Histology Fees Tab; Lines 1.04 and 1.05	Please clarify why PR Interpretations and ER/PR Interpretations would be needed if they will be returned to Proposer to be read.	We utilize ER and PR in-house primarily for diagnostic interpretation and characterization of a tumor; the interpretation of ER and PR as prognostic markers for breast carcinoma are performed at a reference laboratory
6	Stroger RFP Copy of Pricing Sheet; Service Tab	Please define what "Type" in column B and "Unit of Measure" in column D is and what needs to be populated for each column.	This tab of the pricing sheet is not necessary, please ignore.
7	RFP - H23-0030 Histology; Section 6	"We ask the following: - Will specimens be grossed and processed prior to sending to the proposer's lab? - Please provide a stain/IHC menu"	Yes, Test menu attached

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8	Stroger RFP - H23-0030 Histology; Section 6.5	Does the current vendor pick-up (four) 4x per day, Monday - Friday?	Yes, that will be for Stroger and Provident Hospital. In addition, one time delivery and one time pick up must be on Saturday.
9	Stroger RFP - H23-0030 Histology; Section 8.7	Would CCH accept a link to the financial statements in lieu of providing a hard copy of two years of annual reports (100+ pages)?	Yes

ADDENDUM ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM

As required by the RFP, Proposers must submit this acknowledgement form with their response. One acknowledgement form per response, listing all addenda, is appropriate.

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Representative's Name: _____

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Date: _____

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