



**PUBLIC NOTICE OF AWARD**  
**Children's Health Insurance Program RFQ #20180831**

The Division of Medicaid (Division) is seeking to contract with an experienced contractor to provide services for statewide administration of the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), a coordinated care program for Mississippi Children that the Division implemented to address the following goals: improving access to needed medical services; improving quality of care and improving efficiency and cost effectiveness. This procurement process provided for the evaluation of qualifications and selection of the best qualifications in accordance with Federal and State laws and regulations. Specifically, this procurement process abided by all appropriate provisions of the Public Procurement Review Board Rules and Regulations. The Division will contract with two Contractors for a contract period beginning February 1, 2019, and ending January 31, 2022; and may have up to two one-year extensions.

In response to the RFQ, the Division received qualifications from the following contractors:

1. Magnolia Health, Jackson, MS
2. Molina Healthcare of Mississippi, Inc., Jackson, MS
3. UnitedHealthcare of Mississippi, Inc. Ridgeland, MS

The Division staff evaluated the qualifications in accordance with comprehensive, fair and impartial evaluation procedures and processes established prior to the opening and evaluation of qualifications and remaining fixed throughout the procurement cycle as defined in Section 6 of the RFQ.

Following completion of the evaluation process, qualifications were ranked based on the total combined technical and management consensus score. The ranking is as follows:

<u>Offeror</u>	<u>Total Score</u>
1. Molina Healthcare of Mississippi, Inc.	81.22
2. UnitedHealthcare of Mississippi, Inc.	78.65
3. Magnolia Health, Jackson, MS	78.22

The two Offerors recommended below received the highest consensus scores. Based on the evaluation results, the Office of Procurement recommends the following contractors for the CHIP contract:

Recommended Contractors:

1. Molina Healthcare of Mississippi, Inc.
2. UnitedHealthcare of Mississippi, Inc.

After a comprehensive evaluation process that stressed fairness, objectivity, and involved multiple phases of evaluation and clarification, Molina Healthcare and UnitedHealthcare emerged as the more favorable Offerors. The CHIP Procurement team is confident that the two Recommended Contractors are the best

candidates to meet the needs of the Mississippi Division of Medicaid for the CHIP program. This recommendation is based upon the two highest combined technical and management scores associated with these contractors, as well as Molina Healthcare's and UnitedHealthcare's expertise and experience implementing similar programs in Mississippi and other states.