



**RFP #090925**  
**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**  
**for**  
**Medical Supply Solutions**

**Proposal Due Date: September 9, 2025, 4:30 p.m., Central Time**

Sourcewell, a State of Minnesota local government unit and service cooperative, is requesting proposals for Medical Supply Solutions to result in a procurement solution for use by its Participating Entities. Sourcewell Participating Entities include thousands of governmental, higher education, K-12 education, nonprofit, tribal government, and other public agencies located in the United States and Canada. A full copy of the Request for Proposals can be found on the Sourcewell Procurement Portal [<https://proportal.sourcewell-mn.gov>]. Only proposals submitted through the Sourcewell Procurement Portal will be considered. Proposals are due no later than September 9, 2025, at 4:30 p.m. Central Time, and late proposals will not be considered.

**SOLICITATION SCHEDULE**

Public Notice of RFP Published:	July 22, 2025
Pre-proposal Conference:	August 19, 2025, 2:00 p.m., Central Time
Question Submission Deadline:	September 1, 2025, 4:30 p.m., Central Time
<b>Proposal Due Date:</b>	<b>September 9, 2025, 4:30 p.m., Central Time</b> Late responses will not be considered.
Opening:	September 9, 2025, 4:30 p.m., Central Time See RFP Section V.G. "Opening"

## I. ABOUT SOURCEWELL

### A. SOURCEWELL

Sourcewell is a State of Minnesota local government unit and service cooperative created under the laws of the State of Minnesota (Minnesota Statutes Section 123A.21) that facilitates a competitive public solicitation and master agreement award process for the benefit of its 50,000+ participating entities across the United States and Canada. Sourcewell's solicitation process complies with State of Minnesota law and policies, conforms to Canadian trade agreements (including Canadian Free Trade Agreement, Ontario-Quebec Trade and Cooperation Agreement, and Canada-European Union Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement, as applicable), and results in cooperative purchasing solutions from which Sourcewell's Participating Entities procure equipment, products, and services.

Cooperative purchasing provides participating entities and suppliers increased administrative efficiencies and the power of combined purchasing volume that result in overall cost savings. At times, Sourcewell also partners with other purchasing cooperatives to combine the purchasing volume of their membership into a single solicitation and master agreement expanding the reach of awarded suppliers' potential pool of end users.

Sourcewell uses a website-based platform, the Sourcewell Procurement Portal, through which all proposals to this RFP must be submitted.

### B. USE OF RESULTING MASTER AGREEMENTS

In the United States, Sourcewell's master agreements are available for use by:

- Federal and state government entities<sup>1</sup>;
- Cities, towns, and counties/parishes;
- Education service cooperatives;
- K-12 and higher education entities;
- Tribal government entities;
- Some nonprofit entities; and
- Other public entities.

The following entities are listed in this solicitation to satisfy the procurement requirements of Oregon, Utah, and Virginia [[Political Subdivision List - Oregon, Utah, and Virginia](#)].

In Canada, Sourcewell's master agreements are available for use by current and future members including:

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<sup>1</sup> Pursuant to HAR §3-128-2, the State of Hawaii, Department of Accounting and General Services, State Procurement Office, on behalf of the State of Hawaii and participating jurisdictions, has provided notice of its Intent to Participate in the solicitation as a participating entity.

- Federal, provincial, and territorial government departments, ministries, agencies, boards, councils, committees, commissions, and similar agencies;
- Indigenous self-governing bodies;
- Regional, local, district, and other forms of municipal government, municipal organizations, school boards, and publicly funded academic, health, and social service entities referred to as MASH sector (this should be construed to include but not be limited to the cities of Calgary, Edmonton, Toronto, Ottawa, and Winnipeg), as well as any corporation or entity owned or controlled by one or more of the preceding entities;
- Crown corporations, government enterprises, and other entities that are owned or controlled by these entities through ownership interest; and
- Canoe procurement group of Canada's current and future members. Canoe members include:
  - Federal, provincial and territorial government departments, ministries, agencies, boards, councils, committees, commissions, and similar agencies;
  - Crown corporations, government enterprises, and other entities that are owned or controlled by these entities through ownership interest;
  - Indigenous self-governing bodies;
  - Airport authorities;
  - Regional, local, district, and other forms of municipal government, municipal organizations, school boards, and publicly funded academic, health, and social service entities referred to as MASH sector (this should be construed to include but not be limited to the cities of Calgary, Edmonton, Toronto, Ottawa, and Winnipeg), as well as any corporation or entity owned or controlled by one or more of the preceding entities; and
  - Canoe procurement group of Canada's current and future partner associations, including Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities, Association of Manitoba Municipalities, Local Authorities Services/Association of Municipalities Ontario, Nova Scotia Federation of Municipalities, Federation of Prince Edward Island Municipalities, Municipalities Newfoundland Labrador, Union of New Brunswick Municipalities, Northwest Territories Association of Communities, Association of Yukon Communities, CivicInfo BC, Association and their current and future members.

