

**STATE OF WASHINGTON**

**DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES**

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DATE: September 5, 2023

TO: RFP# 2334-831 Bidders

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DSHS Central Contracts and Legal Services

SUBJECT: Amendment No. 01 – Bidder’s Q & A

DSHS amends the RFP# 2334-831 procurement document to include:

* Bidder’s Questions and Answers

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**Question #1:** Will you accept experience with setting Medicare rates in lieu of experience setting PACE rates, given the hybrid nature of the PACE program?

**A:** We will not accept experience with setting Medicare rates in lieu of experience setting PACE rates.

**Question #2:** The RFP states that “DSHS has budgeted an amount not to exceed $1,500,000.00 for this Project.” Is this the total budget for the project as a whole, or the amount allocated for each project year?

**A:** Funding is for the project as a whole.

**Question #3:** Can DSHS disclose the name of the current vendor?

**A:** Milliman Inc.

**Question #4:** Can DSHS provide the contract with the current vendor?

**A:** The attachment A sample contract that is included in the solicitation document is the generic version of the contract that we have with the vendor.

**Question #5:** Can DSHS provide the most recent PACE methodology letter?

1. DSHS wants you to provide your PACE rate methodology that your organization would use if selected.

**Question #6:** Are bidders required to submit an overall cost estimate, or just our hourly rates by staff as outlined in the sample contract? We would like more clarity on the expectations on the cost proposal component of the RFP.

**A:** Please provide the hourly rates by staff.

**All other terms and conditions in this Solicitation remain the same.**