



DARLINGTON COUNTY PROCUREMENT

March 21, 2017

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS:

RFP Inmate Medical Services 01-03-30-2017

Darlington County staffs have answered the questions below to the best of our ability realizing that the administration for the Sheriff's office has recently changed.

Answers are in **Red**

1. Does the County house for any other entity – other County, Federal, ICE? **The Darlington Detention Center house for County and Federal agencies. We only house for ICE when someone is arrested and in violation of immigration laws.**
2. Does the County intend to seek accreditation during the term of the vendor's contract? **We are working on getting programs in place to strive towards accreditation soon.**
3. Can the County provide the number of Inpatient Hospitalizations in the past year? **We have had two inpatient hospitalizations in the past year and they were presentence.**
4. Can the County provide the number of sick calls seen by medical staff each month, for the past year? **150 monthly and 1,800 for the year**
5. Can the County provide the number of patients seen by the Provider on-site each month, for the past year? **150 monthly and 1,800 for the year**
6. Can the County provide the average number of bookings per month in 2016, and 2017?

1/1/16 – 12/31/16	1/1/17 – 3/17/17
Male Average: 137.71	Male Average: 117.70
Female Average: 25.54	Female Average: 20.86
Days Average: 366	Days Average: 76



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7. Can the County provide an equipment list for the medical department/unit/office which will be made available to the vendor? **The County only owns an Otoscope, desk, file cabinet and computer in the office**
8. Does the County medical unit area have wi-fi access? **There is no wifi in that area.**
9. Does the County have any specialty contracts in place with outside providers, outside of the current provider? **There are no outside providers.**
10. Is the suggested staffing found in the RFP the current staffing model that the jail uses? **This is just a suggested staffing.**
11. Please see page 5 of 13 RFP 01-03-30-2017 paragraph regarding limitations. Unable to locate reference to the proposal section where limits are explained. **Each line item should be assigned who is responsible for payment. If the proposer is to pay with limitation, then please explain in your proposal.**
12. How will the proposal be rated and by whom? – **Page 2 Criteria Process Criteria Process**
The criteria evaluation of this RFP will be made using the following process:
 1. **In order to be initially selected, the Proposer(s) must meet the "Minimum Qualifications of the Proposers" as included in this RFP, and their proposal must satisfy both the "Mandatory Requirements For All Proposals" and the "Objectives of the RFP", also contained in this RFP.**
 2. **After the conditions outlined in #1 are met, Proposer(s) will be ranked based on the quality of the response to this RFP, experience in jails of like size and complexity, price, and references.**
 3. **One or more of the Proposers may be invited to make oral presentations to a selection committee to answer questions.**
 4. **Any and all exceptions taken by the Proposer must be listed and prominently displayed in proposal materials.**

If a final award is made, such award will be made to the Proposer who meets the above stated selection sequences and is evaluated best able to provide a health care delivery system at the Darlington County Detention Center. The County reserves the right to award the bid to the Proposer who best fits the needs of the County at the best value.



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13. Is there a committee and if so who is on said committee? **There will be an evaluation committee, members of the committee is disclosed information.**
14. When will the RFP be rewarded? **All bids/proposal are review to ensure that the specification required in the bid/proposal package has been satisfied. A notification of award will not be issued until County Council's has approved and the expiration period for protest has been met. Darlington County awards to the vendor of the lowest priced, best value, responsible/responsive bidders that meets requirements determine by the County.**
15. Item 1 under "MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS FOR ALL PROPOSERS" on p. 3 of the RFP states that the Proposer must have at least one active contract in South Carolina. Will you accept a bid from a provider who does not currently have an active contract in South Carolina, but has more than ten active contracts in neighboring Georgia and North Carolina? **No must have one contact within South Carolina**
16. Can you provide a copy of your current health services contract and any amendments? **Yes see attached**
17. Could you please share the cost of this contract for each of the last two years? **Yes, the cost is listed in the current contract it has not changed in two years.**
18. What was the amount spent for offsite costs (hospitalization, outpatient, specialty services) for each of the last two years? **Undetermined**
19. Are there any shared cost arrangements or annual caps in place with your current health services contract, and if so, what are they? **Our current contract agreement.**
20. Have you exceeded the existing caps (if in place) during any of the past two years, and if so, by how much? **No**
21. Has the County successfully negotiated any discounted financial agreements/rates (e.g. Indigent, Medicaid, Medicare, etc.) with off-site providers? If so, please disclose what rates have been negotiated with each provider. **There are no offsite providers.**
22. Are inmates charged a co-pay for medication, sick calls/doctors' visits? If so, how much are the co-pay amounts? How is the inmate co-pay system currently managed? **There are no co-pay for medication or sick calls.**
23. Can the county provide statistics for the past two years for the items described on pp. 9-10 of the RFP under "Monthly Statistics?"