For a listing of current United States and Canadian Participating Entities visit Sourcewell's website (note: there is a tab for each country): <https://www.sourcewell-mn.gov/sourcewell-for-vendors/agency-locator>.

Participating Entities typically access master agreements for equipment, products, or services through a purchase order issued directly to the awarded supplier. A Participating Entity may request additional terms or conditions related to a purchase. Use of Sourcewell master agreements is voluntary and Participating Entities retain the right to obtain similar equipment, products, or services from other sources.

To meet Participating Entities' needs, Sourcewell broadly publishes public notice of all solicitation opportunities, including this RFP. In addition, where applicable, other purchasing cooperatives and procurement officials receive notice and are encouraged to re-post the solicitation opportunity.

Proof of publication will be available at the conclusion of the solicitation process.

### C. INTERGOVERNMENTAL SUPPORT AGREEMENTS

Pursuant to 10 U.S.C. § 2679, United States Department of Defense authorized installations may access Sourcewell's awarded cooperative purchasing master agreements through an Intergovernmental Support Agreement with Sourcewell. All transactions completed through this Intergovernmental Support program are directly facilitated by Sourcewell and may be subject to additional terms and conditions.

## II. **SOLICITATION DETAILS**

### A. SOLUTIONS-BASED SOLICITATION

This RFP and contract award process is a solutions-based solicitation; meaning that Sourcewell is seeking equipment, products, or services that meet the general requirements of the scope of this RFP and are commonly desired or are required by law or industry standards.

### B. REQUESTED EQUIPMENT, PRODUCTS, OR SERVICES

It is expected that proposers will offer a wide array of equipment, products, or services at lower prices and with better value than what they would ordinarily offer to a single government entity, school district, or regional cooperative.

1. Sourcewell is seeking proposals from qualified vendors to furnish comprehensive Medical Supply Solutions, encompassing the provision, delivery, and support of medical, surgical, school health, pharmaceutical, emergency preparedness, and related health products and services.

The primary focus of this solicitation is on Medical Supply Solutions, a broad, catalog-style offering of the solutions in subsections 1. a. – g. below. This solicitation should NOT be construed to include “services-only” or “PPE-only” solutions. Proposers shall be able to supply products and services, including, but not limited to:

- a. Single-use and disposable medical supplies and consumables;
- b. School and athletic health supplies;
- c. Medical-grade equipment, diagnostic and treatment devices, and adaptive therapy-related tools;
- d. Pharmaceuticals and controlled substances;

- e. Emergency and disaster response supplies and kits;
- f. Technology, hardware, and software designed for the delivery of solutions described in 1. a. - e. above; and,
- g. Training, consultation, maintenance, kitting and custom packaging solutions, medical waste disposal, and other services related to the offering of solutions described in 1. a. - f. above.

2. This solicitation does not include those equipment, products, or services covered under categories included in master agreements currently maintained by Sourcewell, identified below:

- a. Lab Services and Testing with Related Products and Supplies (RFP #011222);
- b. Facility MRO, Industrial, and Building-Related Supplies and Equipment (RFP #091422);
- c. Critical Care and EMS Equipment (RFP #041823), except for those complementary and directly related to solutions in Section 1. a. – g. above;
- d. Furniture Solutions with Related Accessories and Services (RFP #091423) except for those complementary and directly related to solutions in Section 1. a. – g. above;
- e. Athletic and Physical Education Equipment with Related Supplies (RFP #050924) except for those complementary and directly related to solutions in Section 1. a. – g. above;
- f. HVAC Systems with Related Products and Services (RFP #080824); and,
- g. Janitorial Supplies and Equipment with Related Services (RFP #082724).

Generally, the solutions for Participating Entities are turn-key solutions, providing a combination of equipment, products and services, delivery, and installation to a properly operating status. However, equipment-only or products-only solutions may be appropriate for situations where Participating Entities possess the ability, either in-house or through local third-party contractors, to properly install and bring to operation the equipment or products being proposed.

Sourcewell prefers suppliers that provide a sole source of responsibility for the equipment, products, and services provided under a resulting master agreement. If proposer is including the equipment, products, and services of its subsidiary entities, the proposer must also identify all included subsidiaries in its proposal. If proposer requires the use of distributors, dealers, resellers, or subcontractors to provide the equipment, products, or services, the proposal must address how the equipment, products or services will be provided to Participating Entities, and describe the network of distributors, dealers, resellers, and/or subcontractors that will be available to serve Participating Entities under a resulting master agreement.

Sourcewell encourages suppliers to offer the broadest possible selection of equipment, products, and services being proposed over the largest possible geographic area and to the largest possible cross-section of Sourcewell current and future Participating Entities.

