

**PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD
Preadmission Screening and Resident Review (PASRR)
Invitation for Bids # 20200515**



MISSISSIPPI DIVISION OF
MEDICAID

The Mississippi Division of Medicaid (DOM) is seeking to establish a contract with a responsible Contractor to provide Preadmission Screening and Resident Review (PASRR) in collaboration with the Mississippi Department of Mental Health (DMH). An Invitation for Bids was issued on May 15, 2020. The closing date to receive bids was July 10, 2020. DOM received sealed bids from the following vendors:

1. Keystone Peer Review Organization, Inc. (KEPRO)
2. Ascend Management Innovations, LLC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Maximus Health Services, Inc. (Maximus)

The public bid opening was held on July 14, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. The initial bids were ranked as follows:

1. Maximus \$4,722,305.24
2. KEPRO \$5,206.201.00

Responsive

DOM procurement staff reviewed each submitted bid to ensure the submitted bids met each requirement to be deemed responsive as set forth in IFB #20200515. The procurement staff determined that both bids received were responsive.

Responsible

DOM Procurement staff reviewed the two (2) bids and determined that both bids met the minimum qualification requirements to be considered responsible bidders.

Ranking of Bids

Following completion of the review process, the qualifying bids were officially ranked based on the lowest, responsive and responsible bid. The ranking is as follows:

1. Maximus \$4,722,305.24
2. KEPRO \$5,206.201.00

Recommendation

Based on the foregoing, Maximus submitted the lowest, responsive and responsible bid. The Office of Procurement recommends that IFB #20200515, the Pre-Admission Screening and Resident Review (PASRR) contract be awarded as follows:

Recommended Contractor: Maximus

Responsibly providing access to quality health coverage for vulnerable Mississippians

Maximus has more than twenty (20) years of collective experience managing preadmission screening and resident review evaluation programs in fifteen (15) states. Maximus is the incumbent contractor for DOM for Preadmission Screening and Resident Review and is poised to provide DOM continuity of quality regarding both contract terms and value.