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24. Please provide a census of any and all contracted inmates to include Federal inmates, US Marshall inmates, ICE/Immigration inmates, neighboring County inmates and/or any other contracted inmates the County has held over the past two years? **There are two state inmates and six federal inmates currently in the facility.**
25. What is your projected inmate population for the next three years? **The facility can house the capacity of 277 inmates at this time.**
26. Please provide the County's plans for any facility expansions, if any. **None**
27. What has been the County's census for pregnant females each of the past two years? What is the average length of stay for this population? **There has been an average of three in the past two years. The length of stay depends on the charge and the sentencing of the individual.**
28. Is the County's infirmary appropriately set-up to provide basic OB/GYN programs and services on-site? When possible, does the County/court system work well with the County to release these inmates as appropriate? **This facility does not have an infirmary.**
29. Please explain the County's detention officers' role in assisting with the management of inmate medical, mental and ancillary healthcare programs and services. **Our officers are trained to assist in emergency cases only. They do not provide any medical services or health care programs.**
30. Would the County like the Proposer to administer flu and/or Hepatitis B vaccinations to inmates and County employees, and if so how many are projected annually, and does the County bear the cost and provide the serum? **We have an outside provider that furnishes this for our employees.**
31. On average, how many TB skin tests for employees and detainees should be considered on an annual basis? Does the County bear the cost and provide the serum? **We have an average of 54 employees that take the test for pre-employment. The inmates that work in the kitchen obtain their test through the onside medical provider.**
32. Would the County like the Proposer to provide pre-employment drug screens on prospective County employees and/or volunteers on an annual basis? If so, how many should be considered? **No**
33. Do the hospitals currently provide any clinics? **No**
34. Is there a methadone program? If so, please describe. **No**



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35. Does the county health department provide any services to inmates? If so, please describe. **Hope Health in Florence SC provide HIV testing once a month.**
36. Please provide a listing of all medical equipment onsite that will be available for use by the Proposer, including when it was acquired. **There is only an Otoscope on site that belongs to the Detention Center.**
37. Please list any office equipment (computers, laptops, printers, etc.) that will be available for use by the Proposer, including when it was acquired. **There is a desk, computer and printer that belong to the Detention Center.**
38. Are there currently any vacant positions among healthcare staff? If so, what positions, and how long have they been open? **There are no current vacant positions open.**
39. Are nursing agency/temporary services being used by your current provider? If so, how often? **No**
40. Are there currently any vacant positions among healthcare staff? If so, what positions, and how long have they been open? **None**
41. Does your facility currently use an electronic prescription order entry and eMAR system, and if so, what is the name of the system? **None**
42. Please describe the internet and wifi accessibility for healthcare staff in your facility. **There is no wifi service at the Detention Center.**
43. What hours are behavioral health services onsite? Do they have on-call providers that the medical staff contacts? **Behavioral Health Services come on site for an average of 8 hours a week. Our medical has an on-call provider that the medical staff can contact in an emergency.**
44. Are inmates currently given forced or involuntary psychiatric medications when they're a danger to self or others as a result of a psychiatric disease, disorder, or illness? **There are no forced medications given on site at our facility.**
45. Does the County coordinate with any locally based community-based providers to assist with your mental health population? If so, who are these providers? **None**
46. Who currently provides onsite pharmacy inspections and how often? **We do not have a pharmacy at our facility. Our inmates are self prescribed.**



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47. Do you allow family members to provide medications and do you have a Keep On Person policy? **Yes**
48. Do you currently receive credit for returned medications? **No**
49. How much was spent on (1) all medications, (2) HIV medications and (3) psychotropic medications for each of the last two years? **Undetermined**
50. Please provide the top 25 most frequently prescribed non-over-the-counter pharmaceuticals. **We don't house any over the counter medication.**
51. How often are medication passes conducted each day? Are they conducted at the inmate's cell side or are the inmates brought to the pill window? **We have medical call three times a day and it is done either at the medical site or in the cell block.**
52. Who is the current dialysis provider? How many dialysis patients did you have in each of the past two years? **We do not have a dialysis provider. There are currently no patients on dialysis.**
53. Which diagnostic/x-ray provider does the County currently use for diagnostic/x-ray services? How often are they on-site? What's the annual cost for diagnostic/x-ray services? **We have no x-ray service and Carolina Pines provide those services as needed.**
54. Which laboratory provider does the County currently use for lab services? How often are they on-site? What's the annual cost for lab services? **Current Vendor**
55. Which medical waste provider does the County currently use? How often are they on-site? What's the annual cost for medical waste services? **Our current medical provider does this.**
56. What ambulance service is currently used? **County Ambulance Service**