### C. REQUIREMENTS

It is expected that proposers have knowledge of all applicable industry standards, laws, and regulations and possess an ability to market and distribute the equipment, products, or services to Participating Entities.

1. Safety Requirements. All items proposed must comply with current applicable safety or regulatory standards or codes.
2. Deviation from Industry Standard. Deviations from industry standards must be identified with an explanation of how the equipment, products, and services will provide equivalent function, coverage, performance, and/or related services.
3. New Equipment and Products. Proposed equipment and products must be for new, current model; however, proposer may offer certain close-out equipment or products if it is specifically noted in the Pricing proposal.
4. Delivered and operational. Unless clearly noted in the proposal, equipment and products must be delivered to the Participating Entity as operational.
5. Warranty. All equipment, products, supplies, and services must be covered by a warranty that is the industry standard or better.

### D. PROSPECTIVE MASTER AGREEMENT TERM

The term of any resulting master agreement(s) awarded by Sourcewell under this solicitation will be four years. Sourcewell and supplier may agree to up to three additional one-year extensions based on the best interests of Sourcewell and its Participating Entities. Sourcewell retains the right to consider additional extensions beyond seven years as required under exceptional circumstances.

### E. ESTIMATED MASTER AGREEMENT VALUE AND USAGE

Based on past volume of similar master agreements, the estimated annual value of all transactions from master agreements resulting from this RFP are anticipated to be USD 60 Million; therefore, proposers are expected to propose volume pricing. Sourcewell anticipates considerable activity under the master agreement(s) awarded from this RFP; however, sales and sales volume from any resulting master agreement are not guaranteed.

### F. MARKETING PLAN

Proposer's sales force will be the primary source of communication with Participating Entities. The proposer's Marketing Plan should demonstrate proposer's ability to deploy a sales force or dealer network to Participating Entities, as well as proposer's sales and service capabilities. It is expected that proposer will promote and market any master agreement award.

## G. ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS

1. Master agreements will be awarded to proposers able to best meet the need of Participating Entities. Proposers should submit their complete line of equipment, products, or services that are applicable to the scope of this RFP.
2. A proposer may submit only one proposal. If related, affiliated, or subsidiary entities elect to submit separate proposals, rather than a single parent-entity proposal, each such proposal must be prepared independently and without cooperation, collaboration, or collusion.
3. If a proposer works with a consultant on its proposal, the consultant (an individual or company) may not assist any other entity with a proposal for this solicitation.
4. Proposers should include all relevant information in its proposal, since Sourcewell cannot consider information that is not included in the proposal. Sourcewell reserves the right to verify proposer's information and may request clarification from a proposer, including samples of the proposed equipment or products.
5. Depending upon the responses received in a given category, Sourcewell may need to organize responses into subcategories in order to provide the broadest coverage of the requested equipment, products, or services to Participating Entities. Awards may be based on a subcategory.
6. A proposer's documented negative past performance with Sourcewell or its Participating Entities occurring under a previously awarded Sourcewell master agreement may be considered in the evaluation of a proposal.

## III. PRICING

### A. REQUIREMENTS

All proposed pricing must be:

1. Either Line-Item Pricing or Percentage Discount from Catalog Pricing, or a combination of these:
  - a. **Line-item Pricing** is pricing based on each individual product or service. Each line must indicate the proposer's published "List Price," as well as the "Master Agreement Price."
  - b. **Percentage Discount from Catalog or Category** is based on a percentage discount from a catalog or list price, defined as a published Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price (MSRP) for the products or services. Individualized percentage discounts can be applied to any number of defined product groupings. Proposers will be responsible for providing and maintaining current published MSRP with Sourcewell, and this pricing must be included in its proposal and provided throughout the term of any master agreement resulting from this RFP.
2. The proposer's not to exceed price. A not to exceed price is the highest price for which equipment, products, or services may be billed to a Participating Entity. However, it is permissible for suppliers to sell at a price that is lower than the agreed upon price.
3. Stated in U.S. and Canadian dollars (as applicable).

4. Clearly understandable, complete, and fully describe the total cost of acquisition (e.g., the cost of the proposed equipment, products, and services delivered and operational for its intended purpose in the Participating Entity's location).

Proposers should clearly identify any costs that are NOT included in the proposed product or service pricing. This may include items such as installation, set up, mandatory training, or initial inspection. Include identification of any parties that impose such costs and their relationship to the proposer. Additionally, proposers should clearly describe any unique distribution and/or delivery methods or options offered in the proposal.

#### **B. ADMINISTRATIVE FEES**

Proposers awarded a master agreement are expected to pay to Sourcewell an administrative fee in exchange for Sourcewell facilitating the resulting master agreements. The administrative fee is normally calculated as a percentage of the total sales to Participating Entities for all equipment, products, or services made during a calendar quarter, and is typically one percent (1%) to two percent (2%). In some categories, a flat fee may be an acceptable alternative.

