MISSISSIPPI DIVISION OF MEDICAID

MEMORANDUM

From: The Mississippi Division of Medicaid Office of Procurement

Date: June 6, 2023

Re: Request for Applications (RFA) Senior Audit Consultant

Public Notice of Intent to Award

The Mississippi Division of Medicaid (DOM) issued a Request for Applications (RFA) on May 19, 2023, seeking a qualified contract worker for the position of Senior Audit Consultant.

The initial term of the contract shall begin (July 6, 2023 – June 30, 2024) with four (4) optional one- year renewals. The rate of pay shall be \$150.00 per hour (plus travel and fringe rate) not to exceed 1,040 hours annually. The maximum compensation payable for the initial term of the contract shall be \$169,934.00 which includes Salary (\$156,00.00), Fringe rate of 7.65% for employer's annual share of FICA (\$11,934.00), and for work-related Travel as pre-approved by DOM (\$2,000.00). The contract worker will be expected to report to DOM Central Office as required by the Program Integrity Director.

The Senior Audit Consultant will provide the following services for DOM:

- Monitor National health care fraud trends, and work with Office of Program Integrity (OPI) staff to ensure that similar schemes are not being operated in Mississippi.
- Assist OPI staff in the analysis of claims data, and the selection of providers and beneficiaries for investigation.
- Work with OPI staff in the development of audit plans for on-going investigations and consult with the OPI Director regarding the final disposition of cases.
- Investigate complex fraud complaints as assigned by the OPI Director.
- Work with DOM management and the OPI Director in the development of new investigative techniques.
- Aid DOM to meet the Program Integrity functions outlined in 42 CFR Part 455 and Title 23, Part 305, of the Mississippi Administrative Code.
- Provide training to OPI staff regarding health care fraud detection, investigative techniques, and other topics identified by the OPI Director.

After publicly advertising the position, the application and selection process is now complete. DOM received one application for this position and intends to offer the contract to William Root. Mr. Root possesses the experience as a Senior Audit Consultant, that includes over 20 years of investigation experience in Federal and State health care programs along with over five (5) years training others in detection and investigation of fraud, waste, and abuse in health care programs.

DOM intends to submit the contract to the Public Procurement Review Board (PPRB) Office of

Personal Service Contract Review (OPSCR) by Wednesday, June 7, 2023, for approval at the July 5, 2023, board meeting. Pending approval, the contract will be available for public inspection in the office of the Chief Procurement Officer. Any person wishing to inspect the contract may request the opportunity to do so through the Agency's public records request process via rfi@medicaid.ms.gov.