

New York State Department of Health Wadsworth Center
Request for Information (RFI)
Purchase and Delivery Services
FAU Control Number 1103170510

PURPOSE

The New York State Department of Health has a need for supply chain management support in the Wadsworth Center, the Department's Public Health Testing and Scientific Laboratories. To this end, the Department seeks information from entities that provide or receive any of the following types of services in a scientific laboratory setting:

1. Stockroom – Maintain a stockroom of frequently purchased scientific laboratory items, and provide next day delivery of those items. This stockroom includes both Wadsworth Center owned supplies (including industrial grade alcohol), and contractor owned supplies to be resold to the Wadsworth Center upon request.
2. Prime Catalog – Distribution of over 400,000 scientific laboratory items and equipment, including desktop delivery services, for which the contractor is a direct supplier.
3. Third Party Purchasing Service – Provide purchase services such as the research of potential sources for purchasing, negotiation of pricing, placement of purchases, accounts payable, customer returns and exchanges

BACKGROUND

WC is the research-intensive public health scientific laboratory of NYS DOH. It is committed to protecting and improving the health of New Yorkers through scientific laboratory analysis, investigations and research, as well as scientific laboratory certification and educational programs. WC scientists conduct testing for agents which cause diseases of public health importance, develop rapid, molecular-based tests for detecting pathogens including bio-threat agents, and perform complex, reference-level tests not readily available elsewhere. They also determine the presence and concentration of environmental toxicants, exploring the relationship between exposure and disease. WC's largest testing program screens all the state's newborns for 45 congenital disorders. WC also operates the most comprehensive scientific laboratory licensure program in the country for clinical and environmental laboratories, as well as blood and tissue banks. Additional information describing WC can be found at: <http://www.wadsworth.org>

RESPONSES

If you wish to respond to this RFI, please complete the attached "Purchase and Delivery Service Vendor Information" along with any documentation related to the services described above, including potential solutions. Responses are requested by 4:00 PM Eastern Daylight Savings Time on August 31, 2011. Responses may be sent electronically to: saf04@health.state.ny.us, or by mail to:

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RESULTS

THIS IS NOT A SOLICITATION FOR PROPOSALS. Information gathered from responses to this RFI may be used by the New York State Department of Health at an unspecified future time to develop a request for proposals. The New York State Department of Health is under no obligation to use any information or material submitted in response to this RFI. This RFI is issued solely for informational purposes and does not constitute a procurement or solicitation.