### **IV. MASTER AGREEMENT**

Proposers awarded a master agreement will be required to execute a master agreement with Sourcewell (see attached template). Only those modifications the proposer indicates in its proposal will be available for discussion. Much of the language in the Master Agreement reflects Minnesota legal requirements and cannot be altered. Numerous and/or onerous exceptions that contradict Minnesota law may result in the proposal being disqualified from further review and evaluation.

To identify any exception, or to request any modification, to Sourcewell's standard master agreement terms, conditions, or specifications, a proposer must submit the proposed exception(s) or requested modification(s) via redline in the Master Agreement Template provided in the "Documents" section of the "Bid Details" page on the Sourcewell Procurement Portal and uploaded as part of its response. Only those exceptions noted at the time of the proposal submission will be considered.

Exceptions must:

1. Clearly identify the affected article and section.
2. Clearly note the requested modification; and as applicable, provide requested alternative language.

Unclear requests will be automatically denied.

Only those exceptions that have been accepted by Sourcewell will be included in the master agreement document provided to the awarded supplier for signature.



If a proposer receives a master agreement award resulting from this solicitation it will have up to 30 days to sign and return the master agreement. After that time, at Sourcewell's sole discretion, the master agreement award may be revoked.

## **V. RFP PROCESS**

### **A. PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE**

Sourcewell will hold an optional, non-mandatory pre-proposal conference via webcast on the date and time noted in the Solicitation Schedule for this RFP and on the Sourcewell Procurement Portal. The purpose of this conference is to allow potential proposers to ask questions regarding this RFP and Sourcewell's competitive procurement process. Information about the webcast will be sent to all entities that have registered for this solicitation opportunity through their Sourcewell Procurement Portal Vendor Account. Pre-proposal conference attendance is optional.

### **B. QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS RFP AND ORAL COMMUNICATION**

All questions regarding this RFP must be submitted through the Sourcewell Procurement Portal. The deadline for submission of questions is found in the Solicitation Schedule and on the Sourcewell Procurement Portal. Answers to questions will be issued through an addendum to this RFP. Repetitive questions will be summarized into a single answer and identifying information will be removed from the submitted questions.

All questions, whether specific to a proposer or generally related to the RFP, must be submitted using this process. Do not contact individual Sourcewell staff to ask questions or request information as this may disqualify the proposer from responding to this RFP. Sourcewell will not respond to questions submitted after the deadline.

### **C. ADDENDA**

Sourcewell may modify this RFP at any time prior to the proposal due date by issuing an addendum. Addenda issued by Sourcewell become a part of the RFP and will be delivered to potential proposers through the Sourcewell Procurement Portal. Sourcewell accepts no liability in connection with the delivery of any addenda.

Before a proposal will be accepted through the Sourcewell Procurement Portal, all addenda, if any, must be acknowledged by the proposer by checking the box for each addendum. It is the responsibility of the proposer to check for any addenda that may have been issued up to the solicitation due date and time.

If an addendum is issued after a proposer submitted its proposal, the Sourcewell Procurement Portal will WITHDRAW the submission and change the proposer's proposal status to INCOMPLETE. The proposer can view this status change in the "MY BIDS" section of the

Sourcewell Procurement Portal Vendor Account. The proposer is solely responsible to check the “MY BIDS” section of the Sourcewell Procurement Portal Vendor Account periodically after submitting its proposal (and up to the Proposal Due Date). If the proposer’s proposal status has changed to INCOMPLETE, the proposer is solely responsible to:

1. Make any required adjustments to its proposal;
2. Acknowledge the addenda; and
3. Ensure the re-submitted proposal is received through the Sourcewell Procurement Portal no later than the Proposal Due Date and time shown in the Solicitation Schedule above.

#### D. PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

Proposer’s complete proposal must be submitted through the Sourcewell Procurement Portal no later than the date and time specified in the Solicitation Schedule. Any other form of proposal submission, whether electronic, paper, or otherwise, will not be considered by Sourcewell. **Late proposals will not be considered.** It is the proposer’s sole responsibility to ensure that the proposal is received on time.

It is recommended that proposers allow sufficient time to upload the proposal and to resolve any issues that may arise. The time and date that a proposal is received by Sourcewell is solely determined by the Sourcewell Procurement Portal web clock.

In the event of problems with the Sourcewell Procurement Portal, follow the instructions for technical support posted in the portal. It may take up to 24 hours to respond to certain issues.

Upon successful submission of a proposal, the Sourcewell Procurement Portal will automatically generate a confirmation email to the proposer. If the proposer does not receive a confirmation email, contact Sourcewell’s support provider at [support@bidsandtenders.ca](mailto:support@bidsandtenders.ca).

