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Subject: RHC HCF Program - FCC Form 461 - Form Approval - HCP# 47639
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Date: 02-May-2016
Program: HCF Program
Funding Year: 2015
Health Care Provider (HCP) Number: 47639
HCP Name: Saint Luke's Cancer Specialists - Butler
FCC Form 461 Application Number: 100013414

The Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC)'s Rural Health Care (RHC) Program has approved and posted the electronically-submitted FCC Form 461 (Request for Services Form) for the HCP referenced above on 02-May-2016 at 09:37 AM.

The FCC Form 461 must be posted on the USAC web site for a minimum of 28 days before the HCP may enter into a service agreement or sign a contract for services. The earliest date that the HCP may enter into a service agreement with the service provider/vendor is called the Allowable Contract Selection Date (ACSD). Based on the information contained in the submitted FCC Form 461, you have elected to post your request for services with USAC for a period of 28 days, making the ACSD for your application 31-May-2016.

If the HCP wishes to extend the competitive bidding period, or make any changes to information contained in the posted FCC Form 461 or supporting documentation (such as the Request for Proposal), contact USAC immediately for assistance. USAC will work with the applicant to modify the posting to reflect the extended competitive bidding period or to post supplemental documents to the USAC website.

FCC rules require the HCP to conduct a "fair and open" competitive bidding process during the posting period, which prohibits service providers/vendors who intend to bid from helping the HCP select winning bids. This prohibition also applies to consultants, other third-party experts, or HCP employees who have an ownership interest, sales commission arrangement, or other financial stake with respect to a bidding service provider/vendor. Fair and open competitive bidding also requires the HCP to make the same information available to all potential bidders, and requires the HCP and bidding service providers/vendors to comply with state or local competitive bidding requirements.

Next Steps

After the posting period, the HCP should evaluate bids using the evaluation criteria entered in Block 5 of its posted FCC Form 461, select a winning bidder, and negotiate a contract or service agreement. Once services and a service provider have been selected, the applicant should complete and submit an FCC Form 462 (Funding Request Form) to USAC, along with all required supporting documentation. RHC cannot process the HCP's Form 462 until all required information has been received. USAC cannot process the applicant's FCC Form 462 until all required information has been received. The applicant has until 30-Jun-2016 to file the FCC Form 462.

For More Information

Please do not reply directly to this email, as emails to this account will not be delivered to the RHC Program team. For questions or assistance, or if this email has been received in error, contact the Rural Health Care Program Help Desk at (800) 453-1546 between 8 AM and 5 PM Monday - Friday or by email at rhc-assist@usac.org.

For more information about the HCF Program application process, refer to the HCF Program Getting Started web page at <http://www.usac.org/rhc/healthcare-connect/getting-started>.

For more information about the FCC Form 461, visit the HCF Program Forms web page at <http://www.usac.org/rhc/healthcare-connect/tools/forms>.

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