To ensure receipt of the latest information and updates via email regarding this solicitation, or if the proposer has obtained this solicitation document from a third party, the onus is on the proposer to create a Sourcewell Procurement Portal Vendor Account and register for this solicitation opportunity.

Within the Sourcewell Procurement Portal, all proposals must be digitally acknowledged by an authorized representative of the proposer attesting that the information contained in the proposal is true and accurate. By submitting a proposal, proposer warrants that the information provided is true, correct, and reliable for purposes of evaluation for potential master agreement award. The submission of inaccurate, misleading, or false information is grounds for disqualification from a master agreement award and may subject the proposer to remedies available by law.

#### E. GENERAL PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS

Proposals must be:

1. In substantial compliance with the requirements of this RFP or it will be considered nonresponsive and be rejected.
2. Complete. A proposal will be rejected if it is conditional or incomplete.
3. Submitted in English.
4. Valid and irrevocable for 150 days following the Proposal Due Date.

Any and all costs incurred in responding to this RFP will be borne by the proposer.

#### F. PROPOSAL WITHDRAWAL

Prior to the proposal deadline, a proposer may withdraw its proposal.

#### G. OPENING

The Opening of proposals will be conducted in the Sourcewell Procurement Portal immediately following the proposal due date and time. To view the list of proposers resulting from the opening, verify that the Sourcewell Procurement Portal opportunities list search is set to “All” or “Closed.”

Members of the public may attend the Opening at Sourcewell’s office located at 202 12th Street NE, Staples, MN to hear the results.

### **VI. EVALUATION AND AWARD**

#### A. EVALUATION

It is the intent of Sourcewell to award one or more master agreements to responsive and responsible proposers offering the best overall quality, selection of equipment, products, and services, and price that meet the commonly requested specifications of Sourcewell and its Participating Entities. The award(s) will be limited to the number of proposers that Sourcewell determines is necessary to meet the needs of its Participating Entities.

Factors to be considered in determining the number of master agreements to be awarded in any category may include the following:

1. Total evaluation scores (giving consideration to natural breaks in the scoring of responsive proposals);
2. The number and geographic location of highest-scoring proposers that offer:
  - a. A comprehensive selection of the requested equipment, products, or services;
  - b. A sales and service network ensuring availability and coverage for Participating Entities’ use; and

- c. Other attributes of the proposer or contents of its proposal that assist Participating Entities in achieving environmental and social requirements, and goals.

Information submitted as part of a proposal should be as specific as possible when responding to the RFP. Do not assume Sourcewell has any knowledge about a specific supplier or product.

**B. AWARD(S)**

Award(s) will be made to the highest-scoring proposer(s) whose proposal conforms to all conditions and requirements of the RFP, and consistent with the award criteria defined in this RFP.

Sourcewell may request written clarification of a proposal at any time during the evaluation process.

Proposal evaluation will be based on the following scoring criteria and the Sourcewell Evaluator Scoring Guide (a copy is available in the Sourcewell Procurement Portal):

Conformance to RFP Requirements	Pass/Fail
Financial Viability and Marketplace Success	50
Ability to Sell and Deliver Solutions	150
Marketing Plan	100
Value Added Attributes	100
Depth and Breadth of Offered Solutions	200
Pricing	400
<b>TOTAL POINTS</b>	<b>1000</b>

**C. PROTESTS OF AWARDS**

Any protest made under this RFP by a proposer must be in writing, addressed to Sourcewell's Executive Director, and delivered to the Sourcewell office located at 202 12th Street NE, P.O. Box 219, Staples, MN 56479. All documents that comprise the complete protest package must be received, and time stamped at the Sourcewell office by 4:30 p.m., Central Time, no later than 10 calendar days following Sourcewell's notice of master agreement award(s) or non-award. A protest must allege a procedural, technical, or legal defect, with supporting documentation. A protest that merely requests a re-evaluation of a proposal's content will not be entertained.

A protest must include the following items:

- The name, address, and telephone number of the protester;
- Identification of the solicitation by RFP number;
- A precise statement of the relevant facts;
- Identification of the alleged procedural, technical, or legal defect;

- Analysis of the basis for the protest;
- Any additional supporting documentation;
- The original signature of the protester or its representative; and
- Protest bond in the amount of \$20,000 (except where prohibited by law or treaty).

Protests that do not address these elements will not be reviewed.

#### D. RIGHTS RESERVED

This RFP does not commit Sourcewell to award any master agreement, and a proposal may be rejected if it is nonresponsive, conditional, incomplete, conflicting, or misleading. Proposals that contain false statements or do not support an attribute or condition stated by the proposer may be rejected.

Sourcewell reserves the right to:

- Modify or cancel this RFP at any time;
- Reject any and all proposals received;
- Reject proposals that do not comply with the provisions of this RFP;
- Select, for master agreements or for discussion, a proposal other than that with the lowest cost;
- Independently verify any information provided in a proposal;
- Disqualify any proposer that does not meet the requirements of this RFP, is debarred or suspended by the United States or Canada, State of Minnesota, Participating Entity's state or province; has an officer, or other key personnel, who have been charged with a serious crime; or is bankrupt, insolvent, or where bankruptcy or insolvency are a reasonable prospect;
- Waive or modify any informalities, irregularities, or inconsistencies in the proposals received;
- Clarify any part of a proposal and discuss any aspect of the proposal with any proposer; and negotiate with more than one proposer;
- Award a master agreement if only one responsive proposal is received if it is in the best interest of Participating Entities; and
- Award a master agreement to one or more proposers if it is in the best interest of Participating Entities.

#### E. DISPOSITION OF PROPOSALS

**All materials submitted in response to this RFP will become property of Sourcewell and will become public record in accordance with Minnesota Statutes Chapter 13, after negotiations are complete, including pricing and financial data. Sourcewell considers negotiations complete upon execution of a resulting master agreement.**

**Proposers are explicitly cautioned not to submit any data that they consider to be confidential, proprietary, or trade secret, as such data will not be treated as confidential and will be subject to public disclosure in accordance with Minnesota law.**



07/24/2025

Addendum No.1

Solicitation Number: RFP 090925

Solicitation Name: Medical Supply Solutions

Consider the following Question(s) and Answer(s) to be part of the above-titled solicitation documents. The remainder of the documents remain unchanged.

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**Question 1:**

Where can I find the line item listing of required products and the pricing columns?  
Thank you.

**Answer 1:**

Refer to the FAQ, Section II. Requested Equipment, Products, or Services, posted to the [Sourcewell Procurement Portal](#) homepage under Resource Materials.

Sourcewell utilizes a competitive, solutions-based solicitation approach that is NOT based on detailed specifications or specific opportunities. A proposer can propose all offerings that fall within the requested equipment, products, or services as described in II. Solicitation Details. B. Requested Equipment, Products, or Services within the RFP.

All documents pertaining to the solicitation have been posted to the Sourcewell Procurement Portal. The RFP outlines the scope of work, pricing models, etc. Some materials **will be** proposer generated.

**Question 2:**

Can you provide the past awarded bid tabulation.

**Answer 2:**

Contract documentation, including bid tabulation, for past solicitations is maintained on the Sourcewell website. Proposers can search for the past RFP #022422 by entering the six-digit RFP number into the search box on the [Sourcewell](#) website. Click on a current awarded supplier, click the Documents navigation tab, and open the Proposal Evaluation (bid tabulation).

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End of Addendum

Acknowledgement of this Addendum to RFP 090925, posted to the Sourcewell Procurement Portal on 07/24/2025, is required at the time of proposal submittal.





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Addendum No.2

Solicitation Number: RFP 090925

Solicitation Name: Medical Supply Solutions

Consider the following Question(s) and Answer(s) to be part of the above-titled solicitation documents. The remainder of the documents remain unchanged.

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**Question 1:**

What is the specific product category with line items? it only says medical supplies?

**Answer 1:**

Refer to Answer 1 of Addendum No.1.

**Question 2:**

Hi there, I'm trying to understand how this contract would be used- is it meant for government agencies like schools or hospitals to purchase items for their own use in their facility or is this meant for end users in their homes to obtain medical supply solutions? thanks!

**Answer 2:**

Refer to the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) Guide, Section V. Participating Entities, posted to the [Sourcewell Procurement Portal](#), as well as RFP Section I.B. Use of Resulting Master Agreements.

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End of Addendum

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08/07/2025

Addendum No.3

Solicitation Number: RFP 090925

Solicitation Name: Medical Supply Solutions

Consider the following Question(s) and Answer(s) to be part of the above-titled solicitation documents. The remainder of the documents remain unchanged.

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**Question 1:**

Can a bid be submitted specifically for the PPE portion of the contract?

**Answer 1:**

Refer to Section II. B. 1. of the RFP for information specifically regarding “PPE-only” solutions, and to the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) Guide, Section II. Requested Equipment, Products, or Services, posted to the [Sourcewell Procurement Portal](#).

**Question 2:**

We noticed that there are 3 other Medical Supply Solutions RFQs which are very similar to this one but references the states of Washington, New York, and Hawaii. Is this to be interpreted as 1 RFQ and submitted only once, to be used by multiple states or should this be 4 individual submissions?

**Answer 2:**

Sourcewell currently has only one Medical Supply Solutions RFP open. All open Sourcewell solicitations can be found on the [Sourcewell Website](#). Only a single proposal

submission per supplier is required for this RFP. Sourcewell has no jurisdiction over other agencies' RFPs or their subsequent submissions.

For further information regarding Sourcewell's submission process, refer to Section V. D. of the RFP and the FAQ, Section I. General, posted to the [Sourcewell Procurement Portal](#).

**Question 3:**

Will a list of companies that downloaded the bid documents be provided?

**Answer 3:**

Sourcewell does not provide a list of suppliers that download bid documents prior to contract execution but will conduct a proposal opening. Refer to the FAQ, Section I. General, posted to the [Sourcewell Procurement Portal](#), for information about Sourcewell's electronic openings.

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End of Addendum

Acknowledgement of this Addendum to RFP 090925, posted to the Sourcewell Procurement Portal on 08/07/2025, is required at the time of proposal submittal.



08/18/2025

Addendum No.4

Solicitation Number: RFP 090925

Solicitation Name: Medical Supply Solutions

Consider the following Question(s) and Answer(s) to be part of the above-titled solicitation documents. The remainder of the documents remain unchanged.

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**Question 1:**

What is the maximum supply lead time from the Purchase Order date?

**Answer 1:**

Sourcewell does not set lead time requirements for proposers. It is left to the discretion of the proposer to describe their ability to sell and deliver the requested equipment, products, or services requested.

**Question 2:**

Considering the contract is valid for 5 years, if there are price changes by manufacturers or due to newly applied rules from authorities in the USA, are we allowed to adjust our prices accordingly during the contract period?

**Answer 2:**

Refer to Master Agreement, Article 2, section 2) Product and Price Change Requirements, for guidance on requests for modifications related to products or services during the term of an awarded agreement.

**Question 3:**

Regarding shipping fees, we intend to calculate shipping charges based on each order's quantity and delivery address separately, and these fees will not be included in our product prices. Is this approach acceptable?

**Answer 3:**

In the competitive process, Sourcewell will not advise a proposer on the content of the proposal. Each proposer, in its discretion, will determine and propose the pricing approach that aligns with their business methods and satisfies all the requirements in RFP Section III. Pricing. Proposals are evaluated based on the criteria stated in the RFP.

**Question 4:**

If we need to request termination of the contract due to internal issues or force majeure, is this permitted? If so, what are the consequences or conditions related to such termination?

**Answer 4:**

Refer to Master Agreement, Article 2, Section 23) Termination for Convenience.

**Question 5:**

We noticed there is no specific product list provided, only general categories. Could you please confirm if there is a particular product list we should follow, or if we should submit products currently in our inventory using our own SKUs?

**Answer 5:**

Sourcewell utilizes a competitive, solutions-based solicitation approach that is **NOT** based on detailed specifications or specific opportunities. A proposer can propose its entire offering that falls within the requested equipment, products, or services as described in RFP section II. B. Requested Equipment, Products, or Services. Sourcewell will not advise a proposer on the content of its proposal.

This question is addressed in the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) guide posted to the [Sourcewell Procurement Portal](#) homepage under Resource Materials.

**Question 6:**

Can we commit to supplying all categories listed in the bid except for controlled substances, as we do not handle them? Would this be considered an acceptable exception to our submission?

**Answer 6:**

Refer to Answer 5.

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End of Addendum

Acknowledgement of this Addendum to RFP 090925, posted to the Sourcewell Procurement Portal on 08/18/2025, is required at the time of proposal submittal.



08/20/2025

Addendum No.5

Solicitation Number: RFP 090925

Solicitation Name: Medical Supply Solutions

Consider the following Question(s) and Answer(s) to be part of the above-titled solicitation documents. The remainder of the documents remain unchanged.

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**Question 1:**

RFP Sec. II, B.2 states that: This solicitation does not include those equipment, products, or services covered under categories included in master agreements currently maintained by Sourcewell, identified below. Please clarify whether the products in these categories are restricted from sale under the agreement.

**Answer 1:**

Yes, this solicitation (RFP #090925) has excluded the categories in current master agreements maintained by Sourcewell as identified in RFP, Section II.B.2.

**Question 2:**

RFP Sec. II, B.2(a): for the category "Lab Services and Testing with Related Products and Supplies," please clarify what is included in "Related Products and Supplies"

**Answer 2:**

Proposers can use the six-digit RFP number to search for the RFP document on the Sourcewell website [<https://www.sourcewell-mn.gov>] to review the categorical scope.



**Question 3:**

RFP Sec. II, B.2(b): for the category “Facility MRO, Industrial, and Building-Related Supplies and Equipment,” please clarify what is included in “Related Supplies and Equipment”

**Answer 3:**

Refer to Answer 2.

**Question 4:**

RFP Sec. II, B.2 (c): for the category “Critical Care and EMS Equipment (RFP #041823), except for those complementary and directly related to solutions in Section 1. a. – g. above,” please clarify what is included in “complementary and directly related to solutions in Section 1. a. – g. above”

**Answer 4:**

Proposers can use the six-digit RFP number to search for the RFP document on the Sourcewell website [<https://www.sourcewell-mn.gov>] to review the categorical scope.

Products and services that are within the scope of the exclusion BUT are complementary and directly related to the current solicitation scope can be included with a proposal submission.

**Question 5:**

RFP Sec. II, B.2 (d): for the category “Furniture Solutions with Related Accessories and Services (RFP #091423) except for those complementary and directly related to solutions in Section 1. a. – g. above,” please clarify what is included in “complementary and directly related to solutions in Section 1. a. – g. above”

**Answer 5:**

Refer to Answer 4.

**Question 6:**

RFP Sec. II, B.2 (e): for the category “Athletic and Physical Education Equipment with Related Supplies (RFP #050924) except for those complementary and directly related to

solutions in Section 1. a. – g. above,” please clarify what is included in “complementary and directly related to solutions in Section 1. a. – g. above”

**Answer 6:**

Refer to Answer 4.

**Question 7:**

RFP Sec. II, B.2 (e) and Sec. II, B.1(b): How does Athletic and Physical Education Equipment (RFP Sec. II, B.2(e)) differ from the included category in Sec. II. B.1(b) “School and athletic health supplies”?

**Answer 7:**

Refer to Answer 2.

**Question 8:**

RFP, Master Agreement, Article 1, Paragraph 16 (Xvii): This section refers to the U.S. Office of General Services. Do you mean the U.S. General Services Administration?

**Answer 8:**

Yes, the reference to the U.S. Office of General Services is the same office as the U.S. General Services Administration.

**Question 9:**

To ensure our proposal is structured in the most effective way to meet Sourcewell’s objectives, could Sourcewell please clarify whether preference in the evaluation process will be given to vendors offering a broad, full-line catalog of medical supply solutions across all categories (Sections 1.a–g), or whether vendors specializing in select categories with highly competitive pricing and service coverage will be equally considered for award?

**Answer 9:**

In the competitive process, Sourcewell will not advise a proposer on the content of the proposal. It is left to the discretion of each proposer to determine how it will best reflect the solutions it provides. Proposals are evaluated based on the criteria stated in the RFP.

**Question 10:**

How will Sourcewell weigh value-added services such as training, consultation, custom packaging, kitting, and medical waste disposal in the overall evaluation compared to core supply categories?

**Answer 10:**

Refer to Answer 9.

**Question 11:**

Does Sourcewell anticipate awarding a single comprehensive master agreement to one supplier, or awarding multiple agreements across different suppliers/subcategories to ensure broad coverage for Participating Entities?

**Answer 11:**

Refer to RFP, VI. Evaluation and Award. "It is the intent of Sourcewell to award one or more master agreements to responsive and responsible proposers offering the best overall quality, selection of equipment, products, and services, and price that meet the commonly requested specifications of Sourcewell and its Participating Entities. The award(s) will be limited to the number of proposers that Sourcewell determines is necessary to meet the needs of its Participating Entities. Award(s) will be made to the highest-scoring proposer(s) whose proposal conforms to all conditions and requirements of the RFP, and consistent with the award criteria defined in this RFP."

**Question 12:**

For the Ability to Sell and Deliver Solutions scoring criteria, will Sourcewell give preference to vendors with a national distribution network, or will strong regional networks be considered equally competitive if they demonstrate reliable coverage?

**Answer 12:**

In the competitive process, Sourcewell will not advise a proposer on the content of the proposal. It is left to the discretion of each proposer to determine the information necessary to best demonstrate their ability to serve Sourcewell's participating entities. Proposals are evaluated based on the criteria stated in the RFP.

**Question 13:**

Regarding Section II.B.1.d, does Sourcwell expect all awarded suppliers to offer pharmaceuticals and controlled substances, or will these be considered optional subcategories for specialized vendors?

**Answer 13:**

In the competitive process, Sourcwell will not advise a proposer on the content of the proposal. It is left to the discretion of each proposer to propose the equipment, products, and services that it deems to fall within Sourcwell's requested equipment, products, or services as described in the RFP. Proposals are evaluated based on the criteria stated in the RFP.

**Question 14:**

Can you tell us more about who you are planning to supply in Canada?

**Answer 14:**

Sourcwell agreements are available to be used by any of our 50,000+ participating entities. Refer to RFP I.B. Use of Resulting Master Agreements to view a list of entity types that can access Sourcwell contracts.

**Question 15:**

Specifically for customers in Canada, how would we handle a situation if we have a direct contract with a customer who happens to be a Sourcwell participating entity?

**Answer 15:**

Per the RFP I.B. Use of Resulting Master Agreements, "Participating Entities typically access master agreements for equipment, products, or services through a purchase order issued directly to the awarded supplier. A Participating Entity may request additional terms or conditions related to a purchase. Use of Sourcwell master agreements is voluntary and Participating Entities retain the right to obtain similar equipment, products, or services from other sources."

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End of Addendum

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